

**TOWN OF MAY
WASHINGTON COUNTY
OFFICIAL TOWN BOARD MINUTES
February 5, 2009**

The Board of Supervisors of the Town of May met at their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, February 5, 2009, at the May Town Hall. Those present included Bill Voedisch, Board Chairman; John Pazlar, Supervisor; John Adams, Supervisor; Peter Kluegel, Building Inspector; Cameron Kelly, standing in for Dave Snyder, Town Attorney; Linda Klein, Town Clerk; Cheryl Bennett, Town Treasurer, and residents of the Town of May. Chairman Voedisch called the board meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Voedisch moved, seconded by Pazlar, to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2009, Town Board meeting as presented. All approved. Adams moved, seconded by Pazlar, to approve checks #15440 through 15476, holding back Check #15461 to Country Mutual until the agent has been in for the insurance review. All approved. Pazlar questioned the cost of fuel payments and asked that fuel be tracked for type of fuel, vehicle used, and the reasons for large swings in fuel usage from year to year. He also suggested tagging parts and repair payments on vehicles to the specific vehicle.

Pazlar moved, seconded by Voedisch to modify the Designated and Undesignated Fund dollars as follows: increase cash flow in General Fund to \$80,330.50; increase cash flow in the Road and Bridge Fund to \$176,002.00; and increase cash flow in Fire Fund to \$71,050.00. All approved.

Voedisch moved, seconded by Adams, to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. The report is attached to these minutes and serves as the official record. All approved.

Board of Audit

Adams moved, seconded by Voedisch, to approve the Board of Audit books as presented. All approved.

Auditor's Report

Peggy Moeller, CPA, representing HLB Tautges Redpath, Ltd., went through the audit reports resulting from their annual audit. She reported that the Town had a clean audit with no compliance findings. Voedisch moved, seconded by Adams, to approve the audit report as presented.

Planning Commission

Public Hearing – Rick Roth Small Business CUP Continued to February Planning Commission Meeting

Planning Commission Chairman Arnason reported on the public hearing and the general lack of support for this application. Voedisch pointed out that two businesses were applied for in this application, and he encouraged the other board members to pay a visit to the property prior to the next meeting.

Tredal Concept

Tim Freeman, representing Folz Freeman Erickson, came forward with a concept for Steve and Pat Tredal for a major subdivision on their Morningstar Farm property at Norell Avenue N. This matter was not discussed at length at the Planning Commission meeting. General comment, however, was that no one saw issues with the layout, but there was some concern that the applicants were asking for this concept 6 years in advance of when they actually propose to create the subdivision. It also appeared that the first item of work would be grading, and the commission suggested simply applying for a grading permit at this time rather than a subdivision.

Freeman stated that the main idea is to improve the pastures for the horse operation right now. This requires taking down steep slopes and improving top soil so pasture can grow on the land. They are looking at three different phases of grading. This is because the horses must be off the land during the time it is graded and seeded. They are looking at 1 to 2 years per phase. The subdivision will end up with the existing farm, a large 20+ acre lot and several smaller lots on the back, wooded acreage. Voedisch pointed out that the applicant must work with the County on the placement of the road, because the County may want it to line up with the Norell Court, a Town road across Norell. He also suggested that the applicant come up with a three-phase grading plan. Voedisch moved, seconded by Pazlar, to accept the Concept Plan as presented, with the caveat that the applicant stop at the County departments of planning and highways for a review and a statement from the County approving and accepting the new subdivision road alignment for the entrance as shown, and that a six-year span between preliminary plat and final plat approval is unacceptable. All approved They were advised to move forward now with only the three-phase grading permit.

Wood Fired Boilers

Following up on citizen concerns, Pazlar brought forward discussion on adopting regulations applying to outdoor wood boilers. The Commission agreed it would make sense to pursue this. Pazlar stated he is not in favor of an outright ban, but he does think some standards should be put in place regarding the specifications for the most efficient units. He will bring a model ordinance forward for review.

Old Business

201 Budget

Bennett brought forward the proposed budget for the 201 sewer system this year, with figures showing that the costs are going down due to not as many repair costs. The board will review the figures at the next meeting. Voedisch moved, seconded by Pazlar, to credit the Klemenhagens for \$274.95 year around billing that should have been seasonal. All approved.

New Business

Lot Line Adjustments

Art and Karen Monson

Landmark Surveying

Bill Selb came forward with a proposed lot line adjustment for Art and Karen Monson. The Monsons own property south of Marine on both sides of 154th Street, and the lots have separate deeds. The Kiwanis Club would dedicate about 6 acres of their property to the north to the Monsons in return for a 24-foot access to their property, which they do not have at the present time. The Kiwanis property is all on one deed. The potential for Monsons is to increase their acreage to 20, which would allow them to subdivide in the future. The board agreed this is an acceptable proposal so long as there is no net increase in the number of potential lots across the Monson and Kiwanis properties. They were advised to work with Attorney Snyder going forward.

Don and Monica Leick

The Leicks brought forward a request for a lot line adjustment on their property on Old Guslander. After review, the board agreed this is an acceptable proposal and asked the Leicks to work with Attorney Snyder going forward.

Engineer Discussion

The board was presented with five engineering proposals, and Voedisch advised that issues to consider would be cost, familiarity with the area, references, mileage, and charges to attend Town Board meetings. Joe Pelawa appeared at the meeting representing his firm. Voedisch will prepare a grid comparing the proposals and will look at references.

BUDGET and LEVY

2009 Budget

Voedisch moved, seconded by Adams, to approve the 2009 budget of \$761,798 in total projected receipts and \$912,629 in total projected disbursements. All approved.

2010 Levy and Budget

The board read through the figures presented and agreed that the numbers are correct and ready to send with the newsletter.

CPA Discussion

Pazlar brought up the fact that the auditors’ cost continues to rise and would it be advisable to put out an RFP for another firm by going to other municipalities to see who they use and at what cost.

Hearing no further business, Adams moved, seconded by Pazlar, to continue the meeting to a later date in February when the board will review County trucks. All approved.

ATTEST:

Linda L. Klein
Town Clerk

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Voedisch, Board Chairman