

TOWN OF CUTLER MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
Tuesday April 21, 2020
CUTLER TOWN HALL N10846 2nd Ave; Camp Douglas, WI

Town Board Members in attendance: Martin Potter (Chairman), Bobbie Georgeson (Clerk), Curt Jorgensen (Supervisor), James Hayward Sr. (Supervisor), and Terry Dawn Hayward (Treasurer). Jim Brown, Robert Fink, Fire Chief Scott Fisher, Greg Ebert, and Charles Batten were also in attendance. Martin called the Monthly meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

Minutes: Curt Jorgensen made a motion to accept the Monthly Board Meeting Minutes, Jim Hayward seconded, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report Terry gave the March financial report. Curt made a motion to accept the report, Jim seconded, motion carried.

- Terry reported that 18 delinquent taxes are remaining. Martin mentioned that the county is currently looking at waiving penalties and interest on past due property taxes, due April 1, 2020 or later. Terry was directed to send notices out to the 18 delinquent people, long with Tim Dailey (Eagles Nest Resort owner).
- 12 Month CD at OCU matured 4/20/2020 \$48,938.50, it was just rolled over.
- Notice of Lottery and Gaming Credit Distribution received. \$17,254.62 was received April 2020.
- US Fish & Wildlife sent notice of Refuge Revenue Sharing Act annual payment of \$11,651, payable week of 18 May 2020.
- Terry received \$769.69 payment for Larry Batten property removed from the Managed Forest Lands program. A portion (20%) of this will be forwarded to county later this year, when the other portion is received.

Clerk's Report Bobbie K reported correspondence received during the month.

- Scott Fisher completed Chief portion of state fire dues reporting.
- Bobbie completed and sent Qtr. 1 state and federal tax reports.
- WTA sent clarification that Town meetings are not under the 10 person limit, but they must adhere to the 6' spacing. That is why we are able to continue with tonight's meetings.
- BOR training materials have arrived. Board to complete training 22 April 2020.
- Bob Conant made an error with Brian Tatu's property. He didn't remove donated buildings, the fire department used for training exercise. Therefore, per Neil Betts (current assessor), we are required to reimburse Brain the taxes he paid for 2019, \$1,294.97, for those buildings. Bobbie will file "Charge Back" paperwork with the state, to try to get Necedah School and County to reimburse their portion of this money, by Oct 1, 2020. The school and county have until Feb 2021 to repay town, if the state approves application. Jim H made a motion to send Brian payment immediately, Curt seconded. Motion passed. Check was prepared and sent out.
- WTA sent notice of annual dues, and requests member contact information be updated. Bobbie completed form, and returned with tonight's payment.
- American Transparency requested information per FOIA. Bobbie completed request 21 March 2020, to their satisfaction (per email).
- Juneau County gave driveway permit to WI DNR, for Cty H, temporary access for timber sale.
- Juneau County Public Works Department sent notice they will begin working 10 hour days, starting April6, 2020. Work will be Monday through Thursday 6:00 am to 4:00 pm. Office is also closed on Fridays!
- Juneau County Board of Supervisors sent 2020 CENSUS information, urging towns to remind their residents of the importance of filling out the 2020 CENSUS.
- Burning Permits are suspended until further notice, effective March 27, 2020. Bobbie has posted on the website, per Chief, Scott Fisher's request. Due to COVID-19. Scott has asked that if anyone sees burning,

PLEASE, call him at 608-377-2811, he will meet with the offender, explaining the consequences if they continue to disobey the order. DNR or police will issue \$500 fines, first offense...

- Scott Construction sent notice of minimization of business travel to conferences and seminars, postponement of hosting or participating in large group meetings and gatherings, suspension of the availability of their offices. Deferral or limitation of in person meetings in favor of phone, email or web conferencing communications.
- Rural Insurance sent notice stating, "By receipt of this notice you have been notified, under the Terrorism Risk insurance Act, as amended, that coverage under this policy for any losses resulting from certified acts of terrorism, may be partially reimbursed by the United States Government and may be subject to a \$100 billion cap that may reduce your coverage."
- JC Zoning & Sanitation Dept. sent notice for verification of maintenance for Town hall sewer. Clay's Septic has been called, for service.
- Representative Tony Kurtz sent a personal Thank-you, for the hard work for the 7 April election.
- Howard Marklein's office has requested list of election workers serving for the April election. He wants to send personal thank-you to each person. Bobbie sent list.
- Miscellaneous magazines and local newsletters received.

Communications to the Board:

- Martin attended the virtual CDR special meeting regarding the CDR billing services need. Andres Medical Billing, Ltd (AMB) submitted 2 options providing this needed service. Members decided to accept option that pays AMB 6.5% on collections, not the option which paid \$25 per run/before the collection.
- Martin received a letter from Tim Path, representing him and his brothers. They have recently purchased land which borders 4th Street and 23rd Street, which recently had two new driveways installed. The driveways suffered damages (along with 23rd Street) and they would like the town to reimburse partial payment for the repairs to their driveways. No compensation for driveway repairs, town repaired road at this location, which is town's responsibility. Path's paid to remove beaver blockage from 4th St culvert, requested reimbursement (\$300) or that the town install beaver culvert barrier for the culvert on 4th Street. Jim Brown was directed to see what can be accomplished to divert beaver nuisance at this culvert. Martin following up with the Path's.

Town Permit Application determinations

- Cutler Voluntary Fire Co. submitted Picnic License, with fee, for Annual Celebration for Aug. 7, 2020. Curt made a motion to accept application, Jim seconded, motion carried. Bobbie completed License and delivered to Scott Fisher.
- Jean Woggon (Gary Woggon) submitted Driveway Application. Martin inspected, culvert is necessary. Curt made a motion to accept application, Jim seconded, motion carried. Bobbie completed and mailed copy to the Woggon's.
- GEC Inspection Department **WILL** continue to perform building inspections and issue building permits as staffing permits. However, inspectors will avoid entering occupied homes for interior remodels or any other interior projects where doing so may compromise their safety. Therefore, the inspector will accept sufficient photos or video evidence in order to approve the project when the health-safety of inspectors may be at risk. Contact your inspector with any questions or concerns.
- 2020 Building Permit Applications spreadsheet was received.

Unfinished Business

- 2nd Ave Bridge Working Group- Martin reported that the parts/pieces for repairs are in Mauston. County is getting the work on their schedule. Jim H mentioned that this area is becoming a dumping site for trash and tires. Jim B directed to get cleaned up.
- TRIP program – nothing at this time.
- Election Update – 39 absentee ballots sent for April election, 35 were returned by 8 pm 7 April. Total of 106 voters participated 7 April. 16 absentee ballots were mailed for 12 May election, so far. Public Test

for May 12 Election will occur immediately following May's monthly meeting. As a precaution, Bobbie asked that if full absentee ballot requirement comes down that she can get assistance from election worker(s) to address and prepare the 210+ ballots for mailing. Curt made a motion to allow this, if needed. Martin seconded. Motion passed.

Highway Maintenance

- Jim Brown reported hauling and placing 3 loads of rock, for road repairs, on 22nd Street, 23rd Street, and Canary.
- Jim proposed contacting Orange Town, asking they cut back trees along Canary. They receive 50% funding from state to maintain this shared road, Cutler town has been paying for all costs incurred to date. Board agreed that he may ask.
- Martin reported that Jim needs to address beaver concerns on 6th Ave, again. He's to get someone to trap beaver NOW. 6th Ave is flooded AGAIN, due to beaver damming the culverts there.
- Jim has been replacing multiple missing signs, and ordered others (along with new posts). Someone is going around the town cutting off the sign posts, a few feet from the ground surface, and stealing the signs. **If you see this happening, or have any information about this, please, report it to any town board member, immediately!**
- Tires, TVs, cans, and garbage is being dumped in various locations around the town. Jim is directed to get this removed from town road right of ways. But, this is not going to solve the issue. **If you see this happening, or have any information about this, please, report it to any town board member, immediately!**

New Business

- T ASD had school meeting Monday night to determine new last day for FY19-20 school year. Cindy Zahrte has retired, School Superintendent replacement has been selected.
- Road Tour Date selection was postponed until next monthly meeting.
- Open Book Date is set for April 29, 2020 5:00 pm-7:00 pm, at town hall. Neil Betts sent notice to clerk, along with Board of Review date of May 28, 2020 5:00 pm-7:00 pm, at town hall.

Payment of Vouchers Various bills were presented, reviewed by the board and approved for payment.

Public Comment Greg Ebert requested that Cutler Town allow him to hold New Years Eve fireworks shoot, allowing him to sell fireworks again this year. Chief Fisher mentioned his appreciation for last year's donation to the Fire Department. Bobbie will place item on May Agenda.

Next Monthly Meeting Monday, May 11, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

Curt made a motion to adjourn, Martin seconded, motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:35 pm
Bobbie K Georgeson, Clerk