

**Town Meeting
Town of Buffalo
June 13, 2011**

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Jean Rataczak, Jan Banicki, Donna Seddon, Fred Wollenburg, Mary-Anne Raab.
Others: Charles Church, Scott Hewitt, Joel Burbach, David Rieckmann, David Seddon, Lynn Schwochert, Dennis Schwochert.

Agenda

Jan Banicki, seconded by Mary-Anne Raab, made a motion to approve the agenda as read. All in favor, motion carried.

Minutes

Jan Banicki, seconded by Mary-Anne Raab, made a motion to approve the May 9, 2011 meeting minutes as read. All in favor, motion carried.

Mary-Anne Raab, seconded by Jan Banicki, made a motion to approve the May 25, 2011 meeting minutes as read. All in favor, motion carried.

Jan Banicki, seconded by Mary-Anne Raab, made a motion to approve the May 31, 2011 Public Hearing meeting minutes as read. All in favor, motion carried.

Jan Banicki, seconded by Mary-Anne Raab, made a motion to approve the May 31, 2011 meeting minutes as read. All in favor, motion carried.

Finance Reports

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

Donna Seddon gave the budget report. Discussion followed.

Mary-Anne Raab, seconded by Jan Banicki, made a motion to accept the finance reports as read. All in favor, motion carried.

Review of Building Permits

Permits were reviewed.

Request for Property Tax Adjustment

- A. Brent E. Carlson, W2094 Cnty Road B, Dalton #002-00411-0000. No one was present to represent Brent E. Carlson.
- B. Dennis & Lynn Schwochert, N1045 14th Rd., Montello #002-00685-0000. Taxes and assessment for 2010 were reviewed. Jan Banicki, second by Mary-Anne Raab, made a motion to reduce the 2010 appraisal by \$23,000 based on the reduced square footage and grade factor. All in favor, motion carried.

Exchange of Land Between Adjacent Landowners

- A. Ervin & Christina Miller, W2727 CTH B, Montello (Lot 1) and Mahlon Miller, W2724 CTH B, Montello (Lots 2, 3, 4). Scott Hewitt explained the exchange. Mary-Anne Raab, second by Jan Banicki, made a motion to accept the proposed exchange. Yes-2, No-1. Motion carried.
- B. Hickory Ridge Montello LLC., 597 8th St., Fond du Lac and Carl & Lisa Griepentrog, W2372 Grouse Rd., Montello. Scott Hewitt explained the exchange. Jan Banicki, second by Mary-Anne Raab, made a motion to accept the proposed exchange. All in favor, motion carried.

Liquor and Tobacco License Requests for 2011-2012

Woods & Goods is applying for a liquor class A to be consumed off of the premises and tobacco licenses. Wilderness Campgrounds, Inc. is applying for a liquor class A to be consumed off of the premises license. Mary-Anne Raab, second by Fred Wollenburg, made a motion to approve the licenses. Yes-2, No-0, Abstain-1(Jan Banicki). Motion carried.

Road Tour

1. Grouse Road east of 13th road approximately 1,400 feet or .5 miles of asphalt and shouldering.
2. Fox Drive. .341 miles of asphalt, compacted gravel, shouldering, clear easements, and install culverts if needed.
3. 14th Road 1,800 feet of asphalt, and shouldering.

Mary-Anne Raab, second by Jan Banicki, made a motion to approve repair of the above roads in the order indicated not to exceed \$80,000. All in favor, motion carried.

Redistricting from 2010 Census

Jan Banicki, second by Mary-Anne Raab, made a motion to approve a Public Hearing on July 11, 2011 prior to the Town Board Meeting for redistricting. All in favor, motion carried.

Resolution #2011-3 Appointment of Land Use Planning Member

Jan Banicki, second by Mary-Anne Raab, made a motion to approve the resolution to reappoint Wesley Buss to the Land Use Planning Commission. All in favor, motion carried.

Correspondence

- A. Letter of Census information.
- B. Letter of Urban Forestry Projects that would cost share with the UW.
- C. Fire Inspection Report—Replace outside outlet at front of building.
- D. Columbia County Planning changes to their comprehensive plan for August.
- E. Email from Rich Rygiewicz complaining about the mowing and trimming.

Citizen and Board Concerns

- A. We are signed up with Marquette County's Staples Advantage Program.
- B. 2011 Picnic. Mary-Anne Raab, second by Jan Banicki, made a motion to approve the theme of Town of Buffalo and John Muir Park Relationship. All in favor, motion carried. The picnic will be advertised in the newspaper too.

- C. Town Summer Newsletter. Have it ready for mailing at next meeting.
- D. Discussion concerning Muir Park. It is suggested that the Town Chair write a letter to Pat Kilbey and Howard Zellmer requesting a new sign concerning motors in the Park and indicating the ordinance number. The John Muir Legacy Group will contact the Parks and Rural Planning Committee about the other concerns they have.
- E. The owners of Weynand's Island are requesting a building permit for a storage shed. This was denied because of the high water mark leaves little buildable land. The owners are now requesting to build a tree house.

Review and Approve Vouchers

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

Affirm Meeting Dates

The next Town Board Meeting – July 11, 2011 following the Public Hearing at 7 p.m.

Business Concluded

Mary-Anne Raab, seconded by Jan Banicki, made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

Submitted by Donna Seddon, Town Clerk