

TOWN OF ANGELICA

Monthly Meeting February 13, 2017

Town Officials Present: Chairman Richard Smith, Supervisors Wilbert Lewis and Greg P. Van Asten, Treasurer Lisa Matuszak and Clerk Janet Powers

Town Officials Absent: None

Others Present: Town of Angelica Planning Commission Chairman Richard Ferfecki, Patrick Derpinghaus, Susan Pomprowitz, James & Connie Przybylski, James Mills, Ronald Banaszynski, Neal Van Donsel and Elmer Kraning

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call/Verification of Meeting Notice: Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. All town officials were present. The Clerk verified that the agenda was posted the afternoon of Saturday, February 11, 2017 at the town hall; put on the town website and also e-mailed to the Shawano Leader on February 11th.

Approval or Modification of Agenda: *MOTION (Lewis/Van Asten/PASSED)* to approve the agenda as posted.

Approval of Prior Town Board Minutes: *MOTION (Van Asten/Lewis/PASSED UNANIMOUSLY)* to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2017 regular town board meeting.

Approval of Treasurer's Monthly Report: The Treasurer's report was read by Treasurer Matuszak showing balances as of January 31, 2017 of \$145,711.36 in the First Merit Bank Checking Account and \$1,166,502.79 in the Premier Advantage Tax Account. *MOTION (Lewis/Van Asten/PASSED)* to approve the Treasurer's report as presented.

Correspondence: Correspondence reviewed was (1) notice of February 28, 2017 meeting of Shawano County Condemnation Commission regarding compensation for Thomas & Paula Maroszek by American Transmission Company (2) copy of letter from DNR to Steve Nooyen regarding withdrawal of an application for wetland fill or disturbance (3) e-mail update from Shawano County Zoning regarding the family fishing park project (4) notice of a continuous bond for Allan's Excavating by West Bend Insurance Company (5) memo from Shawano County Surveyor with a reminder to give the Surveyor notice of any road work that could affect Section Corners in the town (6) copies of agendas and minutes and request to post for the Bonduel School Board for January and February (7) copies of Pulaski Tri-County Fire Department January 2017 fire calls (8) letter from President of the Wisconsin Independent Assessing Officers Association asking the town to consider joining their organization, and (9) notice from the Wisconsin Asphalt Pavement Association regarding an upcoming seminar in Kimberly on March 9, 2017.

Reports from Town Officers:

Supervisor Lewis reported on a small but very deep pot hole on Elm Road near its intersection with STH-160; the snowplow hit the dead-end sign at Ernst and Julius Streets in Krakow and he had checked on the number of cars parked on the property at W4839 Main Street in Krakow. Lewis also reported on his attendance at the Wisconsin Towns Association District meeting at Carter on Saturday, February 11, 2017.

Supervisor Van Asten reported that he will be attending the WTA District meeting in Green Bay this coming Friday. Van Asten also stated that the Section Corner Monument at the intersection of Green Valley Road and Town Line should be checked out as the road is in bad condition in the intersection. He had talked with the County truck driver who sands the intersection of STH-32 and Center Street and was told that the salt/sand mixture could not have more than four percent salt in the mixture unless it was a hot mixture which is used right away because a mixture having more salt will turn hard like concrete when stored.

Chairman Smith reported: (1) at the N.E.W. January board meeting it was reported that there is \$13,313.78 in the General Fund of that \$4,351.21 is the balance for the 1st Responders and there is \$2,510.12 in the Equipment Fund. For the year 2016 there is a subsidy return of \$2.08 per capita and The Town of Angelica's share is \$3,768.96. A motion was passed that the member communities return \$2,000.00 of this subsidy to be put in the Equipment Fund and another \$3,000.00 will be due in July to go to the Equipment Fund. In December there were 57 runs and 13 no transports and for the year 2016 there were 470 patient contacts with 434 transports of which the Town of Angelica had 58. (2) during the past storm's icy conditions he received several upsetting e-mails regarding condition of the roads. All the roads in the town were sanded once and then they went back and sanded all of the intersections but the cold and cloudy weather conditions did not allow the salt/sand mixture to work as well as it should. Dips and potholes in the roads have been filled but there are still more that have to be taken care of.

Clerk Powers reported that there is just one ballot for the February 21, 2017 Primary Election which is for the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and also reported on an e-mail received from the County regarding giving notice that in the future "counties are not required to settle up special charges; and those costs will, therefore, remain with the local municipality until paid by the property owner. State law now states that razing costs will no longer be levied as a "special tax" and must now be levied as a "special charge". The town board was given copies of the 2016 Receipts and Disbursements Compared to Budget, the 2016 Financial Statement for the town and was informed that the Year End Reconciliation has been verified and signed by the Town Treasurer and the Town Clerk.

Report from Town Planning Commission Chairman/County Board Supervisor ~ District 11:

Richard Ferfecki reported that emergency Code Red has now been implemented and this can be put on phones as an app which can be obtained by contacting the County Dispatch Center. The County is paying for maintenance of this service and it will cross county lines. The Public Safety Committee has been meeting with the Sheriff Department and fire chiefs and a future meeting will include EMS personnel. The County is continuing to work on a new evidence storage building and contributions from the Tribe and the City of Shawano have been offered for this project. Consideration is also being given to bonding for the project. In March there will be an audit of the Shawano County Landfill and it then should be known where everyone stands in regard to fees and charges.

Public Comments: Elmer Kraning had a comment and question as to why the County snowplow plowed out the town hall parking lot but didn't plow out the road in front of it.

Specific Matters for Discussion and Possible Action by Town Board in Open Session:

a. Properties in Krakow where there have been complaints about were reviewed:

- (1) A letter from an attorney representing Bryan Nowak, co-owner of Krakow Development at N4843 Main Street, stated that Nowak is in the process of resolving the problem with his co-owner and understands that something must be done with the building and will keep the town informed of any progress. The co-owner had given the Town Treasurer a check for taxes that came back NSF and later on Nowak gave the Treasurer a check to cover this NSF check and fees. The clerk was instructed to write a letter to the attorney asking that he keep the town up to date on what is happening in regard to this property.

- (2) At the present time it has not been determined who owns the property located at W290 Angelica Street in Krakow inasmuch as the owner is deceased and the sole heir, a daughter, has refused to take over ownership of it. There is over \$60,000.00 owed Shawano County for a special clean-up charge, back taxes and interest. Attorney Lubinski advised the town that forcing the property to go through probate would establish ownership or appointment of a personal representative. Attorney Lubinski also recommended that there be an inspection of the property that discloses no environmental problems before pursuing ownership of this property. Supervisor Van Asten also had checked with a Wisconsin Towns Association attorney and was given several options. Van Asten contacted the USDA, the Urban Towns Association, the WEDC about a Brownfields Grant, and talked to two attorneys who specialize in real estate. The attorneys both advised that the property would have to go through probate and then a creditor could put a claim against the property and also told Van Asten that going through probate would not force the town or county to take over ownership. The general consensus was to get an estimate on what forcing the property to go through probate would cost.
- (3) Property at the site of an old feed mill/store located at W280 Angelica Street in Krakow is owned by James Swiecichowski. The building could be considered an eyesore but the building is secured. The last contact regarding this property was with Attorney John Thiel who was representing Swiecichowski in this matter. It was suggested that a letter be written to Attorney Thiel asking for an update on the status of this property.
- (4) Regarding the property at N4823 Main Street in Krakow owned by Jacqueline Bruskiwicz, Planning Commission Chairman Richie Ferfecki has been working on obtaining a grant through Shawano County Social Services to correct/update the electrical service to this property. Supervisor Van Asten reported that Bruskiwicz's daughter had informed him that they had provided detailed information to Shawano County Social Services sometime around the 1st of January and had not heard anything back.
- (5) Supervisor Lewis reported that as far as he could determine there are four vehicles without licenses and two vehicles with licenses at the property located at W4839 Main Street in Krakow and owned by Douglas Thomas. Supervisor Van Asten also reported that he counted three vehicles with licenses and four additional vehicles that were parked on the property. The clerk was instructed to write a letter to Thomas informing him there has been a complaint about the number of vehicles parked around his building and ask that he come to the March town board meeting to discuss this matter.

Specific Town Board Notice and Agenda for Upcoming Town Board Meeting: The next town board meeting will be held on Monday, March 13, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

Voucher Listing/Payment of Bills: *MOTION (Lewis/Van Asten/PASSED UNANIMOUSLY)* to approve payment of vouchers V-7790 through V-7833.

Adjournment: *MOTION (Van Asten/Lewis/PASSED)* to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

MINUTES TAKEN BY _____ **Date** _____
 Janet Powers, Town of Angelica Clerk

The foregoing minutes were presented to and approved by the Town of Angelica Board of Supervisors on 3/13/2017.
 They were approved without correction approved with correction

ATTEST: _____ **Date** _____
 Town of Angelica Chairman

