Lenroot Town Board Meeting Lenroot Town Hall 12215 N US Hwy 63, Hayward WI January 11, 2016, @6:30 pm

**Present:** Chairman Christians, Supervisor Hoff, Supervisor Sjostrom, Sjostrom, Clerk Carol Stone, Treasurer Rebecca Brunner-Stroede

Supervisor Jason

## PLEADGE OF ALLEGIENCE:

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Supervisor Sjostrom made a motion to approve the December 14, 2015 minutes as written. Supervisor Hoff 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor. 4 yes, 0 no. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF TREASURER REPORT:** Supervisor Jason Sjostrom made a motion to approve the January 11, 2016, Treasurers Report. Supervisor Hoff 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor. 4 yes, 0 no. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF CLERK FINANCIAL REPORT:** Supervisor Hoff made a motion to approve the January 11, 2016 Clerks Report. Supervisor Sjostrom 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor. 4 yes, 0 no. Motion carried.

**Trid Grant Monies:** Supervisor Hoff made a motion to use the TRID grant monies [\$54,729.49] to pay down the bank loan. Said monies will be applied to the loan principal. Supervisor Sjostrom 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor. 4 yes, 0 no. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC INPUT: Kerry Myhra** representing the **Seeley Lions Club** is requesting the town to work with them in regard to the continued upgrade of the Silverthorne Park. Supervisor Jason Sjostrom volunteered to work with them on behalf of the township.

**Bill Wilcox:** informed the town board of the meeting regarding Togagatic Dam. The meeting will be held at the Hayward High School on Wedneday, January 13<sup>th</sup> @6:pm. The Board agreed that the chairman should write a letter regarding Togagatic Dam and present at the meeting. Chairman Christians will draft a letter, stating township is not in favor of removing the dam,

**Mr. Wilcox** also stated the Nelson Lake Fishing event is January 17th, 2016 and another "Fish Sticks" project is planned for January  $20^{th}$ . They expect to drop 75 - 80 trees on south side of the big Island.

**Dan Dums:** re. #1. CAPO Site Ordinance. This applies to concentrated farm animal production operation and the animal waste produced plus the possible need for high capacity wells. Mr. Dums is concerned that the ground water may be contaminated and wants to know if Plan Committee is aware. #2. **Togagatic Dam.** Mr. Dums feels the Board should take opposition to this project. #3. **Property taxes.** Re: 34% tax increase. Chairman Christians stated, by taking out the loan for \$170,000.00, this effected the levy and more loans will be needed in the future to cover the cost of new equipment. Hopefully the total amount of the levy for the township will remain about the same as this year. The loan was for \$170,000.00 to be paid back in two (2) years. That amount approximately \$87,000.00, is added to the levy (total amount of tax collected by township).

**Robert Swenson:** Dr. Swenson thought the residents should be educated regarding the tax information. Chairman Christians stated an informational letter was enclosed with the tax statements.

**OLD BUSINESS:** The Phipps Memorial License has been amended to allow more plaques on the memorial. Ms. Beaver is responsible to inform her patrons regarding the license requirements for said memorial.

**ELECTION BALLOT POSITION:** Chairman Christians drew the names out of a basket, the positions are as follows: **Position #1.** Jason Sjostrom **Position #2.** Steven Kariainen, **Position #3.** Ronald Poppe

**ZONING:** Dane Amundson Conditional Use Application – Supervisor Hoff made a motion to continue the **Table** status until the February town board meeting. Supervisor Sjostrom 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor. 4 yes-0 no. Motion carried.

**American Birkebeiner Race Application:** Supervisor Sjostrom made a motion to approve the race application. Supervisor Jason Sjostrom 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor. 4 yes, 0 no. Motion carried.

**Birkie Tour Picnic Liquor License Application:** Supervisor Sjostrom made a motion to approve the Picnic Liquor License Application. Supervisor Hoff 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor. 4 yes, 0 no. Motion carried.

Liquor License Applications & Fees: discussion placed on February Agenda

Mosquito Brook Road vs County Hwy T: The discussion with the county is about changing the jurisdiction responsible for these roads.

Town Audit: the Board noted the Township is in the process of getting started with the audit.

**2016 Road Schedule: Old OO** \$100,000.00. **Sonby** \$50000.00. **Town Hall Rd** \$3000.00.

Thannum Fire Lane: \$17,000.00.

**ROAD/BRIDGE REPORT:** The chairman explained his decision concerning snowplowing

on January 8<sup>th</sup>.

**CORRESPONDENCE: None** 

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:** Supervisor Sjostrom made a motion to approve the Federal and State Withholding Internet Payments and check series #26816 thru #26554 and the January, 2016 total expense of \$41,642.63. Supervisor Hoff 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor. 4 yes, 0 no. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Supervisor Hoff made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Jason Sjostrom 2<sup>nd</sup> the meeting. All in favor. 4 yes, 0 no. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 1/11/2016 @7:20 pm Respectfully submitted by: Carol Stone , Clerk

Gordon Christians, Chairman