

REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 14, 2008

The regular meeting of the Pelican Town Board was called to order by Chairman Bruce Galles. Present: Supervisors: Bruce Galles, Robb Fritz, Robert Olson, Treasurer: Connie Rockwell and Clerk: Shirley Wallin. Also present: Jack & Lilli Johnson, Tracy Donovan, and Jim Rockwell.

Jack Johnson had attended the 1st meeting with Mission Fire Dept. if Lake Edward decides to not contract with Mission the \$27,000.00 they now pay would be divided among the other 3 townships serviced by Mission Fire Dept. discussion held. There has been another meeting and Olson attended that meeting and another meeting is scheduled for August 21st. Pelican now pays \$27,090.00 now to Mission which is more than double what we pay to Pequot Lakes and Nisswa combined. J. Johnson and Fritz will attend the next meeting on Thursday August 21st. Board feels that Mission is out of line for charges of their fire contracts, trying to reach a more reasonable rate.

Minutes of last meeting were reviewed, Olson made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Fritz, motion carried. Bid Opening minutes were reviewed, Olson made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Fritz, motion carried.

Treasurers report given by Treasurer Rockwell, Beginning Balance: \$303,754.03, Receipts: \$38,413.58, Disbursements: \$27,608.58, Cash Balance: \$314,559.03, Money Market Acct. (Northern Nat'l) \$165,826.50, C/D (Lakewood) \$25,000.00, C/D (Northern Nat'l) \$26,000.00, Money Market Acct. (Am. Nat'l) \$97,732.53, Total Cash Balance: \$314,559.03, Olson made a motion to approve Treasurers report, seconded by Galles, motion carried.

Joe Garcia was present from the Breezy Point Police Dept., they have been dealing with issues at Pelican Beach this summer, and DNR is not taking care of the trash and bathrooms very often. They did a drug bust on Lake Lougee, other wise fairly quiet within the township. Discussion held on what the police dept. all covers and when do we receive that coverage.

Bills to be paid were presented. Galles made a motion to pay all bills, seconded by Olson, motion carried.

Jack & Lilli Johnson is on the Tread Committee Board, they discuss various issues, re: vandalism of senior citizens, bus service in Crow Wing County, etc.

Road Report: A dead oak tree fell on the tractor and bent the fender. Discussion held on tar pot procedure- Fritz will look at wand system to be able to do a better job with crack sealing. Fritz will look at and order a strobe light for on top of car or truck, for when the supervisor needs it when doing township road work.

Committee Reports: J Rockwell received from Landecker's the topo map showing contour and drainage. He can't file the lease until the second half of property taxes of are paid by Simenstad's. He thinks we can get a conditional use permit without filing the lease. Building Committee recommendation is to bid on the building only, do other work by subcontractors. Which we can get quotes if under \$100,000.00. Galles checked with Sylvan Township and they built a turn key building of 44x60 for \$188,000.00. Galles reviewed what Sylvan all did for their project. Galles recommended we follow same path as Sylvan. Sylvan did take basic plan to a lumber yard to get plans and materials list. Galles made a motion we take the basic plans and specs. to a lumber company of elevation, materials list, plans and specs of building for an estimated pkg. of just the building and we subcontract everything else out. This should cost around \$500.00, seconded by Olson, discussion held, motion carried. We will subcontract out mechanicals and Fritz will get subcontractors bids.

J Rockwell reported on Becoming a City and said most are charter cities. The town board petitions the district courts to appoint Charter Commission to prepare Charter. Charter Commission sets forth what government we form and has 6 months to present to voters in a special election to become city. Galles will contact the league of cities to explore the options of becoming a city.

Zoning: none

Cable Commission: no changes-franchise is still 1%. Received letter that in 2011 the franchise is up. By-Laws will be amended in 2009.

Co Rd 4 public meeting will be Saturday, August 23rd from 10 am – 12 noon at the Pelican Lake Conservation Club.

Galled made a motion to appoint the following judges for the primary election by recommendation of the Clerk: Agnes Goerges and Shirley Wallin as head judges, Jack or Lilli Johnson, Sue Goerges, Sandy Thorson, Kathleen Zender, Ileana Mathison, Jim Rockwell, Darlene Clement and Arlene Rice, seconded by Olson, motion carried. Primary election will be Sept. 9th from 7 am to 8 pm.

Next regular meeting will be held Wednesday September 10th at 7:30 PM.

Meeting adjourned by general consent.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shirley Wallin

Shirley Wallin, Clerk