

NOTICE TO RESIDENTS
TOWN OF CRESCENT
MINUTES FOR
MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2011
7:00 P.M., CRESCENT TOWN HALL

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Bill Treder called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was properly posted.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call was taken. Members present were:

William Treder, Chairman
Grady Hartman, Supervisor I
Adrian Turgeon, Supervisor II

Tracy Hartman, Clerk
Carla Fletcher, Treasurer

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by G. Hartman to approve the agenda. Seconded by Turgeon. All aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by G. Hartman to approve minutes from April 12, 2011. Seconded by Turgeon. All aye. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A written report was received by Treasurer, Carla Fletcher.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT AND APPROVAL OF PURCHASES

Ken Orton was present and gave a written and oral report to the Board. There were three calls in the month of April, two in Crescent and one in Harrison. He received the check from the DNR for the grant, \$733.00. There is another grant that will be available in July and Ken is getting everything ready for that. There are also a few new guys on the department and he has ordered turnout gear for them. He is also in the process of getting all of the pagers reprogrammed for narrow band. Turgeon asked if any turnout gear has been returned from people that have quit the department. Orton stated that everything has been turned back in and handed out to new members. He has needed to order new gear for some of the new people because we don't have the right size. All turnout gear is compliant. We are currently at 24 members. Orton stated that there are some people that are very involved with the department.

FIRST RESPONDER'S REPORT AND APPROVAL OF PURCHASES

Greg Zeske was not present.

COUNTY BOARD SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Young was present and gave an oral report to the Board. Next Tuesday there is going to be a public meeting on comprehensive planning. Young has heard that there are going to be a lot of people protesting comprehensive planning, however, the Board is going to vote on it. Young stated that the Board is also looking at what can be done to prepare for the budget cuts from the State. There is an ad hoc committee

that is looking at consolidating committees to cut down on meetings, etc. There was also a meeting last week looking at redistricting after the census and Crescent will stay almost the same.

LIBRARY REPORT

Harry Whidden was present and gave a written report to the Board and Whidden has asked Ed Hughes, director, and Tom Hurlbutt, Childrens librarian were present to give a presentation. Hughes gave a handout on how to access consumer reports on line. He also handed out a statistics sheet that showed adult usage is up 3.39% from last year and that overall usage is up 2.57%. Tom Hurlbutt was present and gave a handout with all of the children's summer programs listed. Hurlbutt stated that before the end of the year he will be going out to all of the schools and visiting all of the classes encouraging children to visit the library this summer. Hurlbutt stated that there is a large turnout for all of the summer programs and they are having to hand out tickets to limit the numbers. Whidden stated that the computer usage is up and the children's programs are paid for by other organizations in the community.

TOWN PLAN COMMISSION REPORT

None

UNIFORM DWELLING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

None

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion/Possible Decision RE: ATV Ordinance

Todd Henkel stated that since the last meeting he has spoken to other townships that have opened their roads to ATV's. John Bailey from Lincoln County was present and informed Henkel that there have been few problems reported. He stated that he believes they have raised enough money to put signs on all of the roads. Henkel stated that he is estimating between 60-70 roads that will need to have route signage and 45 speed limit signs. He stated he has estimated the cost of the road signs and is creating a plan of how to post them. The Board would allow them to use current posts when appropriate and they will supply the remainder. He would be able to purchase 40 route signs, 15 speed signs and 14-16 arrows. They would currently be able to put signs on all roads leading into Lincoln County and every road that feeds into it. He believes that right now they would be able to have all of the signs in and posted by July 1. Treder opened it up to the floor for discussion. Joe Kennedy expressed concern that ATV's do not have to have insurance and who would be responsible if there was an accident. He is also concerned as to what would happen when the ATV's start going on individual properties. Treder stated that it would be up to the owner of the ATV to get insurance. Denis Laddusire stated that he was president of the Oneida County ATV club and he feels that ATV clubs promote safety much more that snowmobile clubs do. Laddusire stated that riders have the right to stop other riders and report them to the Sheriff's Department if they are breaking the law. Connie Anderson questioned why we are looking at approving all town roads when not all town roads connect to the system. Jim Gehrke asked if anyone has looked at how various roads connect to different trails and what would be the best route. He also asked if the Board is looking at having a public meeting, like they did for zoning. Treder stated that he personally is in favor of opening portions of roads and seeing how things go. Gary Cirilli stated that the proposal is for limited routes, whereas, the zoning issue impacted all residents. Joe Kennedy asked if all driveways will need to have signs. Treder stated that there would need to be if we were looking at trails, however, we are looking at routes and there are different rules. G. Hartman stated that he believes we should try opening roads in limited areas first, south of Hwy 8 and roads that connect with Lincoln County and we would need to set a speed limit before they are expected to buy signs. G. Hartman stated that he believes that tonight the decision needs to be made if we are going to move forward with it and set a date for all of it to happen. G. Hartman stated that he received an e-mail from the DNR and they are recommending no faster than 35 mph and anyplace within 150 feet of a residence needs to be 10 mph. Gary Cirilli stated that they are

looking at 25 mph. Henkel stated that Nokomis is currently at 25 mph. Treder also received a call from Sue Johnson, Woodboro, and they will also be looking at this issue tonight. Hartman stated that the Board is in agreement unanimously that we want to try this and will spend the next month working out the logistics.

Motion made by G. Hartman that in the future Crescent will be opening roads in Crescent, to be named in an ordinance which will be presented at the June meeting, and gives permission to the Crescent ATV Club to begin ordering signs. Seconded by Turgeon. All aye. Motion carried.

Discussion/Possible Decision RE: Zoning

Treder stated that we need to address zoning now that the election was held in April. The referendum question was on the ballot in April and the results of that question were 398 no and 254 yes which is 64% against more restrictive zoning. G. Hartman stated that we have stated all along we would go with the people. Turgeon stated that if the vote had been closer he would have more concerns but 64% is a pretty big number.

Motion made by G. Hartman to keep zoning as it currently is. Seconded by Turgeon. All aye. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion/Possible Decision RE: Larry Schreiber, Water line

Treder stated that Larry Schreiber has requested to put a water line under North Rifle road to connect the properties on both sides of the road. He stated that the 2" water line will go 12 feet under the road and will not come up until it is off the road right of way. Don Kress stated that he has no concerns about this.

Turgeon made a motion to approve a water line to go under North Rifle Road to connect Larry Schreibers property to Tom Taylor's property on the other side of the road. Seconded by G. Hartman

Discussion/Possible Decision RE: Road Name Proposal

There is a subdivision off of Hwy 17 that has a road that is currently unnamed. The County needs approval from the Board before moving forward with this.

Motion by G. Hartman to approve the name Overland Drive for the road off of Hwy 17. Seconded by Turgeon. All aye. Motion carried.

Discussion/Possible Decision RE: Resolution to change posting locations

Treder explained that we are required to have three posting locations and currently are posting in four locations. We are looking at dropping the posting located at the Crescent BP.

Motion by Turgeon to approve Resolution 11-01 to change posting locations. Seconded by Hartman. All aye. Motion carried.

Discussion/Possible Decision RE: Set Date for Road Bids

The Board inspected the roads last Friday and currently are looking at Davenport Street (2/10 mile), Boyce Drive from Windy Hill to Range Line, Firetower from Woodboro town line for 1.9 miles, Lassig Road from Hwy 17 to Range Line and then Boyce Drive from Hwy 17 to where it meets Range Line. Turgeon stated that he received quite a few number of complaints on South River Road and it has only been 13 years since it has been repaved. Bob McMahan, Fahrner Asphalt, was present and stated that it would be difficult to completely fix that road due to the road sinking or clay pockets pushing water up. McMahan stated that they would be able to do a spray injection patching on that road and would probably be able to save some of that. G. Hartman

stated that McMahon is also recommending Chip Sealing Crescent Road and South Rifle Road and this would save those roads for many years. G. Hartman thinks that we should request bids for Davenport, Firetower broken up into half mile section starting from the East where the new blacktop ends, Boyce Drive from Range Line to Hwy 17. Don Kress stated that part of the bid will have to include changing a culvert on Boyce Drive and will have to include shouldering on Davenport Drive. G. Hartman stated that we should also bid out chip sealing Crescent and South Rifle Road and would like the bid to specify Copper Slag. G. Hartman would also like to see a bid on the spray injection patching on South River Road. Bids will be opened at the June 14th meeting.

Discussion/Possible Decision RE: Set Date for Leaf Bins and Chipper

Don Kress stated that June 1, 2, 3 would work for Chipping and have the Leaf Bins available the week of memorial weekend. G. Hartman would also like to see a tire recycling date. T. Hartman will look into it.

Discussion/Possible Decision RE: Approve Applications for Operator's Licenses

None

Discussion/Possible Decision RE: Approve Driveway Permits

None

FIFTEEN MINUTES OF PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Tim Zeske asked if there has been any decisions on a sign for the Town of Crescent Town Hall/Fire Department. The Board has not looked into that recently and will start that again.

Jim Gehrke asked what the status of the Town Plan Commission is and if the opening is going to be filled. G. Hartman requested that this be on the agenda for next month.

REVIEW CORRESPONDENCE

T. Hartman presented the Board with the applications for a credit card from People's Bank. All Board members signed the applications.

None

Motion by G. Hartman to approve vouchers as submitted and adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Seconded by Turgeon. All aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Tracy Hartman
Municipal Clerk