# NOTICE TO RESIDENTS TOWN OF CRESCENT MINUTES FOR MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2014 6:00 P.M., CRESCENT TOWN HALL

## CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Bill Treder called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. The meeting was properly posted.

#### ROLL CALL

Roll Call was taken. Members present were:

William Treder, Chairman Joel Knutson, Supervisor Adrian Turgeon, Supervisor Tracy Hartman, Clerk Carla Fletcher, Treasurer

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Knutson to approve the agenda. Seconded by Treder. All aye. Motion carried.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Knutson to approve the minutes from August 20, 2014. Seconded by Turgeon. All aye. Motion carried.

# TREASURER'S REPORT

A written report was received by Treasurer, Carla Fletcher.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT AND APPROVAL OF PURCHASES

Jake Lobermeier was not present but submitted a written report to the Board. There were 5 calls in the month of August. There were three vehicle accidents and two structure fires. They did a tree stand/wildland training.

# FIRST RESPONDER'S REPORT AND APPROVAL OF PURCHASES

Greg Zeske gave an oral and written report to the board. There were 9 calls in the month of August.

# TOWN ROAD CREW REPORT

Mike Bess was present and gave an oral report to the board. He has finished all of the mowing on the town roads. He has a little bit more brushing to do from the storm. Bess also stated that there is a section on Crescent Road that is a continuous problem with washing out. He would like to purchase a truckload of potato rock for around \$100 to help prevent the washout. Connie Anderson also stated that there is a section on South Rifle Road that constantly washes out after storms. Bess will look at that also. Bess also stated that there was no electricity put in the salt shed when it was built. Bess has contacted In Control Technologies and they would be able to put electricity in the shop for around \$250.00. Bess also stated that when the power goes out the shop does not have power and they are unable to put the doors down and are unable to get fuel. Bess would like to have an emergency panel put at in the shop, that would allow them to shut/open the doors and get fuel. The fire department has a few generators that could be brought over to the shop if the power goes out.

#### COUNTY BOARD SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Robb Jensen was present and gave an oral report to the board. The administration committee met today and they are trying to do a 0% increase in non-personnel items. Next week on the county board agenda they will be discussing the resolutions to have a county administrator and to decrease the county board size. Employee evaluations and the meeting time survey will also be on the agenda. They also have a subcommittee started on the Kwik trip offer for the Oneida County Highway department. They are looking at having to build a new department, looking at the old department and looking at a TIF district and the impacts. They are also looking at all capital improvement projects and trying to see how they need to be spread out over the course of 2-5 years.

Treder asked Jensen if he has any knowledge of the Heal Creek Project. Jensen stated that the last he knew the County was going to entertain offers.

## LIBRARY REPORT

Harry Whidden was present and gave an oral and written report to the board. Whidden presented a letter from the Mayor of Rhinelander that was sent to the Library. The city is attempting to renegotiate the terms of the contract. The Library Board has declined the renegotiations. The library board has hired a new director for the library, Virginia Roberts. She will begin in October. The library has provided the towns with the 2015 budget.

## TOWN PLAN COMMISSION REPORT

None

## TOWN LAKES COMMITTEE REPORT

Joel Knutson stated that there was not a formal meeting this past month. He did participate with various volunteers throughout the county for the AIS bridge inspections this past weekend. This gives them an idea of what is happening in lakes throughout the county. Knutson will be attending an invasives conference in Duluth towards the end of October. Knutson stated that the upside to the storm two weeks ago was that there are a number of dead trees that fell into the lakes and create the fish stick habitats that they were hoping to start. Knutson is hoping to schedule a meeting in October that the Lakes Committee can meet to discuss some of these issues.

## UNIFORM DWELLING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

None

# DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE DECISION REGARDING: A-1 Septic - proposed drain field

Tom Arts appeared before the board. He did a soil test and was able to get the existing system on the Oneida County Maintainance system. The owners, Kenneth and Barbara Gelhar (3449 Rocky Shores Rd) are trying to sell the property and are concerned that if a new drain field were needed in the future it would need to be in the town right of way. The owners are requesting that the Town of Crescent write a letter stating that if a new drain field were needed the owners would be allowed to put a drain field on town right of way. The new drain field would still be approximately 20 feet from the black top, however, in this section of road the town right of way is 50 feet from the centerline. Treder stated that a few concerns would be if the road were ever needed to be moved that would cause an issue with the drain field. Treder's next concern would be that if there are problems due to snow being pushed on the property the owners would blame the town. Treder stated in the event of current system failure to use the replacement test area in the town right of way would require review by the Town of Crescent Board.

# DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE DECISION REGARDING: Brush Pickup/Chipper

Treder stated that we have been receiving a number of calls and emails from people asking if we will be offering brush/chipper service after the storm. Bess stated that there are a number of things that they are needing to get ready for winter and they are unsure if there is time to do all of the brush/chipper service. Turgeon stated that he suggests we open the old dump and allow people to dump their leaves and brush. Treder stated that he believes we should open the old

dump to allow people to dump leaves and brush. It will be opened from September 22-26th for residents to bring brush. If a resident calls and asks they will be told that the road crew will get to it if they have time but there will be no promises made.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE DECISION REGARDING: Oneida County Bike Network Trail

Knutson updated the board on some things that have been happening through the Oneida County Tourism Council and the Oneida County Biking Council. Oneida County is the only county that hasn't taken any sort of grants for bike/pedestrian trails even though there is federal funding available. Knutson stated that the State is looking at the last batch of money that will be disseminated through the state in 2015 for bike trails. There is a group of people that are looking at where trails can be put in to connect roads/trails for bikers throughout Oneida County. Knutson stated that if you consider town roads as bike trails there are trails only needed in various areas in the County to connect town roads. They are in the early stages of looking at what grants are available and if it is feasible. They are not looking to ask the Towns to help fiscally. Jensen asked what County Committee they will be working with. Knutson stated that it is starting at the Health Department committee.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE DECISION REGARDING: Emergency Plan

Knutson stated that he would like to discuss the last storm and if there are things that need to be done for residents to make things easier in a storm. Knutson stated that he was in communication all day with the road crew and with the Crescent VFD and the day seemed to go well. Knutson wondered if there were a possibility to have a chart showing who is responsible for what during emergencies like that. Turgeon stated that he felt it went well during the storm and it is everyone pitches in and do what needs to be done.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE DECISION REGARDING: Approve Applications for Operator's

None

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE DECISION REGARDING: Approve Driveway Permits

None

FIFTEEN MINUTES OF PUBLIC DISCUSSION

None

**REVIEW CORRESPONDENCE** 

Treder received a call from Roberta Forester from the packaging Corp of Tomahawk. They are asking if they can stage logs at the end of N. Wausau Road. This would take approximately 8 weeks. The logs would be brought out to the road and immediately picked up.

FUTURE MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS/ADJOURN Motion by Treder to approve vouchers as submitted and adjourn at 8:11p.m. Seconded by Turgeon. All aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Tracy Hartman Municipal Clerk