Town of West Point

Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.84 the Town Board of the Town of West Point held a regular monthly meeting on Thursday, October 4, 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-Chairman, Doug Richmond- 2^{nd} Supervisor, John Benish- 3^{rd} Supervisor, and Torrey Latham- 4^{th} Supervisor. Alan Treinen- 1^{st} Supervisor was absent. Also present was Edith Eberle-Town Clerk and Joan Bader-Town Treasurer.

The minutes from the September $6^{\rm th}$, 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, $2^{\rm nd}$ by Doug Richmond – motion carried.

The treasurer report was as follows: General - \$139,215.34, Park Fund - \$58,251.65 + \$25,000.00 borrowed, Tree Fund - \$9,085.63. The town clerk and town treasurer have balanced the books for August and September. A motion was made by Torrey Latham to accept the treasurer report as given, 2^{nd} by John Benish - motion carried.

Correspondence - There will be a meeting on October 29th at 6:30 p.m. in the River Arts Center at Sauk Prairie School for the future of our area and the Sauk Prairie School District - Fred Thistle and Dick O'Connor will attend, and a letter from Charter Communication on closing a office in Baraboo.

A copy of bills was given to each town board member for their consideration. A motion was made by Doug Richmond to pay the bills presented, 2^{nd} by John Benish - motion carried.

Chuck Zeman asked to have a sign made on "CLEAR BAGS". He is to get a copy of the sign he wants to the town clerk to have a copy made.

Planning Commission was given by Doug Richmond as follows: 2 CSM were presented Jeff Harrington on Highway 188 and Ruth Heeg on Golf Road, working on a form for Preliminary Plat, recommendation on concrete vs. blacktop

in driveway ordinance, the October 25 meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. to meet with the new zoning administrator John Blumkey all town board members are asked to attend.

Chairman Fred Thistle and Bud Styer had met with Ramaker and Associates on forming a Lake District - the cost will be \$4,000.00 of which the Town of Roxbury will pay \$2,000.00. Chairman Fred Thistle also stated that he had talked to Neil Goodchild from Alliant Energy to do an estimate on the costs of a 3 phase electrical service and running a pump per hour for the pumping of the water from Fish Lake to the Wisconsin River. A motion was made by John Benish to pay Ramaker \$2,000.00 (1/2 of total) for forming a Lake District (Town of Roxbury to pay the other half), 2nd by Torrey Latham - motion carried.

The town board set Wednesday, October 17th, 2001 at 7:30 p.m. at the town clerk's home to work on the 2002 Town Budget.

Remodeling/addition to the town hall was brought up for discussion. At the spring annual meeting the electors of the Town of West Point asked the town board to do some studies/plans for the town hall. A motion was made by Torrey Latham to appoint Dick O'Connor and Doug Richmond as co-chairman's for the remodeling/addition of the town hall, 2^{nd} by John Benish - motion carried.

Chairman Fred Thistle stated he had talked to Jim Grothman and Wisconsin State Department of Transportation on the trees on Highway 188 and Pleasant View Park on who owns the trees and it was decided that the trees are on the VK Wetzel property. A letter will be sent to VK Wetzel stating that the trees are not on the town right a way but on his property.

The No Wake Ordinance in Sunset Bay was presented to the town board for their consideration. Chairman Fred Thistle stated the DNR did increase the number of patrol boats and did issue 4 citations and that they felt that there was no problem in Sunset Bay. After discussion a motion was made by John Benish not to adopt the No Wake Ordinance in Sunset Bay — to leave as is, 2^{nd} by Doug Richmond — motion carried.

The No Wake Ordinance in Turtle Bay was presented to the town board for their consideration. Chairman Fred

Thistle stated that the DNR has had no violations in Turtle Bay. After discussion a motion was made by Doug Richmond not to adopt the No Wake Ordinance in Turtle Bay – to leave as is, 2^{nd} John Benish – motion carried.

Each town board member attending the Wisconsin State Towns Convention in Madison is to make his or her own reservation and turn in a bill to the town clerk.

It was brought up for discussion on possible changing the town board meeting to the 2^{nd} Thursday – as the first Thursday doesn't give vendors enough time to get the bills out for payment. Planning Commission to possible change their meetings to the 1^{st} and 3^{rd} Thursday of each month. 2^{nd} Supervisor Doug Richmond will asked the Planning Commission on their opinion of changing their meetings and report back to the town board at the November meeting.

Chairman Fred Thistle and Town Clerk
Edith Eberle had met with Greg Gardiner and he suggested
that the Town of West Point should appoint Nelvin Olson as
Assessor to do regular work and helping the town clerk to
get West Point residences parcel numbers for rezoning,
variances and CSM etc. A motion was made by Doug Richmond
to appoint Nelvin Olson as Assessor for the Town of West
Point at a cost of \$25.00 per time worked on parcel numbers
etc., 2nd by Torrey Latham - motion carried.

Kurt Koenig and Bill Lenerz came before the town board asking for financial support for their summer boys and girls baseball/softball programs. The Town of West Point had 18 children that participated in their program last summer. They are asking for a 3-year commitment of \$1,800.00. After a lot of discussion - a motion was made by Doug Richmond to table until the budget meeting on October 17th, 2nd by Torrey Latham - motion carried.

The Planning Commission had made a recommendation to the town board to remove the concrete requirements on driveways. The town engineer has not enforced the ordinance. After discussion - it was decided to have Attorney Jeff Clark revise the Driveway Ordinance.

Bill Gardner from the Wisconsin Southern Railroad came before the town board of the Town of West Point asking permission to install STOP SIGNS at our two passive railroad crossing (McCubbins Road and Old Sauk Road) at no cost to the Town of West Point. The Wisconsin Southern Railroad will notify the town if any of the signs are damaged or missing and the Wisconsin Southern Railroad will reimburse the town for the cost of replacing the stop signs. After discussion - a motion was made by Doug Richmond to install STOP SIGNS on the cross bar signs at each of the crossings at no cost to the Town of West Point, 2nd by John Benish - motion carried.

Each of the town board members had been given copies of the proposed map of the Town of West Point from Columbia County to be looked at for any mistakes, which will be used for the new plat map/book. There were 3 new subdivisions that were not on the map. A motion was made by John Benish to approve the map as corrected, 2nd by Torrey Latham - motion carried.

Robert Davis came before the town board and explained some of the changes in the Sauk Ambulance as follows: working on a budget, and putting out for bids the billing of Ambulance calls. The Sauk Prairie Hospital does subsidize the Sauk Ambulance. The budget for the Town of West Point for 2002 is \$5.00 per person (1/2 of the Town). The Town of West Point population is 1656.

A motion was made by John Benish to adjourn the meeting at $10:30~\rm p.m.$, $2^{\rm nd}$ by Torrey Latham - motion carried.

Edith Eberle Town Clerk