

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF HULL BOARD MEETING  
COUNTY OF PORTAGE, WISCONSIN  
HELD ON MONDAY MARCH 12, 2018

01) Call to order by Acting Chair David Pederson at 5:30 p.m. at the Hull Municipal Building, 4550 Wojcik Memorial Dr., Stevens Point, WI 54482.

Present: Acting Chair Pederson, Supervisor Dave Wilz and Rick Stautz.

Excused: Chair John Holdridge and Supervisor Jan Way.

Others present: Clerk Janet Wolle, Treasurer Jim Kruziki, Secretary/Deputy Clerk Barb Brilowski, Road Foreman Pete Kaminski, Fire Chief Ken Sadogierski and Assistant Chief/EMS Administrator Mark Fritsche.

02) Pledge of Allegiance

03) Minutes - November 16, December 27, 2017 and January 8, February 12 and February 21, 2018

Motion Supervisor Stautz, second Supervisor Wilz, **approve the February 12, 2018 board minutes**. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion Supervisor Stautz, second Supervisor Wilz, **approve the February 21, 2018 board minutes**. Motion carried by voice vote.

04) Vouchers

Motion Supervisor Wilz, second Supervisor Stautz, **approve payment of vouchers presented**. Motion carried by voice vote.

05) Public Comments. Agenda items are for discussion with possible action. Those in attendance who would like to talk to an agenda item, please indicate that now. Non-agenda items may be raised under Opinions of Interest (Item 7 below)

Pederson:

- The signed Well #11 Agreement has been received

Wilz:

- Settlement should be received within 30 days
- Have an implementation process
- Put in monitoring wells → in heart of well #11 map

Pederson:

- Portage County conducted water sampling. The report – ask them to make a report in Hull as well in addition to the other municipalities at which report was given

- Hull roads will be posted effective Monday March 19
- Jewell Engineering has begun soil testing on North Second Dr
- Have a printout of where county tax dollars go – this is available to the public

Bryan Lockman, DNR Conservation Warden was present:

- Came to introduce himself
- Available to Hull as needed
- DNR has new water specialist, Scott Henke

06) Report of public issues facing Town of Hull - Hull Chairperson and Hull Town Clerk

Wolle:

32 absentee ballots processed and mailed today.

Arizona – 6

Florida – 3

Illinois – 1

Remainder local

1 absentee ballot was processed on-line for a military voter as well.

In-Person absentee voting begins March 13.

07) Opinions of Interest – citizens, Hull citizens, Hull staff, Hull elected officials or appointed officials.

Wolle – Chair Holdridge has postponed the March 20 Plan Commission meeting. It will be rescheduled for April 10 or 24. Possibly Vice-Chair Bob Enright was not available to conduct the March 20 meeting.

08) YMCA request to use Hull roads for the YMCA Point Duathlon on Saturday July 14, 2018

Kelsey Wanserski, YMCA representative present regarding the YMCA Point Duathlon.

Roads to be used in Hull: Wilshire Dr, Jordan Rd, Willow Springs Dr and North Reserve Dr.

Brilowski: Contact Hull to learn if roads have been chip sealed.

Kaminski: Will be doing chip sealing but do not know what roads yet.

Wilz: Reminder, let citizens get in and out of their driveways.

Motion Supervisor Wilz, **approve use of Hull roads for the YMCA Point Duathlon on Saturday July 14, 2018.** Motion seconded by Supervisor Stautz. Motion carried by voice vote.

09) 2018 Reeder's Ruck & Run – April 28, 2018 – Sponsored by the Ranger Club of UWSP

Alexa Englund, representative from UWSP ROTC present.

Reeder's Ruck & Run will use Old Wausau Road and DuBay Avenue.

Wilz: Reminders do not mark roads with paint and make sure citizens can get in and out of their driveways.

Motion Supervisor Stautz, **approve use of Hull roads for the 2018 Reeder's Ruck & Run on April 28, 2018.** Motion seconded by Supervisor Wilz Motion carried by voice vote.

#### 10) Clean Water Protection Resolution – Supervisor David Pederson

Pederson:

- Drew up resolution
  - o Time window towns and county can address damages (June 1)
  - o Safety and welfare of citizens of Hull important
  - o Urge Portage County Board of Supervisors to write ordinance.

Motion Supervisor Wilz, **approve the Clean Water Protection Resolution.** Motion seconded by Supervisor Stautz. Motion carried by voice vote.

#### 11) Additional Election Board for the 2018-19 Election Term

Wolle:

- ✓ Hull has five (5) fewer election board members for 2018-19 than had for 2016-17
- ✓ Request for the Democratic Party – Jan Way
- ✓ Request unaffiliated – Dan Dietrich, Madge Bishop and Megan O'Brien
  
- ✓ Regarding Jan – Bill 85 authorizing elected officials to work as an election inspector provided they are not on the ballot, has not yet been signed by Governor Walker. Last week I talked with two individuals in the governor's office and sent an email to the governor requesting he sign the bill as soon as possible prior to the April 3, 2018 Spring Election. Jan is aware of this.
  
- ✓ She also knows the people at the Annual Meeting will have to authorize paying her. As per Attorney Carol Nawrocki of the Wisconsin Towns Association the people at the Annual Meeting must:
  - Approve an hourly wage for elected officials to do work other than their elected responsibilities or,
  - Approve an hourly rate for a specific situation (Jan working as inspector)
  
- ✓ So pleased we have Megan O'Brien a student at SPASH interested in working at the polls. Megan came in and talked with me on February 20<sup>th</sup>. Megan is the third student from SPASH to work at the polls over the past several years.

Pederson: Peoples names have been removed from the voter registration list by the state. Janet has learned a listing of these individuals will be provided at the April election so they do not have to re-register.

Motion Supervisor Wilz, **approve appointment of the following to serve on the 2018-19 Election Board: Jan Way, Dan Dietrich, Madge Bishop and Megan O'Brien.** Motion seconded by Supervisor Stautz. Motion carried by voice vote.

12)Resolution - authorize Town Treasurer and Town Clerk to sign on behalf of the Town to do business with **Investors Community Bank** as approved by the Town Board of Supervisors

Kruziki: Transfer excess funds to Investor's Community Bank at a higher rate of interest. The resolution is required by the bank.

Motion Supervisor Wilz, second Supervisor Stautz, **approve resolution authorize Town Treasurer and Town Clerk to sign on behalf of the Town of Hull to do business with Investors Community Bank.** Motion carried by voice vote.

13)Operator's license application(s) for: Amber Orlikowski, Sarah Inman

Motion Supervisor Stautz, second Supervisor Wilz, **grant Operator's licenses to Amber Orlikowski and Sarah Inman as per the recommendation of Clerk Wolle.** Motion carried by voice vote.

14)Agreement between Scott and Dayna Van Order and the Town of Hull regarding Van Orders' excessive tax assessment claim

Pederson: Received a call from Attorney Konkol stating the Van Order's are going to sign the agreement.

Wilz: They are willing to abide by the decision of the 2018 Board of Review relating to the assessment on their home at 420 Maple Bluff Road

- o Board of Review will be held on June 14

Motion Supervisor Stautz, motion seconded by Supervisor Wilz, **approve the agreement between Scott and Dayna Van Order and the Town of Hull regarding Van Orders' excessive tax assessment claim.** Motion carried by voice vote.

15)Fire Department roof/ceiling

Sadogierski:

- Two (2) weeks ago noticed dripping from the roof
- Dry wall sagged and grew pulling nails thru the dry wall

Wilz:

- First warm day found pooling of water on the roof
- Pete found and repaired seam that had separated
- Contacted a local firm that does mold mitigation
  - o Equipment that reads moisture levels

- Start of mold growing from this event
- Cost of \$500
- Do not know if done leaking
- Safe to use room
- Driers at the FD now as things really got saturated
- By mid-week equipment will be removed
- Not going to close up until sure leak is done
- It appears we have taken care of the problem for now

Sadogierski: possibly the concrete is cracking

Fritsche: Thank you for the quick response and action

## 16) Spring Newsletter items

Pederson:

- A memo was put together by Janet regarding John's editorial

Wolle:

- I don't know if everyone has had the opportunity to read John's article
- The memo I wrote to John on March 7<sup>th</sup>
- I am concerned about the article going out in the newsletter at all period, but definitely before an election
- In the article he talked about the Russians and the tampering (interference in the 2016 election) but there was no evidence Russians tampered with the ballots. He talked about the media and Congress
- I feel very strongly that is not what the people of the Town of Hull are looking for in a Town of Hull newsletter
- In my memo I asked him to talk with me about the article before he left on vacation. We did that
- We agreed to disagree
- What the board is reading "Democracy At Risk" is edited from original called "Democracy – Does Democracy have a Future?" He just added a few things to the article
- I feel that part of John's article which talks about the Town of Hull and having very active citizen participation in public activities and have high voter turnouts, etc is excellent

Stautz: What else do we have at this point in time planned to go in the newsletter?

Wolle:

- Barb is putting it together
- The main thing people are looking for are the compost hours and when is the spring clean-up
- I have an item about the upcoming elections – it is not long. Includes a reminder if they want to vote absentee ballot or register to vote
- Barb has been waiting for something from Pete regarding the roads
- Rick did you happen to do anything about North Second
- Did not receive anything from the FD or EMS yet

Stautz:

- I looked at the letter sent out by Jewell
- Could do a little bit of an explanation of what the people are going to see
- I agree with one of your statements is that what people are looking for here are the highlights on what is happening in the town, not so much what is happening nationally, you get that on tv or internet

Wilz:

- I agree that there are some good statements here

Wolle:

- I agree there are some good statements but the article is more like an editorial that belongs in the newspaper.
- Dave were you going to write anything about Well #11

Wilz:

- I don't think so. Maybe we should come out with something larger in a separate mailing instead of the newsletter

Wilz: I am trying to understand and have a couple of questions.

- Do we have any "how to" on what a newsletter should be or what it should not be?
- Is this law or just your opinion?

Wolle:

- I guess I will say this is my opinion, however having said that, it was not an article like this, but it was an article that was written prior to a time that John was running for the board. It was in the newsletter sent out to the people prior to the election. We received calls saying that is campaigning.

Wilz: That is crossing the line.

Wolle:

- That is crossing the line
- Until within the past few years, since the compost area started, we are doing things differently. We have not had newsletters go until after the election

Wilz: Does John know we are discussing this tonight? Does he know this is on the agenda?

Wolle: No I haven't talked with him. I have talked with David (Pederson) about it. It is just that Barb needs to get this in by March 19<sup>th</sup>.

Pederson: And that will be before he gets back.

Wilz:

- I guess for the future times when we have issues like this where we need to discuss this, let him know in advance before they leave that it will be on the agenda

Wolle:

- I didn't know anything about this until I saw it Friday and he wasn't in on Friday. We talked on Thursday.
- I guess it was after that discussion (tears started) or whatever you would like to call it, that I felt it needed to be on the agenda for the board to take action

Wilz: I am not trying to be difficult I am just trying to understand.

Wolle: It is not you Dave.

Wilz: I know, but if we are going to be talking about items and trying to make decisions on things where there are variances of opinions, and that is fine you need to do that, but people should be aware that it is going to happen.

Wolle: I understand that

Pederson: I see this as an opinion piece and not something to inform people of the town about. It isn't town business.

Wilz: I haven't talked about what he wrote or he didn't write. I have talked about how we are handling this. I am talking about protocol of newsletters in general and that sort of thing.

Pederson: We have established a protocol

Wolle: I do happen to believe there certainly are going to be people that agree with what he says and some that may not. But the point is the town is nonpartisan

Wilz: I get your point. It is opinion instead of factual.

Wolle: That is right and he agreed with me about that (opinion) when we talked. Unfortunately the conversation went further than this, much further than this.

Wilz: But we are talking about this (the article)

Wolle: Yup

Wilz: Anything we put in about elections

Wolle: In the November 2017 newsletter I had information about elections, this is a reminder thing to do. The main reason for getting this out now prior to the election is having to do with compost hours.

Stautz: What is the difference in cost, I know when there was a change in hours for the compost site we had some postcards sent. Is that substantially less expensive?

Stautz: If we had a postcard could we have election information and compost site information and have our newsletter afterwards. That way we do not run in to problems, cuz that is what we want them to know about now is basically those things. That way we can deal with this issue openly with everybody involved. Okay from now on, this is what we are going to do with newsletters.

Wilz: When are you beginning brush pickup this year? That is the third thing people are wondering about.

Kaminski: Will begin April 30<sup>th</sup>.

Wilz: I think that is a good idea (referencing Stautz last comment on page 8). I would feel more comfortable. I think when we have these type of debates we need everybody to have an opportunity to have their say.

Stautz – send out a card with election and hours of compost site and other information they need to know before the election.

Wilz: We need to get the newsletter out by the middle of the month.

Barb: That is late. I have received complaints because people don't have enough time to gather the items they are going to dispose of.

Wilz: So this is not just about the compost site.

Wolle: All the different things they can put out. They are planning.

Pederson: Is it possible to include a line on the postcard for election, compost and the rest of info too?

There was discussion among board members regarding a postcard going out before the election or a one-page informational sheet.

Kruziki, what is the cost difference between a postcard and a one- page informational sheet?

Barb: The cost to send a postcard previously was around \$700. A one pager would be up to \$1,000.

Wolle – in the office we've talked about having only compost/branch, clean-up newsletter in the spring.

Wilz: Obviously we have to wait until Chairperson Holdridge is back to discuss the document in front of us (article Chairperson Holdridge wrote for the newsletter). That would be the reason we would sent out a postcard or one-page newsletter so we can deal with the news items at a later time.

Stautz: We are looking for when is this going to happen

Wilz: There is a lot of information the newsletter presents

Wilz: Unless you (Acting Chair Pederson) give Chairperson Holdridge a call relaying and tell him what we are facing and get his opinion on it. Maybe he will say pull it.



Motion Supervisor Wilz, **Acting Chair David Pederson to try to get a hold of John Holdridge to explain our situation and tell him we are not approving or denying the article unless he says pull it. We are not going to support approving or denying his request but we are holding on to the vehicle which it gets out there. We are going to do a separate less expensive one-page information sheet to inform people on the timely items. See what his thoughts are.** Second Supervisor Stautz. Motion carried by voice vote.

17)Rims for the Cat Loader (new item)

Motion Supervisor Wilz, second Supervisor Stautz, **authorize the purchase in install of rims for the Cat Loader from GCR Tire Service at the cost of \$1,125.00 per rim plus \$350.00 to install both rims.** Motion carried by voice vote.

Expenditure will come from Roads – Equipment maintenance

18)Adjournment: Motion Supervisor Stautz, second Supervisor Wilz, **adjourn the meeting.** Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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Janet Wolle, Clerk

Vendor	Amount	Purpose	Credit Card
Accounting Workshop, SC	\$1,175.00	Gen. Adm.-Rvw Peachtree general ledger, prepare adjusting entries, complete form CT for 2017	X
Anderson/O'Brien	\$90.00	Legal - Randolph Rusin-Road Damage	
Complete Office of Wisconsin	\$101.81	Gen. Adm.-Paper, Tape-sealing,Vert sorter - black	X
Compass Minerals	\$7,486.40	RD - Bulk Salt - 103.09 Tons	
Dolce Digital Imaging & Pringint	\$47.00	FD -Printing-Business cards for Nick Proulx	
Fastenal Company	\$168.74	RD-Parts&Eqp-Sharpcut regrind	X
Fleet Farm	\$24.68	FD-Bldg Maint-1/2" EMT strap, box, Handy 2-outlet cover, fasteners, locknut, White 20A outlet, EMT CNNCTR, EMT	X
Fleet Farm	\$53.96	RD-Parts&Eqp-Nitrile glove, Hex L Pk, (2) RD-Material&Maint-Pothole patch,	X
	\$122.46	repair	
	\$44.95	Muni Bldg-Maint & Repair- Ice Melt	
Fleet Farm	\$37.90	RD-Material&Maint - Cylinder Exchange	X
Fleet Farm	\$45.95	RD-Parts&Eqp-Shop towels,BlueDEF2.5	X

		Gal	
	\$185.72	FD-Bldg Maint - Roof	
Fleet Farm	\$63.76	Eqp New&Replace: Wrenchs (5)	X
Harter's Fox Valley Disposal	\$4,701.12	Recycling	
	\$12,137.34	Weekly refuse collection	
LaCrosse Premium Water	\$12.00	Gen. Bldg - Contract Supply - Water	
Menards - Plover	\$122.98	RD-Material&Maint-Pothole patch & 2 Gal Menard Pail	X
Portage County Bank	\$34,511.01	Principal payment on building loan	
	\$15,984.19	Interest payment on building loan	
Portage County Finance	\$5,266.61	PC Transfer Charge	
PSOL	\$294.00	Gen Adm- Computer	
Riiser Energy	\$1,066.52	RD - Diesel Fuel 380.5 Gal- Blend	
Riiser Energy	\$925.01	RD - Diesel Fuel 345.8 Gal	
Scaffidi Truck Center	\$64.94	FD-Eqp Repair&Maint-u-joint kits	
Securian Financial Group Inc	\$140.20	Life Insurance	
Stevens Point City Times and BG	\$45.00	Gen Adm-Election-Electronic Eqp Test	
The Fire Store	\$173.58	FD-EqpNew&Replace-Dicke Tool Collapsible Cone Kit-set of 5	X
Unemployment Insurance	\$15.80	FD - Unemployment Comp	
Uniform Shoppe	\$39.50	FD-Clothing- Shirt for Chief	
Wimme Sand & Gravel Inc	\$1,281.42	RD-Material -366.11 tons Mound Sand Chief Inspector 2-20-18 14.5 hrs	
Heidi O'Brien	\$178.35	@\$12.30	
Lorna Szachnit	\$150.97	Election Insp-Electronic Test and 2-20-18 15.5 hrs @\$9.74	
Diane Beversdorf	\$150.97	Election Insp-Electronic Test and 2-20-18 15.5 hrs @\$9.74	
Lorraine Bretl	\$141.23	Election Insp - 2-20-18 14.5 hrs @\$9.74	
Dawn Zimbauer	\$141.23	Election Insp - 2-20-18 14.5 hrs @\$9.74	
Tim Zimmerman	\$141.23	Election Insp - 2-20-18 14.5 hrs @\$9.74	
Cathy Zywicki	\$141.23	Election Insp - 2-20-18 14.5 hrs @\$9.74	
Trudy Pederson	\$124.19	Registration 2-20-18 12.75 hrs @\$9.74	
	\$87,598.95		

Approved by the Hull Town Board  
Monday March 12, 2018

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Janet Wolle, Clerk

Resolution 2018-0312A

## Clean Water Protection Resolution

Whereas, The Wisconsin "Mining Moratorium" has been rescinded, and

Whereas, nonferrous sulfide mining could occur near the headwaters of the Plover River and within the Wisconsin River watershed, and

Where, the Town of Hull, County of Portage, is bordered on the West by the Wisconsin River and the Plover River runs through the Town of Hull on the East, and

Whereas, pollution from such mining could impact both watersheds, and

Whereas, Town of Hull ground water could be impacted by such pollution, and

Whereas, Town of Hull residents depend on groundwater for their water supplies,

Therefore, Resolved the Town of Hull Board urges Portage County Board of Supervisors to pass ordinances addressing this threat to the full extent possible within current law and within the time window allowed.

Adopted by the Hull Town Board this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2018

### Resolution 2018-0312

#### Resolution Authorizing Town Treasurer and Town Clerk to Sign Business Documents at Investors Community Bank

WHEREAS, Investor's Community Bank requires authorized individuals to sign business documents on behalf of the town, and

WHEREAS, as part of the USA Patriot Act authorized signers shall provide identification information to said bank i.e. signer's driver's license or passport.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town of Hull Board of Supervisors, County of Portage, Wisconsin, hereby authorizes the Town Treasurer and Town Clerk to Sign Business Documents at Investor's Community Bank.

Adopted by the Town of Hull Board of Supervisors this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2018.