

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS  
TOWN OF CRESCENT  
MINUTES FOR  
MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2021  
6:00 P.M., CRESCENT TOWN HALL**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Joel Knutson, Chair; Kyla Waksmonski, Supervisor; Mike Pazdernik, Supervisor; Tracy Hartman, Clerk; Carla Fletcher, Treasurer.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Knutson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Crescent Town Hall. The meeting has been properly posted and distributed in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting law and the facility is handicap accessible. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Waksmonski to approve the agenda. Seconded by Pazdernik. All aye. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Waksmonski to approve the minutes from the Monthly Town Board Meeting of October 13, 2021. Seconded by Pazdernik. All aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Pazdernik to approve the minutes from the Monthly Town Board Meeting of October 20, 2021 and November 3, 2021. Seconded by Waksmonski. All aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Pazdernik to approve the minutes from the Monthly Town Board Meeting of November 3, 2021. Seconded by Waksmonski. All aye. Motion carried.

**FIFTEEN MINUTES OF PUBLIC DISCUSSION –**

- Connie Anderson expressed concern with the piles of dirt in front of the new storage sheds on Highway 8
- Scott Slizewski, Vacasa, introduced himself and Bob Panter who are representing Susan Lynn Rand-Grade in her application for a tourist rooming house.
- Joel Flory thanked the board for their efforts to reallocate funds for future grant opportunities.

**TOWN CHAIR REPORT –** None

**TREASURER’S REPORT –** A written report was given by Treasurer, Carla Fletcher.

**LIBRARY REPORT –** Update on the library board meeting and upcoming programs being offered at the library – None

**COUNTY BOARD SUPERVISOR’S REPORT –** Review of County Board meeting, Administration Committee meeting, Public Works Committee meeting, Conservation and UW-EX Education Committee, Technology Committee meeting and Open Meetings Complaint – Thome reported that redistricting was approved at the county board meeting this month. Thome reported that the county budget of approximately \$65 million dollars was approved. Thome reported that there are \$5.2 million in capital improvement projects. Thome gave an overview in the revenues and expenses for the 2022 budget. Thome reported that starting in 2022 the County Fair will be privatized.

**CRESCENT LAKE DISTRICT REPORT** – Thome reported that the Crescent Lake District has approved the 2022 budget and milrate for homeowners.

#### **FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT AND APPROVAL OF PURCHASES**

- Monthly Call update, purchases update, training update, fundraiser update – Robert Hutchison reported that the county doesn't have a fuel tank at this time and they will be using the Crescent gas pumps for the foreseeable future.

**FIRST RESPONDER'S REPORT AND APPROVAL OF PURCHASES** – Dana Winckensten reported that there have been 104 first responder calls in 2021 and they have gotten a few new members.

**TOWN ROAD CREW REPORT** - Road Projects update, update on vehicle repairs and shop repairs – Lundt reported that the generator is up and running. Lundt reported that the final cost was a little under \$11,000 and the generator covers the entire shop and the fuel pumps. Lundt reported that the trucks are almost ready for winter. Lundt reported that on 11/7/2021 someone came and took about 2 yards of salt sand. The road crew has cameras and has pictures of the truck that came in.

**DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE DECISION REGARDING: Purchase New Plow Truck 2022** – Lundt presented an estimate for the new plow truck which comes to \$197,132.00 which includes a \$9000 trade-in for the old truck. Discussion regarding the delivery of the truck being next fall. Knutson will meet with the company tomorrow for a few details and this will be brought back to the board during the December monthly meeting.

**TOWN PLAN COMMISSION REPORT** – Pazdernik reported that the Town Plan Commission had a meeting at the end of October. Pazdernik reported that he has spoken with the North Central Wisconsin Regional Plan Commission about updating the town plan commission. Pazdernik reported that they had a Tourist Rooming House application and concerns were expressed. The next meeting is scheduled for December 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

**UNIFORM DWELLING INSPECTOR'S REPORT** - None

**SQUASH LAKE DISTRICT REPORT** – None

**DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE DECISION REGARDING: Administrative Review Application by Susan Lynn Rand-Grade, Applicant and Owner - 2947 Wausau Road** – Knutson reported that the Town Plan Commission reviewed the application and are recommending that the application being denied. Knutson reviewed the concerns expressed by the Town Plan Commission. Pazdernik reported that there were inconsistencies in the information included in the application. Bob Panter reported that Vacasa tries to be very aware of concerns that local municipalities have regarding tourist rooming houses. Discussion regarding concerns in general for tourist rooming houses. Panter stated that they have noise monitoring in the homes and it alerts Vacasa if the noise is out of control. Brian Slizewski reported that as part of the conditions of the Tourist Rooming House Application is that a fire inspection has to be allowed. Slizewski reported that he is available to help answer any questions regarding TRH. Motion by Knutson that the Administrative Review Permit is accepted as submitted for the Tourist Rooming House application for 2947 Wausau Road by Susan Lynn Rand-Grade. Seconded by Pazdernik. All aye; motion carried.

**DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE DECISION REGARDING: Update on Off-Road Vehicle (ORV) Park, possible Hunting restrictions** – Knutson gave an update on the ORV proposed park. Knutson reported that there is currently a proposed 2 – 2.5 mile single track that may be open

as early as next summer. Knutson stated that the trail may be available this winter for anyone wanting to use the trail for snowshoeing, skiing, etc. Knutson reported that he is speaking with the DNR regarding hunting on the property. Pazdernik expressed concern with the sound in the area and setting hours that people will be allowed to use the park. Joe Priebe, gun club, reported that they have a self-imposed time limit before sunrise and after sunset. Priebe expressed concern with the trail running next to the shooting range and asked that signage be placed in that area so that people do not cross onto the gun club property where shooting will be occurring. Discussion regarding maintaining the park as a pet free zone. Greg Fielhauer, Sports Club Road resident, expressed concern with the noise and with the plans for a park and asked that the board reconsider the proposed ORV park. Knutson outlined discussions that have occurred with residents, gun club members and the board regarding concerns with noise and usage. Knutson stated that he will meet with Fielhauer to discuss future concerns. Lundt reported that he has received several inquiries about maintaining the brush drop-off. Knutson reported that the plan is to continue that option for residents.

**DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE DECISION REGARDING: TRID (Town Road Improvement Discretionary) Program application for Oak Lane and section of Green Bass Road –**

Knutson reported that through the TRID program the Town of Crescent can receive a grant in the amount of \$26,000 and the town is proposing to use that for Oak Lane and a section of Green Bass Road. Knutson reported that this application is due to the County next week.

**DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE DECISION REGARDING: TRI-S Application – S. River Road –**

Knutson reported that the TRI-S is a new program available to towns with a 90% cost share. Knutson reported that he and Ted Lundt feel that S. River Road is the ideal road for this type of a project. Knutson reported that S. River Road is a major artery for year-round residents, a scenic road for visitors, receives a large amount of heavy truck traffic, is a popular recreational route for biking and UTV's and there will be campground going into S. River Road in the future. Knutson reported that a complete redo of S. River Road is a \$1.2 million road redo and not an option for the town without this type of grant. Knutson reported that this application will also be submitted on Monday. Knutson reported that one aspect of the application may be a widening of the road with a paved shoulder which will allow room for bicycles and walking. Motion by Knutson to authorize bicycle and pedestrian features on a potentially widened South River road. Seconded by Pazdernik. All aye; motion carried.

**DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE DECISION REGARDING: Update to Town Fee Schedule –**

Knutson reported that there haven't been changes to fees since 2007 in the Town of Crescent. Knutson stated that he would like the board to look at the driveway permits relative to some issues that have arisen lately. Discussion regarding the driveway permits and how those are reviewed. Knutson reported that he has reviewed a few surrounding towns and how they handle driveway permits. Knutson would like to consider increasing the baseline driveway permit and adding a penalty provision of \$500 for not getting a permit or for not following the approved application. Waksmonski asked if remediation will be required with the penalty. Discussion regarding how the penalty will be collected. Discussion regarding attaching it to the tax bill or a small claim through court. Knutson will draft language for the penalty. Waksmonski stated that she would like the fee to be traceable to the actual cost of the road crew reviewing the application and the time that it takes. Knutson briefly review the remaining fees.

**DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE DECISION REGARDING: Approve Applications for Operator's License - None**

**DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE DECISION REGARDING: Approve Driveway Permits – Driveway application for Steve Teclaw. Motion by Pazdernik to approve the application as submitted. Seconded by Pazdernik. All aye; motion carried.**

**REVIEW CORRESPONDENCE –**

- Letter from the Oneida County Planning and zoning regarding a public hearing for Placement of Shipping Containers.
- Letter from the North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission that the Town of Newbold Plan is being updated.

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS/ADJOURN**

Motion by Waksmonski to approve vouchers as submitted and adjourn at 8:57 p.m. Seconded by Pazdernik. All aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tracy Hartman  
Municipal Clerk