

Ashippun Town Board Meeting

March 13, 2008

Chairman James Schoenike called the monthly Town of Ashippun board meeting to order on Thursday, March 13, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. Pledge to the flag was given.

The clerk verified that meeting notices were properly given. The clerk announced that notices would no longer be faxed to radio station WTKM due to changes in their news format. Roll call was taken with Chairman James Schoenike, Supervisor David Wendorf, Supervisor Roger Kopfer and Clerk/Treasurer Vickie Schlieve as all being present.

Approval of minutes from February 14, 2008 Town Board meeting – Supervisor Kopfer moved to accept the minutes as printed. Seconded by Supervisor Wendorf. All in favor. Motion carried.

Bill Gergen, candidate for Branch 1 Judge in Dodge County, gave a brief overview on his career and his desire to get votes in the April 1st Spring Election.

Mike Laue and Paul De Vries from MSA Professional Services explained the Roosevelt Road construction project. The application for the Local Road Improvement Fund was approved with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the amount of \$19,000. Starting at State Highway 67, design speeds on Roosevelt Road are 35 mph for approximately the first 1/3 of a mile, then change to 40 mph for approximately the next 1/3 of a mile and then change to 45 mph for approximately the last 1/3 of a mile. Roosevelt Road has been designed to have 12-foot wide travel lanes and 3-foot wide shoulders, which meets the conditions of Town Road Standards found in State Statutes 82.50 (1) (c) for Average Daily Traffic of 100 to 250. The amount of borrow material was decreased on the revisions from the original plans. The estimated cost of this project is now approximately \$900,000. Residents had their questions answered about the project. Chairman Schoenike explained that during this road construction the sanitary lateral would be installed to the Hickory Hills Estates subdivision and to the Hohenwald residence.

Supervisor Kopfer moved to authorize MSA to let bids for the Roosevelt Road project with construction to be done in 2008. Supervisor Wendorf seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Input – None at this time.

Police Report – Officer Ryan Borchardt gave the monthly report.

Clerk Schlieve read the Treasurer's report for February. Motion by Supervisor Wendorf to accept Treasurer's report as read. Seconded by Supervisor Kopfer. All in favor. Motion carried. Clerk Schlieve gave a comparison of gas/diesel/oil usage from 2006 to 2008. In 2006 there was \$5,570; in 2007 there was \$6,800; and in 2008 there was \$10,480 invoices paid for the same timeframe. Clerk Schlieve read the list of bills presented for payment. Motion by Supervisor Kopfer to pay the bills. Seconded by Supervisor Wendorf. All in favor. Motion carried.

Don Christopherson, Building Inspector – The report for February was given.

Larry Krier, Highway Department – Larry reported on some road patching that they are doing.

The March 6, 2008 Planning Commission meeting was canceled because there was no business to conduct.

Unfinished Business: Discussion on forming a Drainage District in the Davy Creek area. There is a possibility that the town could form their own Drainage District and assess the affected residents. There is little possibility of getting state funding for this project.

Discussion on the Ashippun Sanitary District's Conditional Use Permit with Dodge County – Dodge County approved the Conditional Use Permit.

New Business: Discussion of the Dodge County Letter of Intent for Chad Smithyman, N1821 Resthaven Road. The town approved the Letter of Intent in January 2008. The county was looking for a recommendation for their hearing. Supervisor Kopfer moved to have the chairman sign the CSM for Chad Smithyman. Supervisor Wendorf seconded the motion. There is an issue with the driveway that needs to be addressed. All in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible approval to have the chairman sign the CSM for John Rettler, agent for George Hanson, N2189 Cty Rd EE. Chairman Schoenike noted that the surveyor did not have the CSM complete for signature. This item will be on the April agenda for signature.

Discussion and possible action on Town of Ashippun Ordinance violation – Brian Shanklin, Ashippun Recreation Center. Chairman Schoenike reported that several complaints have been received from the Dodge County Sheriff's Department in regards to liquor being served in areas where underage people are unsupervised. Assistant Corporation Counsel from Dodge County emailed her interpretation of the situation and included the Wisconsin Statutes pertaining to the situation. Mr. Shanklin was told that if he didn't have legal patrons drinking alcohol where unsupervised underage patrons were playing games or bowling that he would not receive a citation from the Sheriff's Department.

Correspondence: Clerk Schlieve reported that groups are interested in using the softball diamond in the town. If any other groups are interested they should contact the recreation department, Chairman Schoenike or her. Clerk Schlieve announced that the town hall offices will be closed on Wednesday, March 19th for training that she will be attending. The chairman and supervisors will attend the WTA District meeting on Saturday, March 15th in Jackson. The Horton Group reports that the town will be receiving a dividend of \$414 for worker's compensation. The Jefferson County Farm Bureau will be sharing information on preserving farmland on March 26th at the Watertown Senior Center. Area communities shared information on their Cooperative Boundary Agreement between the Town of Summit and those towns. The town's answering machine has not been working and the clerk will be looking into ways to remedy that situation.

Supervisor Wendorf reported on the Road Maintenance seminar he attended at WCTC.

Public Input: Will Oschmann commented on the Roosevelt Road project. Steve Payne from the Stone Bank Sportsmen's Club announced upcoming events. Ernie Borhardt reported that the Dodge County Highway Supervisor and committee toured the Highway P project and the deterioration of the roadway. Patching will continue until they can decide how to make permanent improvements. Larry Westoff of LW Dairy explained his milk bottling business moving to the old lumber company building.

Supervisor Kopfer moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m. Supervisor Wendorf seconded the motion. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

The next Ashippun town board regular meeting will be held on Thurs., April 10, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. The Town's Annual Meeting will be on Tuesday, April 8, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. at the town hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie Schlieve, Clerk