

TOWN OF SHELBY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: September 14th, 2015

LOCATION: Shelby Town Hall

TIME: 4:30 PM

TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT: Chairperson Tim Candahl, Supervisor Tim Ehler, Supervisor Joyce Wichelt, Administrator Jeff Brudos, Clerk Michelle Kind

TOWN OFFICIALS EXCUSED: none

ATTENDANCE LIST: see attached

1. Call to order at 4:30pm by Candahl.
2. Motion by Wichelt/Ehler to approve the minutes with corrections of August 24th, 2015. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Wichelt/Ehler to approve the minutes with corrections of August 28th, 2015. Motion carried.
4. Motion by Wichelt/Ehler to approve the minutes of September 2nd, 2015. Motion carried.
5. Motion by Ehler/Wichelt to approve the payment of bills as presented in the amount of \$58,882.64. Motion carried.
6. Citizens Comments: Paul Rentmeester noted his cell service is poor in the Valley. The validity of the cell tower project, and municipality control with the possible upcoming developments and safety for medical staff were noted. We need local input on placement but not to limit our safety by not having service. It would be great to put the tower in an area that benefits as many as possible. He is in favor of the tower.
Jerome Fink noted his family has Verizon cell service and cannot get a call through in his home. No one wants towers in their backyard but if we have one we could get better service.
Arthur Sexauer noted that if we can block the cell tower long enough to put them on the water tower instead, we would have increased revenues to help pay for the water tower. That benefits the most people as possible.
Lynnetta Kopp noted the meeting of 9/2 was not a closed meeting so why where there no details in the minutes? The tower will affect everyone. The Board pay has a maximum each month but you do not have to take it all. Tim Ehler did not return her phone call regarding weeds in the park two weeks ago.
Paul Zei noted that minutes are not word for word and would get costly if printed as such. The paper and time incurred will increase our budget if you add every detail.
7. County Board of Adjustments – none.
Brudos noted there will not be a Planning Meeting Thursday due to no items to act on. The County is to be sending changes to Chapter 17 but have not received them yet. Ehler and Wichelt attended the County meeting 8/31 and noted Shelby does not recommend the cell tower at the current location and gave us 30 days to review. The

Town Board would like to see if a delay can be obtained and discuss the possibilities of putting it on the Water Tower if it is built. Brudos reviewed details with County Zoning.

8. Discussion held on the Water Tower/well project. Brudos reviewed email sent from Attorney Kevin Roop, copies were given to Board. Candahl recommended a working meeting with the Sanitary District. The S.D. next meeting is currently scheduled for Wed. 9/23 at 4:30pm.
9. Motion by Wichelt/Ehler to approve the Cold Mix TRIP project of \$54,714.00 to Scott Construction. They were the only bid received. This will go from Johnson Road to the Cemetery. Additional areas are not included in this TRIP project but will be reviewed this spring. Motion carried.
10. Discussion held on the Dental Plan for employees. Brudos gave a memo to the Board with options of a less costly plan, see attached. By 9/25 the Town must notify the State if they want to continue with their plan as we have for many years. The quoted plan offers better benefits at a lower cost to the Town. Motion by Ehler/Wichelt to come out of the State Health Care plan for Dental, review the quote from Brown & Brown or another carrier, and to look at the entire Health care package. Motion carried.
11. Motion by Wichelt/Ehler to approve a withdrawal \$1,785.00 from Fund B to purchase new carrying boards for the 1st Responders. Most of this money was earned by the Golf Outing held last month. Motion Carried.
12. Discussion held on contributing to Powell Park and its new project aimed to provide a park with Adaptive Therapy conducive to special needs children with the City of La Crosse and the La Crosse Autism Foundation. Candahl would like to see if we can make a gesture to the City and coming together for projects. The Library funding was discussed. Candahl asked if the Board had other options to recommend. Wichelt noted the City has difficulty with the SYB parking lot and did not support any monetary funding for any project. Ehler requested more information, but we have to come to the City with something, and the Library is not it. Candahl noted this would be a onetime contribution and we are getting benefits by working with the City on projects. From the meetings he's attended it is important. No action taken.
13. Fire Department report – see attached. Wichelt inquired on the number of responders per call. Candahl noted that volunteers arrive at the station and go out as needed. We need to get good response times especially during the day. Sometimes we wait 3-4 minutes before anyone responds. Brudos is reviewing the calls.
14. Discussion held as Representative Steve Doyle and State Senator Jennifer Shilling arrived for discussion on the proposed Cell Tower located off Knobloch. Doyle gave a review of the statute and when the bill was passed. He was opposed to the bill and noted he as well as the County has minimal control regulating cell towers. Contact Ron Kind's office to see if anything can be done at the Federal level. Many other communities around Wisconsin have the same issue. Shilling suggested the concerned citizens contact their representatives from WCA, Town's Association, Ron Kind's office, Ho Chuck Nations etc., to see if they can urge them to delay or postpone the cell tower's construction. Steve Kopp noted if the FCC could be of help. Lynnetta Kopp thanked them for coming and asked if we can keep the wheel going and get something started

through back room talks, leaders can make the changes, how do we get local control? Doyle spoke that all our lobbyist need to speak to the Republicans and the Joint Finance Committee. Get the people on board who can get the bill passed. William Agger noted so many have tried to protect the bluffs and this tower would mar the landscape. He has Verizon cell service and would like to see the compromise of putting it on the Water Tower. Buy time looking into the Indian Burial sites and Archeological surveys. Steve Mader of Town of Greenfield Board noted they have two towers in Greenfield already and our top priority is to preserve open distances. How do we approach the FCC? Doyle recommended a call to Ron Kind's office and follow through with the Indian Burial grounds. Kris Clough spoke that she also has had bad Verizon service and the Cell Tower lines can be dangerous if not fenced off especially in the winter from ice chunks falling. Richard Romeyn inquired about Federal Environmental Law. Shilling responded she is not sure of the citizen response in the room that is for or against the Tower but that she was surprised by so many people and thought she was being asked to speak with just the Supervisors. She suggested following up with the Ho Chuck nation if burial sites can delay the construction. Form letters from residents do not get looked at, so write personal stories. Constituents should contact their representative and copy in Shilling and Doyle, then they know what is happening. Candahl noted the Town opposed the site of the Conditional Use permit for the Cell Tower and attended the County meeting. The FAA was also discussed. The Town Board thanked Shilling and Doyle for coming. Brudos to contact the Historical Society and follow up with the Archeological Society and email the Board with follow up. Ehler noted that the Town's association is having a meeting next month and this could be an issue they can bring up to focus on.

15. Police Department report – see attached.
16. Administrator/Treasurer – see attached.
17. Clerk reported the Bank Rec spreadsheet and requested the Board get back to the Office on LAPC meeting 10/8/15 if they would like to attend.
18. Candahl requested Brudos check on who is responsible for mowing by Hagen and Schmidty's. He has had several meetings with the City.
19. Ehler requested Brudos check on the dumpster on Boma Road.
20. Wichelt moved to adjourn at 6:18pm, seconded by Ehler.

Next regular scheduled meeting to be held is Monday, September 28th, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Kind, Clerk WCMC