

**MINUTES OF THE  
TOWN OF OCONTO FALLS  
October 10, 2016 MEETING**

**Regular meeting at 7:00 P.M. TOWN HALL**

**Chairman: Dave Alsteen**

**Supervisors: Vic Peterson, Mike Kaczmarek**

**Treasurer: Sue Konitzer**

**Clerk: Jan Betts**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. Roll call was taken with all members present. Also present were Mary Renel, Terry Renel, Randy Schlorf and representatives of the ambulance service – Amy Brauer and Kristin Alberts. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Dave made a motion to amend the agenda, Mike seconded. Motion carried.

There was a question about how the poll workers were used in the September minutes. It was suggested that part be removed from the minutes. Mike made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Vic seconded. Motion carried.

Vic moved to approve the bills. Mike seconded. Motion carried.

Amy Brauer was representing the ambulance service and was at the meeting to explain the new contract. It will be a 5 year contract and it is expected that will help with the costs. A 1% increase per year is built into the contract. The cost will be looking toward the population base increase. There was a discussion about the need for back-up ambulance service and the probability of using the fire department as first responders. They would need to attend certification classes in order to serve in that capacity. They are working on contracts for mutual aid with other towns. The contract will be approved on Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>. Dave suggested that they come to the annual meeting in April.

The town will have a 3 year contract with the Oconto County for recycling. Prior to this, there was money available to fund the recycling services. The money has since dried up and the city wants to share expenses and is suggesting a 50/50

split. That will depend on who is responsible for paying the attendant. It was suggested that Dave propose a 60/40 split. The estimated cost will be \$37,623.

GAD will honor the G & S contract for 2017. After that there will be an increase 1.5% per year.

The board will meet on Oct 24<sup>th</sup> to finalize the budget. It was decided that the November meeting will start at 6 PM with the discussion of the tax levy, the proposed 2017 budget, salaries, and the highway grants. The regular meeting will immediately follow.

The next road construction will be Degantown Road. Pat Scanlan said that the town could do half the road, from CC to Sandy Corners, next year at a cost of approximately \$125,000. The town would get the grant of \$18,172.34. Then the second half would be done the following year.

Dave said that he heard from Custom Fabrication and there will be a delay in delivery of the new fire truck. The board felt that this delay should be compensated in some way.

There was a proposal to raise the salaries of the treasurer and the supervisors that would need to be plugged into the 2017 budget. Dave proposed a \$500 raise for the supervisors and a \$1000 raise for the treasurer. The chairman's and the clerk's salaries were already raised at the 2015 Annual meeting.

Randy Schlorf asked the board how they would like to receive copies of the new Community Plan. The costs are;

Color map - \$35, this is a full map

Bound copies - \$225 each

Small maps - \$5

The planning commission will meet again after the first of the year. Dave will meet with Randy when we know where the money for the materials will be coming from.

There was a discussion as to whether the board would need to vote on transferring money from another category in order to pay for the shortfall in the garbage pick-up.

The R & R Assessors contract was approved.

Dave said that the canvas water tanks are leaking and his research said that it would be \$995 each to replace both of the tanks. The board agreed that they needed to be replaced and there was money in the account to pay for them.

Vic made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mick seconded. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.

Jan Betts, Clerk