

TOWN OF SMELSER JANUARY 2015 MONTHLY MINUTES

Monthly meeting for the Town of Smelser called to order by chairman Pat Klar on January 8, 2015, 7:00pm at the Georgetown Hall. Pledge of Allegiance recited. Roll call taken. All members present. Quorum noted. Proof of posting at 3 sites, town hall and release to Tri-County Press has occurred.

December 11, 2014 monthly minutes read. Motion to approve minutes as read by Rob Droessler. Second by Ken Runde. Motion carried.

Pat Klar addressed audience with acknowledgment to volunteers for cemetery restoration and town hall upkeep. Appreciation to Dan Harry, Jr for the excellent job he did. He went out of his way to serve this town. Appreciation to Ken Runde for going above and beyond to keep the roads cleared. Chairman asks that order be maintained during the meeting so all attendees can here.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dan Harry, Sr feels a handful of disgruntled residents "attacked his sons character, name and his integrity and by doing so put him into what would be considered a hostile work environment". He feels a public apology is in order. He requested a list of roads maintained by township and amount of funding from state and federal levels. He feels all roads should be treated equally.

Rod Williams addressed turning Loeffelholz Rd. into a gravel road. Feels road has been neglected over time. He is in favor of a full time patrolman to monitor roads. Reports lack of care to underbrush growth on Rock Rd. Feels township should not consider owning two town trucks due to cost of insurance and lack of garage space. Culvert going south from his home is plugged. Feels Loeffelholz Rd would benefit from wedging.

Gabe Loeffelholz acknowledged Nancy Loeffelholz for her ten years of dedicated service as treasurer. He feels Loeffelholz Rd. has not been maintained over the years.

Mark Hirsch felt that agenda could be changed to allow public comment during discussion on issues rather than public comment limited to beginning of meeting. He also encouraged public to step up front to address the audience as well as the board.

Colt Wall expressed disappointment at not being able to speak at December 2014 meeting but understands time constraints.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CLERK

Printer has been purchased. New computer being ordered. Post election audit completed with no deficiencies. District meeting to be held at Belmont Convention Center on February 6, 2015. Caucus to be held on January 17, 2015 at 1:00pm

REPORT FROM BOARD

Paper work documenting warranty work on Model Rd. has been received from Scott Construction. Plan on using slag material as it is more resistant. Contract signed and will be returned to Scott Construction.

Estimated cost submitted by Scott Construction for re-doing Loeffelholz Rd. To wedge south end of Loeffelholz Rd (that would be from the quarry south to the intersection to

entrance the yield sign) cost would be \$35,500. To pulverize the north end(that would be Quarry ~~to~~ to Airport Rd) cost would be \$4,000. The town would then need to ditch, grade and re-gravel for prep. Then recommend a 3" mat (920 tons) at a cost of \$65,500. But still where turning takes place there will be peeling of road.

Platteville Fire Service Agreement. Changes include increasing fire calls to \$750/call. Those monies above \$250 would go into a fund to purchase future equipment thus reducing the towns costs.

Pat Klar and Kim Kieler attended meeting with Cuba City mayor Tom Gile and city clerk Kathy Schultz. Yearly cost would be based on valuation, population and average of fire calls over the past 5 years.

Ken reported new tires on truck and front end aligned. New truck cost is approximately \$168,000. Ken asks that the board consider a 12' blade on the front of the grader at cost of \$11,500. This way the township would have 2 plows. Elk Grove and Darlington currently using this equipment. Two more loads of chips and salt has been ordered. Recommend purchase of hay rack for snow fencing equipment storage and handling.

Rob Droessler has been in contact with Town of Paris to discuss utilizing extended arm brush cutter. Ken has made contact with 2 tree trimming businesses and is awaiting a reply with pricing. He will also contact Luke Droessler for a price.

Tank inspection at town shop revealed that an anti-siphon device needs to be applied. Kim will contact Heer Oil and ask them to correct.

IMPLEMENTS OF HUSBANDRY

Motion by Ken Runde to utilize option A which is the posting approach. Second by Rob Droessler. Motion carried.

Pat Klar made a motion to go to closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat 19.85(1)(c) to discuss hiring a patrolman. Second by Rob Droessler. Motion carried. Board convened to closed session at 8:35pm.

Motion to reconvene to open session at 8:50pm by Ken Runde. Second by Rob Droessler. Motion carried.

HIRING OF PATROLMAN

Board offered patrolman job to Jerry Kieler at \$14.00/hr pending passing drug screen and presenting a valid CDL license. Patrolman job is part-time at 34 hours. Hours are dependent on weather. Ken Runde will be contact person.

Date of next monthly meeting is February 12, 2015 at 7:00pm.

Bills were reviewed and paid.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Beginning balance	\$74,046.86
<u>Bills</u>	<u>12,542.96</u>
Ending balance	\$61,503.90

Motion to adjourn by Rob Droessler. Second by Ken Runde. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:07pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kim Kieler,clerk