

October 7, 2020 Regular Town Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the Town Board was called to order by Chairman Gaulke at 1:00 p.m. Supervisor Mayer, Supervisor Cobb and Clerk Nancy Edwards, Treasurer Irene Messinger were present. .

Others present: Jim Sommerfeldt, Roberta Gast, Tom Maulson, Joe Wildcat.

This meeting was properly posted and the media notified as required by law.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Motion by Supervisor Cobb seconded by Supervisor Mayer to approve the agenda.

Motion carried.

Motion by Supervisor Cobb seconded by Supervisor Mayer to approve vouchers of the General Fund 52661 and vouchers 52668-52723 and Ambulance Vouchers 1841-1842. Motion Carried. Chairman Gaulke abstained as one of the checks was for his employer.

Motion by Supervisor Mayer seconded by Chairman Gaulke to approve the minutes of the September 2, 2020 Regular Town Board Meeting, Motion carried.

Treasurers Report: Treasurer Irene Messinger reported the reconciled balance of the General Fund as of 9/30/2020 as \$933,193.19. Reconciled balance of the Ambulance Fund as of 9/30/2020 as \$422,288.57. Motion by Supervisor Mayer seconded by Supervisor Cobb to accept the treasurer's report as presented.

Motion Carried:

Public Comments: None

Squaw Lake Roads/lake/creek name change: Tom Maulson had taken this item to the tribal council. The council has passed Resolution No. 301 (20) Directing submittal of Geographic Name Proposals to Eliminate Offensive, Derogatory and Racist names of Local Geographic Features. They have also sent a request to the DNR for a name change of Squaw Lake and Creek, they also have contacted the Town of Minocqua. They are looking for the towns support. Motion by Supervisor Cobb to support the name change of Squaw Roads, trails to lkwe which has the Ojibwe word meaning "woman" in a respectful way and send a letter of support for the name change to the DNR for the lake and creek. Motion seconded by Supervisor Mayer. Motion carried.

Request to bore under town road. A request from received from Howard Brothers to bore under Plummer Lake Road for the purpose of a septic system. Motion by Supervisor Mayer seconded by Supervisor Cobb to allow the boring under Plummer Lake Road. Motion carried. A 250.00 bond has been received and will be returned upon approval by the Town Chairman after the work has been completed. Chairman Gaulke asked if the board if he could change the order of the agenda to accommodate those present. The board agreed.

Tribal Resolution #325 (20) #327 (20) Mandating Masks, Mandating Quarantine for Positive Test i\Individuals. Because of the increase in cases of Covid-19 in our area the tribal council passed resolution #325 (20) Mandating wearing of Masks to prevent the spread of Covid-19, and resolution #327 (20) Mandating quarantine for individuals who test positive for Covid-19 who are identified by health officials as a close contact of a positive Covid -19 case. The tribe is looking to the town for a concurrent agreement of the two resolutions. Motion by Supervisor Cobb seconded by Supervisor Mayer to have a concurrent agreement supporting Tribal Resolutions #325 and #327. Motion carried.

Update Annual Meeting time/date/location: Mr. Gaulke explained we have been looking for a place that would be compliant with the resolutions in place for a safe place to hold our Annual Town Meeting which was originally scheduled for April 2020. We also will have to hold a budget meeting in order to set the budget and levy for 2021. Mr. Gaulke asked President Wildcat if there was a place such as the Tribal Bingo Hall or Casino that could be available or a waiver given to hold these two important meetings. President Wildcat will meet with the tribal council to see if an area could be arranged. He will get back to us as soon as possible.

Lake Placid Lake Association Channel work: A request was received from Lake Placid Lake Association to possibly do some channel work such as replacing pilings along the channel. They have put aside \$10,000 to do the work. Motion by Supervisor Mayer seconded by Supervisor Cobb to allow the project and have them get the DNR and Tribal Natural Resources approval of what can be done. Motion carried.

Motion by Supervisor Mayer seconded by Supervisor Cobb to adjourn at 1:43 p.m.
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Edwards
Town Clerk