

TOWN OF WEST POINT

Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.84, the Town Board of the Town of West Point held their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, April 6th, 2000 at 7:30 p.m. at the West Point town hall. The meeting was published in the Lodi Enterprise and the Sauk Prairie Star and posted in three places.

The town board members present were: Fred Thistle-Chairperson, and Robert Davis-2nd Supervisor. Also present was Edith Eberle-Town Clerk and Joan Bader-Town Treasurer. Absent was Alan Treinen-1st Supervisor.

The minutes from the March 2nd, 2000 meeting had been given to the town board members prior to the meeting. A few typing mistakes were corrected. A motion was made by Robert Davis to approve the minutes with corrections, 2nd by Fred Thistle Davis – motion carried.

Treasurer's Report was given by Joan Bader as follows: General account \$167,853.12 and Park Fund as \$74,548.91. The town treasurer and the town clerk balanced their February books with the bank statement. A motion was made by Robert Davis to approve the treasurer report, 2nd by Fred Thistle – motion carried.

Correspondence – The variance for Jeffrey Sieburg was approved by Columbia County, the following conditional use permits were approved: Payne & Dolan for the Donald & Sharon Kruchten property, Yahara Materials for the David & Diana Padley property, the James Ballweg property and the Thomas and Nancy Bannan property. A letter from UW Extension on Board of Review Videotape session.

A copy of the bills had been given to each town board member. A motion was made by Robert Davis to pay the bills presented, 2nd by Fred Thistle – motion carried.

Planning Commission report was given by Doug Richmond as follows: Tim Ryan – crossing agricultural land to get to a parcel of land (town attorney to give opinion); Dave Mitchell came for a variance for a garage (side yard and road setbacks needed), Mike and Dan Benish would like a ~~2~~ house on farm – suggested separate the little house with a CSM.

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There was a question on routing traffic for Crystal Lake Campground during Highway 60 reconstruction.

Recycling Supervisor and the Job Description was presented to the town board for discussion. Wages was brought up for discussion, Keith Rumisek stated he didn't want a raise, but did felt that the employees needed a raise. After discussion a motion was made by Robert Davis to raise the employee's salary to \$10.00 per hour and to leave the Supervisor salary at \$8.50 per hour, 2nd by Fred Thistle – motion carried.

The Job Description for the Recycling Center employee was presented to the town board for their consideration. Keith Rumisek stated that he had reviewed the Job Description and had no changes. A motion was made by Robert Davis to approve the Recycling Job Description, 2nd by Fred Thistle – motion carried. The town clerk is to give the copies of the Job Description to Keith Rumisek, Recycling Supervisor, to give to all employees.

The construction dumpster was brought up for discussion, the town now has a construction dumpster at the recycling center in May and September. After discussion a motion was made by Robert Davis to have a construction dumpster (30 yard) there 3 times a year (May, July, September), 2nd by Fred Thistle – motion carried.

Green Valley representative Dave Vander Velde gave the town board the following estimate on the cost of door to door pick up of \$9.50 to \$12.00 per unit for weekly pickup. Staffing of the Recycling Center is a problem, the town board asked Dave Vander Velde to prepare a cost of door to door pickup for the Town of West Point and come back at the May meeting for more discussion.

Discussion of having a compactor to the recycling center – they are to look at a place to place the compactor. Tabled to the May meeting.

Fred Thistle made a motion to table transfer site fees, 2nd by Robert Davis – motion carried.

A motion was made by Robert Davis to purchase 9 chairs for the town hall ~~for~~ Staples, 2nd by Fred Thistle – motion carried.
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Possible change in posting places for town board meeting was discussed. Pat Rehwinkel from Crystal Lake Campground stated they had just purchased a new covered board with a key lock for posting their notices and that it was not real expensive. The town board is to look further into purchasing boards for posting of meetings. A motion was made by Fred Thistle to table the posting places until the May meeting, 2nd by Robert Davis – motion carried.

Joe Costanza the town engineer presented the town board with a proposed rate increase for certified building inspector from \$45.00 per hour to \$47.00 per hour. A motion was made by Robert Davis to approve the rate increase, 2nd by Fred Thistle – motion carried.

In the newspapers and television the Village of Merrimac has been stated of saying that they will build a bridge across Lake Wisconsin, which would be in the Town of West Point. After discussion a motion was made by Robert Davis to sent a letter to the Village of Merrimac from the Town of West Point stating that the town board is not in favor of having a bridge across Lake Wisconsin, 2nd by Fred Thistle – motion carried.

Mike and Dan Benish came before the town board asking about the 3 houses on Agricultural Land. The 3 options the Columbia County Zoning has given the Benish's is:

1. Parcel off by CSM and change ownership (because of the age of house)
2. Rezone
3. Ask for a variance (prove hardship) to the Board of Adjustments

Dan Benish stated that they will discuss the options and come back to the town board at a later date – no action was taken.

A motion was made by Robert Davis to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m., 2nd by Fred Thistle – motion carried.


Edith Eberle,
Town Clerk