

Town of Stockbridge  
Monthly Town Board Minutes  
7:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 14, 2017  
Stockbridge Community Hall

Chairman Ken Schaefer called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Present were Supervisor Connie Loewe, Supervisor Jeff Yelton, Clerk Janene Van Hoorn, Treasurer Ralph Schmid, Town Road Supervisor Jerry Ortlieb and fifteen town residents and guests and a Calumet County Sheriff's Deputy.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Clerk verified that notices were posted.

Connie Loewe made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Jeff Yelton. Motion Carried.

Public Comment: Marvin Woelfel and Dennis Schuh stated they would like the town board to adopt an ordinance to make all town roads ATV routes.

Jeff Yelton a motion to approve the October meeting minutes as printed. Seconded by Connie Loewe. Motion Carried.

Discussion/possible action on 4 wheelers use of town roads: The board discussed the positive and negative aspects of allowing ATV road usage by ordinance. Signage of roads, permitting, safety issues, age of drivers and enforcement were discussed. The consensus of the Board was to explore the issues and to seek advice from the Wisconsin Town Association. A volunteer committee was formed to research issues and laws.

Discussion/possible action regarding water issues on Rockland Beach Road: Schaefer updated the board on ditch issues and DNR permitting requirements. Jerry Ortlieb advised the Board that the ditch work needs to be hired and could be completed this year if the permitting is obtained. The consensus of the Board was to apply for the DNR permit and move forward after the permit is obtained. Jeff Yelton questioned if Winnebago Waterways could assist in a project on Rockland Beach Road. County Board Supervisor Judy Hartl will bring information on Winnebago Waterways to the December board meeting.

Town roads, equipment and buildings discussion: Jerry Ortlieb updated the board on town work. Salt has been delivered and trucks are ready for the winter season. Considerable time has been spent keeping the roads clean from manure hauling and general farm practices.

Discussion/possible action on 5-Year Road Plan: Ortlieb will compile possible projects for the 5-Year Plan using PASER information. The Clerk and Ortlieb will get the list of possible projects to the board within a few days.

Update on Mud Creek Bridge project: Schaefer told the board that the Mud Creek Bridge project is completed.

Discussion/possible action regarding development of a manure hauling ordinance: Calumet County has enacted a Manure Handling Ordinance which has placed more stress on town roads and ditches. Schaefer stated he would like to mirror the county ordinance or develop an ordinance which is tougher than the county ordinance. Discussion on the possibility of licensing or permitting the manure haulers occurred. Issues with road clean-up were discussed.

Fire Truck Purchase: The Stockbridge Fire Department has purchased a truck for delivery in 2018.

Board approval of the 2018 Town of Stockbridge Budget: Jeff Yelton made a motion to approve the 2018 Town of Stockbridge Budget. Seconded by Connie Loewe. Motion Carried.

Discussion/possible action regarding a volunteer request to inventory/digitize town records: The Board consensus was to give their support to this endeavor.

Review correspondence/communications: The Personal Property Assessment Roll was reviewed. Schmid presented information on a tax collection bonds.

The Treasurer's Report was presented. Connie Loewe made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Seconded by Jeff Yelton. Motion Carried.

Connie Loewe made a motion to approve and pay the bills as presented to the board. Seconded by Jeff Yelton. Motion Carried.

Being no further business, Connie Loewe made a motion to adjourn. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jeff Yelton. Meeting adjourned 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janene Van Hoorn, Stockbridge Town Clerk