

Town of Lawrence
Proceedings of Town Board/Utility District Meeting
Town Hall-2595 French Road, De Pere, WI 54115
Monday, April 9, 2007 – 7:00PM

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Perock at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Tom Perock, Town Chairman
Randy Tremml, Town Supervisor
Kenneth VanDeHei, Town Supervisor
Randy Vandennack, Town Supervisor
Dale Warpinski, Town Supervisor
Judy Benz, Town Clerk-Treasurer
Carrie Murphy-Auguston, Assistant Clerk

Pledge of Allegiance by those in attendance.

Discussion and Action on the following:

1. Approve minutes from Town Board Meeting held on March 26, 2007

A motion was made by Supervisor VanDeHei to approve the minutes from Town Board Meeting held on March 26, 2007. Motion seconded by Supervisor Tremml. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Update on Impact Fee Study Report

An update was provided on the Impact Fee Study Report. Carrie Murphy-Auguston gave justification for the parks future development and land acquisition costs. The number being used for Town's population was discussed and verified.

3. Authorize Internet Modifications and Updates

Linda Techmeier provided an overview of the internet modifications and updates being proposed. Supervisor Tremml inquired about email addresses for the Town Supervisors. Linda stated something could be set up. A motion was made by Supervisor Warpinski to approve the internet modifications and updates. Motion seconded by Supervisor Vandennack. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Proposed Phase 1 Placement of Streetlights

Utility Manager, Greg Little, stated they have comprised a list of intersections that would benefit from streetlights. He asked the Board to prioritize the locations on the list. He also suggested the use of a different style light in subdivisions for a more aesthetic look. Supervisor Tremml recommended the police department review the list and provide their suggestions on the priority of placement. Supervisor VanDeHei mentioned the need for standards to be established and an ordinance adopted to ensure continuity for future development in the Town. A motion was made by Supervisor Vandennack to table to allow for further review. Motion seconded by Supervisor VanDeHei. Motion carried unanimously. Item tabled.

5. Quarry Park Field Usage Request – DePere Select Soccer Club

Todd Maki, representing DePere Select Soccer Club was present to request field usage at Quarry Park. He said they are interested in utilizing the south end for one large soccer field (330x180) and one small soccer field (240x165). These fields would primarily be used for practices and occasional games. The DePere Select Soccer Club currently has about 250 players.

The fields would be used from April – July. The Club would be responsible for maintenance of the field areas (cutting, lining, etc.) A user/maintenance agreement would be implemented for a period of one year. Chairman Perock mentioned any additional parking should be on the east side of Quarry Park only. A motion was made by Supervisor Warpinski to move forward with the agreement for field usage and maintenance with the DePere Select Soccer Club. Motion seconded by Supervisor Vandenack. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Proposal for Revaluation Assessing Services for 2008

Clerk-Treasurer, Judy Benz reviewed the proposal received from Associated Appraisals in reference to revaluation assessing services for 2008. The proposal indicates the Town will receive a non-compliance notice in 2008 which will require action in 2009 or 2010. A motion was made by Supervisor VanDeHei to table to allow for further review. Motion seconded by Supervisor Warpinski. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Temporary Salt Storage Facility

Maintenance Operator, Adam Gildernick provided an overview of the bids received for a temporary salt storage shed. He said it would be placed next to the Compost Site on a temporary basis. Mr. Gildernick stated the Town currently pays \$76.50/ton for salt, by providing a storage facility we would be able to take part in the State program which charges \$29.77/ton. A motion was made by Supervisor VanDeHei to approve the temporary salt storage facility. The motion included the site prep work to be completed by Northeast Asphalt, and the structure to be purchased from Calumet Dryer Service. Motion seconded by Supervisor Tremml. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Certificate Payment #4 in the amount of \$149,125.90 to Dorner, Inc. on Scheuring Rd/Clem La Project

A motion was made by Supervisor VanDeHei to approve payment #4 in the amount of \$149,125.90 to Dorner, Inc for the Scheuring Road/Clem Lane water/sewer project. Motion seconded by Supervisor Warpinski. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Authorize Merit Wage Increase for Utility Operator

A motion was made by Supervisor Tremml to approve a recommended annual merit increase in the amount of \$760.00 for the Utility Operator. Motion seconded by Supervisor Vandenack. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Water/Sewer Utility Update/Greg Little

Utility Manager, Greg Little, stated the water is on at the new elementary school site. Next week they will be doing a walk-through inspection in Hemlock Creek Subdivision.

11. Central Brown County Water Authority Update/Randy Tremml

No Update.

12. Fire Department Update/Fire Chief Kurt Minten

Chief, Kurt Minten, stated the Department participated in a water rescue over the weekend. Two individuals went over the dam in Little Rapids and required rescuing.

13. Payment of due invoices and wages

A motion was made by Supervisor Warpinski to approve payment of due invoices and wages. Motion seconded by Supervisor Tremml. Motion carried unanimously.

14. Future Agenda Items

Municipal Issues Committee Update
Sexual Predator Update

15. Public Comments

A motion was made by Supervisor Warpinski to suspend the rules and open the floor for public comments. Motion seconded by Supervisor Vandenack. Motion carried unanimously.

Tom Hoslet, 1101 Spring Lake Drive – asked if there was a change in trash/recycle pick up time. Pick up times may vary for weekly due to new drivers, vehicle problems, etc. however, it is still recommended residents place their items at the curb by 6:00 a.m.

Steve Grosklaus, 1983 Minten Way – asked when Scheuring Road would be re-paved. Chairman Perock stated Scheuring Road is a county road and aside from the restoration work to be completed this year from the sewer/water project, the Town is not responsible for maintenance of the road. Mr. Grosklaus then inquired about the paving to be done in Shadow Ridge Subdivision. Chairman Perock stated the developer has until June 1st to complete the paving. If it is not completed by June 1st the Town will assume responsibility for paving and charge back the developer.

Adam Aleknavicius, 1743 Cady Lane – mentioned the last meeting he attended he was told the curb/gutter along Cady Lane was to be repaired/replaced. He stated it has not been done. He also mentioned a large mound of dirt on a property that is being used for 4-wheelers. He referred to the trailers parked on the street as a potential safety hazard because of the limited visibility when driving on the hill where they are parked. He suggested limiting parking to one side of the street on Cady Lane between Sand Acres Drive and Morning Dew Lane. Chairman Perock said the Building Inspector would be sent to inspect the site. Mr. Aleknavicius inquired about the placement of the trees planted in Quarry Park. Maintenance Operator, Adam Gildernick stated the trees were a variety that when full grown will not interfere with the use of the ball diamonds, he stated they were placed there to provide spectators some shade.

Bob Meulemans, 1194 Spring Lake Drive – stated the fenced-in yard at VanRite Construction is very unsightly, stating the fence doesn't conceal anything because of the property being on a hill.

Linda Techmeier, 1663 Silhouette Lane – stated she is concerned for the safety of the kids playing on the mound of dirt on the property located on Cady Lane, she said it is unsightly and dangerous. She supports the recommendation of parking on one side of the street only on Cady Lane between Sand Acres and Morning Dew.

Representative Tom Nelson - stated the Joint Finance Committee will be hosting a field hearing at the Railroad Museum on April 12, from 10:00-4:00. He mentioned they are currently in the process of budget negotiations, with the final budget expected to be complete in November.

Supervisor Treml stated the Town of Lawrence is a growing community that has experienced 60% growth since 1999 and continues to be penalized by the formula used when calculating state shared revenue. He urged Representative Nelson to revisit the formula used, which has been in place since 2003.

Steve Grosklaus – asked what Representative Nelson has done for the tax payers. Representative Nelson stated in the past 12 years 6 Bills have been passed and 8.9 Billion dollars in tax cuts. Mr. Grosklaus asked Representative Nelson what his goals are. Representative Nelson stated he is working on how people are reimbursed, as well as formula changes for Medicare/Medicaid.

A motion was made by Supervisor Warpinski to return to regular session. Motion seconded by Supervisor Vandenack. Motion carried unanimously.

16. Adjourn

A motion was made by Supervisor VanDeHei to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Supervisor Warpinski. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Carrie Murphy-Auguston