

**TOWN BOARD MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2011  
6:30 P.M.  
FREEDOM TOWN HALL  
W2004 COUNTY S**

**CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL**

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Board members present: Chairman Tim Maass, Supvs. Steve Lowney, Mark Rahmlow, Don Gonnering and Vernon Bowers. Also present: Clerk/Treasurer Barb Seegers, Adm Asst Colleen Laha, and Atty Steve Frassetto. Pledge recited

**VERIFICATION OF POSTING, ADOPT AGENDA**

Posted the 27<sup>TH</sup> of September, 2011 at the Town Hall at 2:30 p.m. Also posted on 27<sup>TH</sup> of September, 2011 at Freedom Mini Mart, Freedom Foods, Dairyland Depot and Shorty's One Stop

**Motion by Supv. Gonnering/Supv. Bowers to adopt agenda as posted. 5 Yes 0 No MC**

***Motion by Supv. Lowney/Supv. Bowers to MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION PER WI STATS 19.85(1)(e)(c) to confer with legal counsel who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved; the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session and; considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Board members voting Aye: Lowney, Rahmlow, Gonnering, Bowers and Maass. Voting Nay: None***

***5 Yes 0 No MC***

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

***Motion by Supv. Bowers/Supv. Rahmlow to return to Open Session at 6:45 p.m. 5 Yes 0 No MC***

**ANY ACTION AS A RESULT OF CLOSED SESSION - None**

**CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 24 & SEPT. 14, 2011 MEETING**

***Motion by Supv. Rahmlow/Supv. Gonnering to amend minutes presented to include "1 week carryover and must use or lose". 5 Yes 0 No MC***

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION**

**Fire Chief Jeff Pollard** approached the Board with a request from the Fire Dept to add a new fire truck to the capital improvement plan. This will be addressed when plan is updated.

**Supv. Gonnering** questioned removal of the light pole in the middle of the VFW parking lot. Clerk will look into cost.

**Resident Larry Bain** questioned who is responsible for the drainage issues involving Scenic View Subdivision. Board is working with the engineer on those issues.

**Supv. Lowney** questioned whether the Town had anything in writing regarding the "free week" on the tractor rental from last year and if not that we should try to see if we can get that. Lowney also mentioned that the town could get a 1000 gallon tank free if they wanted to try the waste oil furnace.

#### **CONSIDERATION OF PLANS FOR VAN DERA WALK FOR CANCER - Tabled**

#### **PLAN COMMISSION REFERRALS**

- a. **RE - CONSIDERATION OF BARTOSZEK CSM APP #04-08-11-08**  
*Motion by Supv. Bowers/Supv. Rahmlow to approve CSM App #04-08-11-08. 5 Yes 0 No MC*
  
- b. **CONSIDERATION OF PETERSON CSM APP #06-09-11-03**  
*Motion by Supv. Rahmlow/Supv. Gonnering to approve CSM App #06-09-11-03 with the following conditions: 1) that the CSM be signed, dated and stamped by surveyor and 2) since an existing single-family residence occupies property within and outside of the CSM, notice shall be attached to the CSM indicating that the property owner of the unplatted lands immediately west adjacent to the CSM and the property owner of Lot 2 of the CSM be the same as long as the existing single-family residence remains on both parcels.*  
*5 Yes 0 No MC*
  
- c. **CONSIDERATION OF BALCK CSM APP#11-09-10-11**  
*Motion by Supv. Gonnering/Supv. Bowers to approve CSM App #11-09-10-11 with the following conditions: 1) that the CSM be signed, dated and stamped by surveyor; 2) the Street Vacation and Quit Claim Deed shall be verified as being recorded with Outagamie County prior to executing and filing the proposed CSM; 3) final CSM does not make any changes to Steve & Crystal Lowney property lines. 5 Yes 0 No MC*

**FAA – EAST CONCESSION STAND**

Discussion on doing soil borings on the proposed site. Supv. Bowers will get cost estimates for sewer, water, electric and concrete.

**CONSIDERATION OF BB FIELD RENOVATION PLAN/PROPOSAL FOR DIAMOND #4**

Discussion held on renovating the baseball diamond at a cost of \$11,500 of which the Athletic Association would pay \$6,500.

***Motion by Supv. Lowney/Supv. Rahmlow to table the baseball renovation plan until a price guarantee is received. 4 Yes 1 No (Bowers) MC***

**CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSAL FOR SOCCER FIELD #3**

***Motion by Supv. Lowney/Supv. Rahmlow to table soccer field at a cost of \$6,000. Yes 4 No 1 (Bowers) MC***

**CONSIDERATION OF FIREARMS POLICY IN LIGHT OF NEW CONCEALED CARRY LAW - tabled**

**UPDATE ON FINAL PAVING - SCENIC VIEW ESTATES**

Attorney working on contacting developer and bank.

**DISCUSS PLANS FOR SNOW PLOWING**

Supv. Lowney stated that he thought the town could save money if both vehicles (truck and pay loader) on the road and contract with a private company to clean the parking lots.

**CONSIDERATION OF COUNTY MAINTENANCE CONTRACT**

***Motion by Supv. Rahmlow/Supv. Gonnering to approve the County Maintenance Contract at a cost of \$30,715 for 2012. 5 Yes 0 No MC***

**CONSIDERATION OF PLUMBING UPDATES/REPAIRS REQUIRED AT PARK - tabled**

**DISCUSS CLOSING WELL AT VFW PARK – tabled**

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**CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE ON ADDRESS SIGNS**

*Motion by Supv. Lowney/Supv. Bowers to approve Ordinance #11-01 Concerning the Installation of Address Signs. 5 Yes 0 no MC*

**CONSIDERATION OF UPDATED COUNTY COMP PLAN UPDATE ON FARMLAND PRESERVATION**

*Motion by Supv. Lowney/Supv. Gonnering to have Attorney send letter to County objecting to any deviation from the approved Town of Freedom Smart Growth Plan that was submitted to the County. 5 Yes 0 No MC*

**CONSIDERATION OF OPERATOR'S LICENSE APPLICATIONS**

*Motion by Supv. Lowney/Supv. Bowers to approve Operators license for Jeremy Roose, Courtney Klug, Ashley Geurts, Alex Van Vreede, Mary Geurts and Jessica Koleske pending Police Chief review. 5 Yes 0 No MC*

**DISCUSSION ON CELL TOWER LEASE/BUYOUT**

Buy out on cell tower would be \$137,000. Town is currently receiving \$907.50 per month with escalation clause every 5 years.

*Motion by Supv. Gonnering/Supv. Lowney to counter the offer at \$250,000. 5 Yes 0 No MC*

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Clerks and Public Works reports reviewed.

**CONSIDERATION OF GREIVANCE POLICY FOR EMPLOYEES AS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW**

*Motion by Supv. Lowney/Supv. Rahmlow to approve Resolution #11-03 concerning Employee Greivance Policy. 5 Yes 0 No MC*

**ENGINEER REPORT & REPORT ON DRAINAGE ISSUES**

Engineer reported on progress on County J & Van Asten Rd drainage issue.

**ATTORNEY REPORT** – Items covered during meeting

**CONSIDERATION OF VOUCHERS & DD**

*Motion by Supv. Bowers/Supv. Gonnering to approve vouchers #25028 to 25060 and DD #4349 to 4432 excluding 4351, and 4423 to 4426. 5 Yes 0 No MC*

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**SET DATES & TIMES FOR BUDGET WORKSHOPS**

Board will meet at 5:00 p.m. on October 5, 2011 to begin working on budget.

**ADJOURN**

***Motion by Supv. Gonnering/Supv. Bowers to adjourn at 9:40 p.m. 5 Yes 0 No MC***

**Barbara M. Seegers, Clerk**