

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF BARNES MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING

Tuesday –April 24, 2018
6:30 PM in the Barnes Town Hall

UNAPPROVED

Chairperson Chris Webb called the Monthly Town Board Meeting to order at 7:10 PM. The board is re-convening after adjourning the meeting with Zech Gotham of Morgan & Parmley and members of the RROW Committee where roll call was taken to establish a quorum with Tom Emerson, Seana Frint, Donna Porter and Zach Desrosiers in attendance as well as Eric Altman. Judy Bourassa verified public notice.

The pledge of allegiance to the flag was said by all.

Motion to approve the agenda and the minutes of the 3/20/2018 Monthly Board Meeting and the 3/1, 3/12, 3/15, 3/20, 3/22 and 3/27/2018 Special Board Meetings and to dispense with the reading of those minutes.

Motion was made (Porter/Frint) to approve the minutes of the 3/20/2018 Monthly Board Meeting and the 3/1, 3/12, 3/15, 3/20, 3/22 and 3/27/2018 Special Board Meetings and to dispense with the reading of those minutes. A voice vote was taken, motion carried.

Motion made (Porter/Desrosiers) to open the floor. Voice vote taken, motion carried.

Public Comment Session – Fred Barnes said he is confused about the speed limits on Lake Road. Webb stated prior to the re-design of the road, the speed limit was 55 mph. He asked what is the speed limit from the bridge at the Upper to the Cabin Store. The board responded it is 55 mph. Zech Gotham stated that a Regional DOT engineer study would have to be done to reduce the speed. Fred asked why the 35 mph signs are posted and there is a 25 mph sign near Felix Rd. The Roads and Property Foreman, Eric Altman, will check the signs and get it corrected.

Lee Wiesner spoke regarding the area near the bridge between the Upper and Birch Lake Rd. Lee also spoke in regard to the waterski ordinance and the comments made at the annual meeting about not having any issues and he said the reason there aren't many issues is because of the ordinance.

Motion made (Porter/Desrosiers) to close the floor. Voice vote taken, motion carried.

Clerk Correspondence-

- a) Review/approval of invoice from Morgan & Parmley

Motion made (Emerson/Desrosiers) to approve the payment to Morgan & Parmley in the amount of \$9,477.40 for the period 8/1/17-3/31/18. Voice vote taken, motion carried.

- b) Resolution #18-02- budget amendment to add accounts for TLP Surface Water Grant

Motion made (Porter/Desrosiers) to approve the budget amendment #18-02. Voice vote taken, motion carried.

- c) Review of Cemetery Sexton job description. He would be paid at a rate of \$16.00/hr (approximately 3 hours) for burials in addition to the Cemetery Sexton annual salary of \$1,800.00.

Motion made (Emerson/Frint) to approve the duties as outlined on job description as submitted. Voice vote taken, motion carried.

- d) Forestry cutting notices-notice on the back table

Vouchers approval –March vouchers

Motion was made (Desrosiers/Frint) to approve March vouchers. Voice vote taken, motion carried.

Clerk/Treasurer Report: Judy Bourassa

The March Treasurer's Report prepared by Bourassa was reviewed.

Motion was made (Emerson/Desrosiers) to approve the March Treasurer's report. Voice vote taken, motion carried.

Highway Department -Monthly Roads Report-Eric Altman read his report. Greg Martin asked that the roots be removed from the Tomahawk Lake Ski Trail where clover will be planted sometime in July. Volunteers are encouraged to complete a pledge form which is available on the town website and at the town office.

Fire & Ambulance Departments – Tom Renz did not have a printed report but reported 2 ambulance calls, 0 fire calls. He proposed purchasing a modem and phone from Verizon that would allow EMS providers to connect with emergency physicians en route to the hospital while entering vital information about the patient via an app called "Twiage". It is HIPPA compliant so no information would be saved on the phone. Currently the ambulance has a flip phone in the ambulance that would not be able to use this app. The modem cost is \$39.50/mo with unlimited data. The phone can be purchased for \$.99 with a credit of \$100 on your bill. The cost of the phone would be \$45/mo.

Motion made (Desrosiers/Emerson) to approve the purchase of a Verizon phone with a minutes plan to be used by the Ambulance Service with the Ambulance Director on the plan. Tom will reimburse the Town for a portion of the cost. Voice vote was taken, motion carried.

Constable Monthly Report from Mike O'Keefe –no report was received

TOB Committee and Commission Reports

- a) A.I.S. Committee-Lee Wiesner
 1. Board review of Statement of Understanding for Safe Diving Practices-The board will review and it will be discussed further at the next monthly board meeting
 2. Plans for BAISS Boat for 2018-Sand Bar and Tomahawk Lakes
 3. CBCW monitors for 2018-Doug Stearly, Gene Pease and John Loughren
 4. Volunteer luncheon will be May 4th in the Town Hall-
 5. Grant extensions for George, Upper and Middle –letters were prepared and Chairperson

Webb signed the letters to be submitted

The Grant expenses were reviewed along with the reimbursements received

b) Parks & Rec Committee

1. Health Infrastructure Grant – use for Town Park, application due 4/30.
2. Development of Tomahawk Lake Park Trail Grooming Plan and Volunteer Agreement
3. Timetable for continued expansion of Tomahawk Lake Park amenities under Grant Requirements-Zech Gotham provided a site plan to the board in the earlier meeting

The base for the walking trail around the Town Park was discussed – it has been suggested to use bark instead of pea gravel. The board asked Eric to gather some samples for the board to consider.

Chairperson Webb asked if any other committees had any updates for the board and Guy Johnston said the EMS Committee will meet again on May 18th. They met with Mitch of Sawyer County and will meet with the county representative in regard to a community paramedic.

Action Items and Timeline- they were reviewed and updated

Motion made (Porter/Frint) to adjourn the Monthly Board Meeting. Voice vote taken, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:48PM.

These minutes represent the general subject matter discussed in the meeting but do not reflect a verbatim documentation of the subjects and conversation that took place.

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