

## 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, August 11, 2011 at the West Point Town Hall. The meeting was published in the Lodi Enterprise, the Sauk Prairie Star, posted in the three designated places in the town and on the town's web site.

The Town Board meeting was called to order by Dean Schwarz-Town Chairman at 7:00 p.m. The town board members present were: Dean Schwarz-Town Chairman, John Miller-1<sup>st</sup> Supervisor, Gordon Carncross-2<sup>nd</sup> Supervisor, Bill Niemi-3<sup>rd</sup> Supervisor and Matt Zeman-4<sup>th</sup> Supervisor. Also present were Edith K. Eberle-Town Clerk and Lonna Zeman-Town Treasurer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

A motion was made by Matt Zeman to move agenda items around when the town engineer arrives; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill Niemi – motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Input: None.

Copies of the July 14, 2011 meeting were emailed to each town board member prior to the meeting for their review. A motion was made by John Miller to approve the July 14, 2011 minutes with a correction, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill Niemi - motion carried. Matt Zeman abstained.

Copies of the July 28, 2011 meeting were emailed to each town board member prior to the meeting for their review. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to approve the July 28, 2011 minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gordon Carncross - motion carried. Bill Niemi and John Miller abstained.

Treasurer Lonna Zeman had prepared the following report: General Fund as of July 31, 2011 - \$185,449.48; Park Fund \$3,265.25 (\$89.78 in separate account in Quick Books and \$3,175.47 is in a six month CD Park Fund at the Bank of Prairie du Sac); Historical Society is \$2,763.63; and Savannah Tree is \$2,103.19 which is a 1 year CD. The Town Treasurer and Town Clerk balanced the bank accounts for the month of July.

The bills were reviewed by each town board member prior to the town board meeting. A copy of the bills, deposits and budget for 2011 were given to each town board member for their information. A motion was made by Bill Niemi to pay the bills that were presented with the exception of Dann & Wendt Inc. check #11349 as the bill has been sent to Crystal Lake RV Resort, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gordon Carncross - motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence – Thank you letter from Prairie du Sac Public Library for the support that the Town of West Point has given and also asking for additional money as the construction bids were higher than estimated; Town of West Point did receive \$3,905.50 for July payment of shared revenue; Notice of public hearing on redistricting on Wednesday, August 24, 2011 at Columbia County Administration Building; Copy of a letter that the Town of West Point sent to Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources on the high water levels of Crystal, Fish and Mud Lakes; appointment of Jeff Gust as new Wisconsin Department of Transportation Southwest Region Planning Section Manager; Letter from Columbia County Planning and Zoning on Ordinance Violation for Robert & Lana Morvice at W12180 State Highway 188; and 2011 Preliminary Population Estimate for the Town of West Point is 1,960 .

Sewer System Preliminary Site Evaluation for the area including Pleasant View Park was presented to the Town Board for their consideration. There are possibly two (2) sites that may be used for Sewer System. Chairman Dean Schwarz stated the Doug Wilcox from MSA could not make the meeting as there was a death in the family and asked to have Sewer System postponed until September. A motion was made by Gordon Carncross to postpone Sewer System Preliminary Site Evaluation until the September 8<sup>th</sup> Town Board meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Miller – motion carried unanimously.

Attorney Chris Hughes, Bill Roark, Eugene Roark and Nancy Roark were present bringing a revised Perpetual Road Right-of-Way Easement Agreement for the Town Board consideration. Attorney Jeff Clark, Chairman Dean Schwarz and the Roark's have approved the revised document. Chuck Bongard, Town Engineer stated that the legal description is correct. Attorney Chris Hughes stated that the Conservation Easement and the Right of Way Easement Agreement will work together. The Natural Heritage Land Trust, Inc. will need to amend the Conservation Easement to

tighten it up and then need to have Attorney Jeff Clark stamp of approval. The Land Trust will be meeting on September 7<sup>th</sup>. Both documents will be recorded at the same time. The question was asked what is Town's interest? Attorney Chris Hughes stated the town has none but the Town of West Point is requesting to the Natural Heritage Land Trust agree that the Town shall have the right to use the Road Corridor for all public road and utility purposes allowed by applicable statues, laws, regulations and ordinances without notice to or approval of the Trust under the Conservation Easement. The language in the Right of Way Easement agreement needs to be consistent with the Conservation Easement approved by Attorney Jeff Clark and Chairman Dean Schwarz. A motion was made by Gordon Carncross to execute the signing of the Perpetual Road Right of Way Easement Agreement, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill Niemi - motion carried unanimously.

Chuck Bongard, Town Engineer is recommending a change order to eliminate shoulders on Golf Road as savings of \$10,780.00. The original cost of replacement of the Culvert on Slack Road was \$7,480.00 but the asphalt does not need to be replaced, the cost without the asphalt is \$6,215.00 as total deduction of \$12,045.00 from the contract. There is no change in contract time and it should be under bid price due to no soft spots in excavation. The contract for Golf Road was \$123,000.00 and is now \$111,000.00. A motion was made Bill Niemi to accept the change order for culvert on Slack Road, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gordon Carncross - motion carried unanimously.

Chuck Bongard, Town Engineer stated that he feels a spot seal and scalp area be done before winter. There was a question should another chip seal coat be done? In the future a chip seal coat should be done. A motion was made by Bill Niemi to have Crack Filling do spot sealing as recommended by the Town Engineer on Gannon Road not to exceed \$3,500.00 and to have it completed a quickly as possible, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt Zeman - motion carried unanimously.

Chuck Bongard, Town Engineer stated that Dale and Lynda Schoepp (Schoepp's Cottonwood Resort) were granted approval to raise the bar/home by Columbia County Planning and Zoning. Sorenson's have moved their mobile home to higher ground and Neil Schoepp is going to move his mobile home across the road to a location near where the home was placed. A motion was made by Dean Schwarz to postpone action on Fish, Crystal and Mud Lake District/Pumping/2 culverts under Schoepp Road, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt

Zeman – motion carried unanimously. It was reported that Crystal Lake has gone down 12”.

Chairman Dean Schwarz is asking the Town Board to consider purchasing “Dead End” signs for Klamer Road, Lake Drive, East Lake Drive, Smith Park Road and Rausch Road as people get lost and are trying to find a way to cross the Wisconsin River. Chairman Dean Schwarz had some costs for a “Dead End” sign that could be put up on current road signs for \$18.00 plus the cost of bracket. Robert Davis stated that he has 4 “Dead End” signs that he could put up at a cost of \$36.00 each. A motion was made by Dean Schwarz to have Robert Davis put up 4 “Dead End” signs up at a cost of \$36.00 each, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Miller - motion carried unanimously.

Robert Davis stated the following:

- East side of Gannon Road from the first corner to the entrance of the park there is a 6-8 foot drop
- Chrislaw has 2 – eight foot drop
- Gastrow Road has a drop off about 1000 feet from Highway 60
- Pulvermacher has a drop off on the West side
- Reynolds Road has a drop off on the South side

The Town Engineer, Chuck Bongard will look at the Town Roads with drop off’s and make a recommendation to the Town Board on what should be done.

There needs to be patching on Barta Road, Schoepp Road, Van Ness Road and East Harmon Road. We will let Columbia County Highway know about the patching.

On Chrisler Road there is a “cement cookie” blocking the water to the culvert and is causing the road to collapse. A motion was made by Gordon Carncross to inspect the culvert and made a recommendation on how to fix the problem, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill Niemi - motion carried unanimously.

Purchasing of wood chips for Town Parks was brought up to the Town Board for their consideration. Chairman Dean Schwarz stated the Joe Buchanan uses the wood chips that he bid at the Lodi Schools at their play grounds. The Town had asked the City of Lodi to purchase 20 yards of

wood chips from them, but needed to be hauled and raked in. Bill Niemi stated that there needs to be some draining done in Selwood Park at a future date. After discussion, a motion was made by Gordon Carncross to rake the wood chips in to the water holes and not purchase any wood chips until Spring, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill Niemi - motion carried unanimously.

A Resolution No. 08-11-2011 in Support of Hiking-Biking Trails was presented to the Town Board for their consideration. The Town of Lodi and the City of Lodi have each passed similar resolutions. In the resolution states to donate \$200.00 as seed money to encourage making Route 30 complete from Winona, MN to Milwaukee. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to approve Resolution No. 08-11-2011 and to take \$200.00 from the reserve contingences 2011 Budget, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gordon Carncross - motion carried unanimously.

An application along with a certificate of Seller/Server class was received from Krystle Lee Maas for an operator license at Crystal Lake RV Resort. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to grant an operator license to Krystle Lee Maas, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill Niemi - motion carried unanimously.

It was brought up to the Town Board to consider posting a sign in the Town Hall “NO WEAPONS”. A motion was made by Gordon Carncross to not allow Weapons in the Town Hall building and to post a 5x7 sign, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Miller - motion carried unanimously.

The following Committee Reports:

- Park Committee – no report
- Sauk Fire Board – zero increase in 2012 proposed budget
- Plan Commission – Gordon Carncross reported on the August 4, 2011 meeting
- Sauk Prairie Ambulance – no report
- Transfer Site – Lanzendorf has completed work and there is a lot of fill dirt at the transfer site – Gordon Carncross also stated he has fill dirt also
- Lodi EMS – no report
- Columbia County – no report
- Outdoor Open Space Committee – will be meeting on August 24, 2011

- Lodi Fire Department – next meeting on August 17<sup>th</sup> and special meeting on August 31<sup>st</sup>.

The next town board meeting will be on Thursday, September 8, 2011 on the agenda is: Town Roads; Golf Road; Gannon Road; Chrisler Road; Slack Road; Crystal and Mud Lake District Pumping; Committee Reports and any other business that may legally brought before the Town Board. Board of Review will meet at 6:45 p.m. prior to the town board meeting to adjourn to a later date.

A motion was made by John Miller to adjourn the August 11, 2011 town board meeting at 8:43 p.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill Niemi – motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted By  
*Edith Kay Eberle,*  
Town Clerk