

TOWN OF WEST POINT

The annual meeting of the Town of West Point was held on Tuesday, April 9, 1996 at 7:30 p.m. at the town hall. The meeting was published and posted in four places. There were 21 people present.

The annual meeting was called to order by Fred Thistle, town chairperson.

The minutes were read from the November 14, 1995 Special Town Meeting. A motion was made by Joan Bader, 2nd by Harry Sawyer - yes 21, no 0 - motion carried.

The financial report for the Town of West Point for 1995 was read by Chairperson Fred Thistle, question were answered. A motion was made by Bill Pratt to approve the financial report, 2nd by Russ Sabac - yes 21, no 0 - motion carried.

A motion was made by Jerry Keller to give Garden Bluff Cemetery \$700.00 donation, 2nd by Dick O'Connor - yes 21, no 0 - motion carried.

A motion was made by Dick O'Connor to give Lodi Fair Association \$250.00 donation, 2nd by Harry Sawyer - Yes -21, No - 0 - motion carried.

A motion was made by Bill Pratt to match Columbia County Highway Matching Funds at approximately \$6,500.00, 2nd by Russ Sabac - yes 21 - no - 0 - motion carried.

Assessor Harry Sawyer as the Town permission to appoint an assessor if he decided to retire. Harry has been the Town of West Point assessor for 45 years. A motion was made by Betty Pratt to appoint a assessor if need be, 2nd by Joan Bader - motion carried.

Harry Sawyer is not a fire warden, so they are looking for some person to be a warden in the West side of town. If any one is interested please contact Ginny Miller on Hwy J. The burning hours are from 6:00 p.m. to Midnight.

There was some problems with our early snow plowing, but Chairperson Fred Thistle has worked out the problems. If the Town of West Point had to do their own plowing it would be very expensive.

There have been complaints of mailbox damage done by snow plows. It was discussed if the Town should pay a replacement fee for all mailboxes damaged. After discussion the people present said not to pay a fee for damaged mailboxes.

Rausch Lane was discussed, the question if the town should purchase land and fix the road to town standards and bill the property owners. There is 18 homes (5 are year around homeowners). Rausch Lane is 7 tenths of a mile, possibility of getting an easement across Cy Dombeck property. There will be more discussion and it was decided to have a public hearing in the summer when all property owners can be present. Also Theresa Lane property owners.

Salaries of the town board, town clerk, town treasurer, and town assessor was presented by Chairperson Fred Thistle. He used the Wisconsin Towns Association formula for what each officer should be receiving. After discussion a motion was made by Merlin Leuhrs to raise the salaries as follows: Chairperson - \$6,000.00, Supervisors - \$4,500.00, Town Clerk - \$12,000.00, Town Treasurer - \$6,000.00 and Town Assessor - \$12,000.00, 2nd by Jim Kirner - Yes - 20 - No - 1, motion carried.

A motion was made by Merlin Leuhrs, 2nd by Jim Kirner to raise per diem (each meeting) to \$25.00 which will include planning commission members - yes 20 - no 1 - motion carried.

The transfer site attendant is doing a very good job. In the future we may need to have 2 people working to watch the recycling and we may need to go to clear bags.

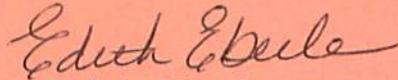
The town roads will be swept to remove the sand to the shoulder of the roads in the near future.

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The ferry/bridge will have a decision made this summer. The Town of Merrimac is neutral as is the Town of West Point, and the Town of Lodi withdrew the support of the bridge.

The special town meeting was set for November 12, 1996 at 7:30 p.m. at the West Point town hall.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Jim Schwarz, 2nd by Jerry Keller - Yes 21, No - 0 motion carried.



Edith Eberle
Town Clerk