

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, July 5th, 2001 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, Doug Richmond-2nd, Supervisor John Benish-3rd Supervisor and Torrey Latham-4th Supervisor. Also present was Edith Eberle-Town Clerk. Alan Treinen-1st Supervisor, and Joan Bader-Town Treasurer came late.

The minutes from the June 7th, 2001 meeting had been given to the town board members prior to the meeting. A motion was made by John Benish to approve the minutes with typing corrections, 2nd by Torrey Latham – motion carried.

There was no Treasurer's report.

Correspondence – Letter from Columbia County Zoning that David Mitchell variance was denied, Letter from Columbia County Highway with a estimate of \$2,500.00 for a new culvert and \$500.00 for removing existing culvert on Trails End, Letter from Charter Communications on discontinued carriage of ESPN, Letter from the Department of Revenue for not being in compliance with our assessment, Letter from Wisconsin Towns Association to have each town board member contact Sate Assembly member on Highway Aids for Towns, Final Statement of Taxes, Letter from Department of Natural Resources that Eugene Roark, Nancy Roark, and William Roark put land in Managed Forest, Letter returned from Columbia County and the new Columbia County Plat and Directory Book that Town Clerk will be the contact person, a copy of the Lodi Fire Commission Minutes, Card from Columbia County Clerk on the election dates for 2002 (April, September, and November), the Town Clerk had sent a letter of the Town of West Point Long-Term Debt, and copy of Liability Insurance from Gardiner Appraisal Service, Letter asking the town board to contact Rep. Eugene Hahn on the budget amendment proposal to the Sate Budget to help finance the cost of lowering the water levels of Fish, Crystal and Mud Lakes, a Letter form Murphy & Desmond on a Legal Services Contract – (our attorney will write a letter to Murphy & Desmond), 2 Letters from

Wisconsin Department of Revenue on Hickory Hills being delinquent on paying Phillips Distributing Corporation and a letter stating that the bills had been paid, Letter from State Elections Board that all correspondence in the future will come from the County Clerk due to budget reduction, Letter from Sauk Fire Chief on fireworks (copies of letter was given to each town board member), and a letter from MEI on Greg Whiten structural damage caused by fire.

A copy of the bills had been given to each town board member. A motion was made by John Benish to pay the bills presented, 2nd by Torrey Latham – motion carried. The town board reviewed the town budget. A motion was made by Torrey Latham to move \$260.32 from Office Supplies to Clerk Equipment 2nd by John Benish - motion carried. A motion was made by Alan Treinen to move \$1222.88 from Public Access to Humane Expenses, Lodi Swim Pool and Sauk Prairie Hockey, 2nd by Doug Richmond – motion carried. A motion was made by Doug Richmond to move \$396.00 from Town Hall Equipment to Town Insurance, 2nd by Torrey Latham – motion carried.

Citizen's input – questions on Chrisler Road paving and shoulding of town roads.

The Planning Commission report was given by Doug Richmond as follows: June 14 – Jeff Harrington came asking about splitting his property was told to get a CSM and then come back, Tom Bannon would like to rezone 13 acres by Fjords, Joyce Sinkule reported on the Smart Growth – not part of a Regional Plan – purchase a smart growth plan for \$25.00 to use as a guide; June 28th – on Tom Bannon rezoning public hearing a neighbor would like to also rezone 3 acres – needs to make application, Larry Lenerz – Preliminary Plat in Selwood question on drainage/storm water – septic is approved – plans to set 1 lot aside for a Park and \$7,500.00 to park fund – the board may want to use some of the park fund for equipment in the lot for a park.

Crystal Lake Water Levels - Letter asking the town board to contact Rep. Eugene Hahn on the budget amendment proposal to the Sate Budget to help finance the cost of lowering the water levels of Fish, Crystal and Mud Lakes. There will be a meeting on July 17 in the Town of Roxbury.

Trails End CSM was tabled.

The following operator licenses were presented to the town board for their consideration: Dustin Carlson, Melvin Becker, Heather Reichert, and Lori Strittmatter. A motion was made by John Benish to grant the operator licenses, 2nd by Alan Treinen – motion carried.

Jim Klingbeil had written a letter to the town board (each town board member has a copy of the letter) asking them to make Theresa Lane a town road. Mr. Klingbeil was not present. Chairman Fred Thistle stated that 50% of the residents on the road have to sign a petition asking the town board for a town road. A motion was made by John Benish stating that the Town of West Point is opposed to making Theresa Lane a town road, 2nd by Alan Treinen – motion carried.

Town roads – there was a letter from the town engineer stating that the sub base was bad on the roads, Chrisler Road will be done the first week in August, they will patch the bad spots on Reynolds road, shouldering that broke up the roads will be fixed – Joe stated that next year he may bid the roads by ^{TOWNAGE} cubic yards not as ^{Cubic Yards} tonnage. Different concerns was the driveway and culver by Chuck Zeman's.

Tom Bannan – rezoning by Fjords Roads was tabled.

Jerry Foelimi from General Engineers came before the town board asking if the Town of West Point would be interested in joining the Harmony Grove/Okee sanitary district. He explained that they were doing a 20-year plan. After discussion – it was stated that the Town of West Point is interested joining the Harmony Grove/Okee sanitary district. Chairman Fred Thistle to talk to Joe Costanza about joining the sanitary district.

Fence dispute – Randy Knipfer and Tony Gallagher came before the town board on their problems of fencing on the lot line/easement. Knipfer stated that they have put up cattle guards (not a legal fence) on the easement – there was a court ruling that no gates could be placed on the easement. Chairman Fred Thistle explained that the town board could do nothing unless a legal request was presented to the town board for a fence viewing, which means that all expenses are paid including loss of wages of town board members.

Chairman Fred Thistle read the following committee appointments:

Planning Commission–Doug Richmond (Alan Treinen alternate)
Highway and Safety – Torrey Latham and Fred Thistle
Parks – John Benish
Legal – Edith Eberle (town clerk)
Waste & Recycling – Alan Treinen and Recycling Supervisor
Finance -Edith Eberle (clerk), Fred Thistle (Chairman) & John Benish
Utility – Doug Richmond and a Planning Commission Member
Emergency Government – Fred Thistle (Town Chairman)
Building Committee – Doug Richmond and Edith Eberle

A motion was made by John Benish to approve all the committees, 2nd
by Torrey Latham – motion carried.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 p.m. by Alan
Treinen, 2nd by Doug Richmond – motion carried.


Edith Eberle,
Town Clerk