TOWN OF WASHINGTON-RUSK COUNTY

TOWN BOARD MEETING

June 4, 2019

- 1.) Meeting called to order at 6:30PM. Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- 2.) Kurt Gorsegner made a motion to approved board minutes from the previous meeting. Jen Lehman seconded. All approved and motion carried.
- 3.) Public comment reserved for an agenda item.
- 4.) Treasurer's report was presented
- 5.) Clerk's report. Reminder: Presentation to the board of tavern licenses. No new news on voting machines. Discussion of fire number procedures. Shared information received in the mail.
- 6.) Chairman's report. Discussion of Betsy posting notice for the upcoming public meeting. Report on New Officer training in Rice Lake attended by Jen and Betsy. Betsy shared that she learned there was no need for a bidding process if project is under \$25,000, it is the town's choice. Discussed that Mr Repka re-scheduled their meeting for next week, Betsy and Richard will attend..
- 7.) Opening of gravel bids, there was only one, Hass at \$10.00 per ton. Kurt Gorsegner made a motion to accept Haas's bid and Jen Lehman seconded. All approved and motion carried. Discussion of the process of residents' orders and payment.
- Presentation by R J Ryder regarding the Pulaski Lake Ordinance # 6. He shared he felt he had a reasonable proposal to possibly eliminate the up-coming public meeting. He presented some amendments to the statements made by residents (those that support keeping ordinance #6 as is) at an earlier meeting, and shared history of the changing residents both of the lake and the board. He said that the 17 people who signed the petition for the ordinance are no longer residents and there are now new property owners with different ideas. His proposal is to make a slight change adding Section 7 sentence stating: "All taxpaying Pulaski Lake Property Owners are exempt from this ordinance." H typed up the new ordinance and submitted it to the board sharing they should seriously consider this. Betsy shared that she feels that other people will want to state their opinion and therefore the need for the public hearing. Kurt Gorsegner feels a public hearing gives everybody a chance to state their opinions: It will be posted and in paper so everyone will see. Jen Lehman, being new to the board, would like to find out more through a public hearing. Bruce Burch agreed with RJ that he feels the ordinance will not be enforced by law enforcement. RJ stated he feels he has rights and this ordinance restricts them. He does not think it fair that only one member of the board lives on the lake. He also commented that he felt his and others letters and comments were not recorded in the notes so others could see them. Clerk says she has them all and chairperson may post on website if she chooses but wasn't aware they should be. .Betsy reiterated the public meeting will take place on July 6 at the Town Hall from 1-3PM and speakers will be limited with their time.

- 9.) Discussion and approval of all 5 tavern licenses. Jen Lehman made a motion to approve and this was seconded by Kurt Gorsegner. All approved and motion carried.
- 10.) Discussion of Annual Road Review. Talk about culverts and gravel. 2 culverts will be replaced on Sheepcamp Road and 1 on River Road. Gravel is needed on River and Squaw Point Roads. Richard volunteered to help put culverts in. Steve Lehman is now off on Fridays so will be available to work. Peggy Linskey made comment she had received compliments from Steve's grading on Sheepcamp Road. Discussion of making center higher. Betsy will check on availability of beaver trapper.
- 11.) Discussion of Ordinance #6. To be voted on after public meeting. Discussion of fuel tanks and need to have them registered with the state. Needs protection from being hit. Needs emergency shut off, and a licensed tank installer/engineer needs to develop a plan.
- 12.) Reviewed and Paid bills. Betsy Patterson made a motion to do so which was seconded by Jen Lehman. All approved and motion carried.
- 9.) Meeting was adjourned at 8:15PM. Kurt Gorsegner made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Betsy Patterson. All approved and motion carried. Next meeting is July 2, 2019.

Sincerely,

Deb Klund, clerk