

**Town Meeting  
Town of Buffalo  
July 14, 2008**

The Chairman called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Jean Rataczak, Jan Banicki, Donna Seddon, Fred Wollenburg, Mary-Anne Raab  
Others: Dorothy Schwochert, Tom Ellington, Wes Buss, Tiffany Lodholz, Karen Wollenburg, Joel Burbach

Agenda

Fred Wollenburg, seconded by Mary-Anne Raab, made a motion to add Road Update to old business and approve the agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

Minutes

Jan Banicki, seconded by Mary-Anne Raab, made a motion to accept the June 9th, 2008 meeting minutes as read. All in favor, motion carried.

Finance Reports

Jean Rataczak gave the Treasurer's report. Discussion followed.

The CD for the Fireman Fund II has matured. Discussion followed. Fred Wollenburg, seconded by Jan Banicki, made a motion to invest the Fireman Fund II into a 3.13% yield 13 month CD at 1<sup>st</sup> National Bank of Montello. All in favor, motion carried. Jean Rataczak will also set up a Town account in the State Investment Pool.

Donna Seddon gave the budget report. Discussion followed.

Fred Wollenburg, seconded by Jan Banicki, made a motion to accept the finance reports as read. All in favor, motion carried.

Citations Update

- A. Dean Schwersinski – No response from Mr. Schwersinski. This was tabled until the August Town Meeting when Charles Church, Town Attorney, will be available.
- B. William and Shirley Dieckow –A letter to the County Property Committee will be sent after this meeting requesting clean up of the property prior to sale. The County Treasurer has indicated that the County has received an offer on the property and would like a representative from the Town at the August 4<sup>th</sup> Property Committee Meeting. The Town will receive a letter of explanation prior to the meeting.

Rustic Road Update

It will take 30 days to manufacture the Rustic Road signs. The Highway Department will install the signs. Ron Kerl (\$40) and David Boehm (\$80) agreed to let the Town use their donations to pay the cost of installation. Margarete Worthington offered but has not yet made a donation.

US Cellular—Cell Tower request

We have received no more information. Erik Brynildson emailed that his place possesses a National Historic Landmark status and cell towers are not to be visible from a historical landmark. Discussion followed.

### Town Picnic update

Karen Wollenburg reported that the Picnic will start at Noon on August 9<sup>th</sup>. Discussion followed on how to advertise the picnic and the costs involved. Ads will be sent to the Marquette County Record and the Rural Rambler.

### Road Update

Golden Road/Marsh Road and Berry Road had flood damage. FEMA is offering 75% reimbursement to counties with flood damaged roads. The Highway Department will submit all the damages to roads in our county to FEMA. An email from Margarete Worthington was received requesting removal of the large tree by Buffalo Hills Road. Discussion followed. The tree is on the list for road maintenance and will be taken care of after the flood damage is repaired. 13<sup>th</sup> Road still has drainage problems and it has grown worse with the rain. Discussion followed.

### Recycle Center Maintenance

- a. Update sign phone numbers – the sign was made by the Highway Department. The phone numbers should be changed to Fred Wollenburg's and Donna Seddon's. The hours for Wednesday will be changed to 5-7 pm.
- b. Repair of dusk to dawn light and light pole-- Mary-Anne Raab contacted Adams-Columbia Electric and they are looking into donating the pole and light as a public service to the Town.
- c. New sign explaining after hours dumping—The Town will develop a sign stating the ordinance that prohibits dumping after hours and that offenders will be prosecuted.
- d. Repair of Lawn-- Mary-Anne Raab will check with Steve to see if he can bring his bobcat over to level and move dirt. Fred Wollenburg will check with the Highway Department as to the cost of black dirt.

### Correspondence

None.

### Citizen and Board Concerns

- a. Meeting for Land Conservation, Easements, and Land Trusts, July 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30-8:00 pm at the Town Hall.
- b. Marquette County Democratic Picnic—Sunday, July 20<sup>th</sup> at 1-4 pm at the City of Montello Park.
- c. Joanie Kreiser rental of Town Hall—she would like to rent the Town Hall the weekend of Halloween. Donna Seddon will contact her about the exact dates since the Public Test for the Presidential Election will be on Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### Review and Approve Vouchers

The vouchers were presented and discussed. Jan Banicki, seconded by Mary-Anne Raab, made a motion to pay said vouchers. All in favor, motion carried.

### Affirm next Meeting Date

The next Town Meeting will be Monday, August 11th, 2008 at 7 p.m.

### Business Concluded

Mary-Anne Raab, seconded by Jan Banicki, made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Donna Seddon, Town Clerk