

Town of Lawrence
Proceedings of Town Board/Utility District Meeting
Town Hall-2595 French Road, De Pere, WI 54115
Monday, May 12, 2008– 7:05PM

Board of Review Meeting
7:00PM

Board of Review Meeting called into session

Board of Review was called to order by Chairman Tom Perock. Motion was made by John Klasen to open the Board of Review session. Seconded by Randy Vandenack. Motion carried.

Board of Review adjourned

Motion was made by Ken VanDeHei to adjourn the Board of Review. Seconded by Randy Vandenack. Motion carried. Open book is scheduled for July 2, 2008 and Board of Review is scheduled for July 17, 2008.

Town Board Meeting - Call to Order

Town Board meeting called to order by Chairman Perock at 7:05pm.

Roll Call

Present:	Tom Perock, Town Chairman	John Klasen, Town Supervisor
	Randy Tremml, Town Supervisor	Randy Vandenack, Town Supervisor
	Kenneth VanDeHei, Town Supervisor	Judy Benz, Town Clerk-Treasurer
Excused:	Carrie Murphy-Auguston, Deputy Clerk	
	(See attached Roll Call Sign-In Sheet)	

Pledge of Allegiance – By all those in attendance

1. **Approve minutes from the Town Board Meeting held on April 28, 2008**

Motion was made by Supervisor VanDeHei to approve the minutes. Seconded by Supervisor Tremml. Motion carried.

2. **Discussion on Provisions for Placement of Sex Offenders**

Chairman Perock stated at the last town board meeting, the board began a dialog on the placement of sex offenders to determine if an ordinance should be adopted in reference to the issue. Mr. Jed Neuman from the Wisconsin Department of Corrections (DOC) was present to provide an overview of the DOC requirements and procedures for placing sex offenders following their release from incarceration. Mr. Neuman stated he was present to provide a fact finding mission. Mr. Neuman said there is no study or data that shows that an ordinance is effective. Mr. Neuman provided statistics on offenders, registration of offenders in the state of Wisconsin and stated that Brown County has 94% of sex offenders registered which is over the national average of 76% and the state average of 90%. Since Iowa has adopted placement ordinances, the registered sex offenders in that state has plummeted to 50% said Neuman. Mr. Neuman said the DOC does everything to the limit on monitoring the sex offender population by using electronic surveillance devices such as ankle bracelets and Global Positioning Systems (GPS). Supervisor Tremml asked if Mr. Neuman would recommend a loitering ordinance in reference to where sex offenders are allowed. Mr. Neuman stated he is not in a position to make any recommendations.

A motion was made by Supervisor Tremml to suspend the rules and open the floor for discussion. Seconded by Supervisor VanDeHei. Motion carried.

Bob Meulemans, Spring Lake Drive, commented that residents check the sex offender list website

because they are concerned. Mr. Meulemans asked if the monitoring of sex offenders continues because they are more apt to re-offend. Mr. Neuman stated that he is in no way condoning any offenses by this population but statistics show that other populations of criminal offenses such as burglary are more apt to re-offend than the population of sex offenders. Mr. Meulemans asked if the DOC provides counseling and Mr. Neuman stated that counseling is provided and generally is ordered by the judge.

Bill Lukes, Pond View Circle, stated that perhaps the Town of Lawrence should challenge the legality of the ordinance passed in the City of Green Bay and the Village of Ashwaubenon on placement of sex offenders.

Mr. Neuman indicated that other areas of Wisconsin have passed an ordinance relating to the placement of sex offenders making it difficult for the DOC to place the sex offender population. Mr. Neuman stated that local law enforcement is spending more time and effort enforcing the local sex offender placement ordinance.

Jon Kleuskens, Grant Street, suggested that perhaps a ratio could be used towards the placement of sex offenders in our community such as only allow a percentage based on per capita. At least the Town would not get an over abundance due to other communities prohibiting placement.

Motion was made by Supervisor Trembl to return to regular session. Seconded by Supervisor Klasen. Motion carried.

Supervisor VanDeHei stated the City of DePere is not doing anything on this issue at this time.

Chairman Perock thanked Mr. Neuman for his presentation and suggested the town may invite him back again in the future. No action

3. **Bids for New Police Squad/Chief Randy Bani**

A motion was made by Supervisor Trembl to approve the low bid in the amount of \$21,989.00 from Broadway Ford for a new police car. Seconded by Supervisor VanDeHei. Discussion: Supervisor Trembl suggested other costs will apply for additional equipment for the vehicle. Motion carried unanimously.

4. **Ashwaubenon Creek Segment 3 Agreement**

Utility Manager Greg Little provided information on the proposed Ashwaubenon Creek Agreement by Green Bay Metropolitan Sewer District (GBMSD) Supervisor Trembl suggested that the town may be able to do better on the proposed interest rate of 4.3% by the GBMSD. Motion was made by Supervisor Trembl to approve the Ashwaubenon Creek Segment 3 Agreement with consideration to other alternatives for financing the project. Seconded by Supervisor Vandack. Motion carried unanimously. (See agreement attached.)

5. **Authorize the Bidding Process for Sale of Crown Victoria Vehicle**

Motion was made by Supervisor VanDeHei to authorize the bidding process for the sale of the 1998 Crown Victoria. Seconded by Supervisor Klasen. Discussion: Advertising should be in the Green Bay Press Gazette and the Wisconsin State Farm Newspaper. Motion carried unanimously.

6. **Proposal to Manage Wetlands and Prairies at Storm Water Detention Ponds/McMahon**

Discussion was held on the managing of the wetlands for Carpenter's Crossing and the Business Park detention ponds. Supervisor VanDeHei suggested the price for the maintenance appeared to be high. It was the consensus of the Board that other options be explored. Motion was made by Supervisor Klasen to table this issue. Seconded by Supervisor Trembl. Motion carried.

7. **Grass cutting at CBCWA Booster Station on Pine Tree Road**

Kurt Minten stated that Manitowoc Public Works approached him about the town's interest in mowing the lawn at the booster station on Pine Tree Road for payment of \$30.00. Chairman Perock said it has been determined that our maintenance staff would need to load and unload a mower to bring to the site and he does not think \$30.00 would cover our costs. At that rate, the town would not be interested in providing mowing service. No action.

8. **Water/Sewer Utility Update/Greg Little**

Mr. Little stated he will have a proposal for the tower lettering in the near future. Chairman Perock stated the closing on the property for the tower is Thursday, May 15. Supervisor VanDeHei asked if any communications have been made with companies such as Cellcom for placing antennas on the tower. Mr. Little said he is working on that.

9. **Fire Department Update/Fire Chief Kurt Minten**

Chief Minten said the annual pump tests on the fire trucks was performed by the City of De Pere fire department. All testing was fine. Chief Minten stated the new turn out gear purchased through the grant has arrived. Chief Minten said the department is looking at purchasing a washing machine for cleaning of the new gear.

10. **Payment of due invoices and wages**

Motion was made by Supervisor Trembl to approve the due invoices and wages. Seconded by Supervisor Vandenaek. Motion carried.

11. **Future Agenda Items**

Land Sale
Road projects
Southern ByPass
Street Lights
Graffiti

12. **Public Comments**

Motion was made by Supervisor Trembl to suspend the rules and open the floor for comments. Seconded by Supervisor Klasen. Motion carried.

Bill Lukes, Pond View Circle, stated that a developer has a trash container on the Condominium complex with a hole in the bottom of the box. He suggested the town may want to check into it. Mr. Lukes also stated he is not satisfied with the trash pickup. His trash was not picked up and when he called Veolia, he said he was treated rudely. He asked when the trash contract comes due for the town and suggested we with check with other companies for service.

Larry Boldt, Little Rapids Road, said that National Waterworks is pile inventory above the fence line. Supervisor Vandenaek will stop at National Waterworks and talk to them about piling above the fence.

Bob Meulemans said he is working with Wisconsin Public Service to obtain pricing for streetlight installations for this year. He will bring further information to the next meeting for the purpose of prioritizing the installations.

With no further comments, a motion was made by Supervisor Klasen to return to regular session. Seconded by Supervisor Vandenaek. Motion carried.

13. **Adjourn**

A motion was made by Supervisor VanDeHei to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Supervisor Vandenaek. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:10PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy Benz, Town Clerk