

TOWN OF WEST POINT

The annual meeting of the Town of West Point was held on Tuesday, April 10, 2001 at the Town Hall. The meeting was published and posted in three places. There were 15 people present.

Fred Thistle Town Chairman called to the annual meeting.

A motion was made by Dick O'Connor to elect Fred Thistle to be the chairman for the annual meeting, 2nd by Joan Bader – motion carried.

The town clerk sworn in the following officers: Chairman Fred Thistle, 1st Supervisor Alan Treinen, 2nd Supervisor Doug Richmond, and Town Treasurer Joan Bader. The Town of Lodi Deputy Clerk swore in the town clerk earlier in the day.

The Town Treasurer – Joan Bader, read the minutes (town clerk was losing her voice) from the April 11, 2000 annual meeting. A motion was made by Sharon Richmond to approve the minutes as read, 2nd by Bill Boeger – yes 14 – no 0 – motion carried.

The financial report was presented to the people for their consideration. Questions were answered. A motion was made by Dick O'Connor to accept the financial report for 2000, 2nd by Phyllis Willoughby – yes 14 – no 0; motion carried.

The highway matching funds were brought up for discussion. A motion was made by Bill Boeger to pay Columbia County \$13,947.50 for highway matching, 2nd by Doug Richmond – yes 14 – no 0; motion carried.

Making a donation to Garden Bluff Cemetery was brought up for discussion. A motion was made by Alan Treinen to donate \$800.00 to Garden Bluff Cemetery, 2nd by Phyllis Willoughby – yes 14 – no 0; motion carried.

Making a donation to Lodi Fair Association was brought up for discussion. A motion was made by Dick O'Connor to donate \$500.00 to the Lodi Fair Association, 2nd by Sharon Richmond – yes 14 – no 0; motion carried.

Making a donation to the Sauk Prairie Hockey Association and the Lodi Swimming Pool was brought up for discussion. A motion was made by Joan Bader to donate \$500.00 to each (Sauk Prairie Hockey Association and the Lodi Swimming Pool), 2nd by Bill Boeger – yes 14 – no 0; motion carried.

Fred Thistle brought up the purchasing of the house (125,000.00) next to the Associated Bank, which would be used to exchange that property for the Associated Bank parking lot (next to the Lodi Fire Department) for a future addition to the Lodi Area Fire Department. The would be torn down or moved in 2 years and a parking lot put up for the bank employees. The estimated cost of the parking lot would be \$20,000.00 of which the Town West Point would pay 1/5. After discussion a motion was made by Dick O'Connor allow the Town of West Point to borrow up to \$35,000.00 for the acquisition of purchasing the house and doing the parking lot with a sunset date of one year to the next annual meeting, 2nd by Robert Davis – yes 14 – no 0; motion carried.

Joan Bader brought up the billing of fire calls for discussion. After much discussion as Sauk Fire District doesn't bill the town for fire calls – it is included in their budget and Lodi Fire District does bill the town for fire calls it would be very hard to bill everyone in the town equally. A motion was made by Alan Treinen to leave the fire calls as is

(town paying), 2nd by Bill Boeger – yes 14 – no 0; motion carried.

Alan Treinen brought up the haz-mat agreement for discussion. The State Statues states that it is the County's responsible for haz mat. Columbia county agreement states that towns are responsible. That is why the Town of West Point has not signed the county agreement. The Town of West Point pays the fee but goes on record of not signing the agreement. The State Attorney General agrees with the Town of West Point. The town attorney has been authorized to continue this discussion with Columbia County. A motion was made by Alan Treinen to continue as the town has done in the past (not to sign agreement – but pay the dues), 2nd by Dick O'Connor – yes 14 – no 0; motion carried.

Joan Bader stated that she would like the town to retain ownership of all public accesses. There are agreements on Rausch Road, Fjords and Selwood the piers may be added but the public may use at anytime. There are some accesses that will never be used or could be used. A motion was made that no action will be taken until the GPS mapping is done with will identify all town property or until the next annual meeting, 2nd by Ed Jacobson – yes 14 – no 0 – motion carried.

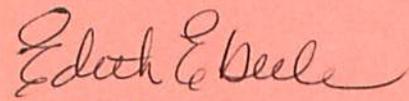
Fred Thistle stated that Columbia County would like to do Ariel photos again.

Edith Eberle brought up the remodeling and/or addition to the town hall. After discussion a motion was made by Ed Jacobson to get a cost estimate on remodeling and or addition to the town hall and bring back at the next town meeting, 2nd by Phyllis Willoughby - yes 14 – no 0 – motion carried.

The nuisance ordinance on having dogs on a lease in residential area – the town board will look into this matter.

A motion was made by Sharon Richmond to set Tuesday, November 13, 2001 at 7:30 p.m. for the town budget meeting, 2nd by Joan Bader, yes 14, no 0 – motion carried

A motion was made by Sharon Richmond to adjourn the annual meeting at 10:00 p.m., 2nd by Joan Bader, yes 14, no 0 – motion carried.



Edith Eberle
Town Clerk