

Annual Meeting of the Electors
Tuesday, April 16, 2019
Townsend Town Hall
6:00 p.m.

Chairperson Carla Van Camp called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

Roll call: Chairperson Carla Van Camp; Supervisor Dan Martin; Supervisor Linda Adamczyk; Treasurer Beth Hartman; Clerk Linda Ziegler. Thirty-three citizens

Verification of proper agenda notice: Ziegler posted the notice on April 2 at Townsend Post Office, Townsend Town Hall, Karla's Country Kitchen and www.townsendwisconsin.org. and in the Beacon on March 25, 2019

Agenda item #15 was eliminated.

Motion made by Martin to accept the minutes of Annual Board Meeting minutes from April 17, 2018 with corrections, 2nd by Adamczyk – M/A

1. Annual Financial Report – Van Camp pointed out several items. The town sold several items of highway equipment which went into the highway depreciation fund. The Cemetery budget was over due to having several maples cut down. Two culverts were installed in 2018; Summer Ln and Village View. There were several private donations for the Summer Ln project. Cunningham, Calico and part of Archibald Parkway were blacktopped. The Town purchased a used one-ton truck w/plow to replace the purple dump truck. Oughton Park got a park grill and teeter totter. The town hall has a new furnace and air conditioner that can be removed for the future new building. Many of the tires on the highway equipment were replaced. An Advisory Board was formed to improve the activities in the town. The Fire Department loan was paid off with the help of the Fire Department Wives. The Brush Grant we were awarded will purchase 2 cameras for the landfill, update the signage and pay for a chipper to come in. The Library Task Force is progressing very well. Asplundh will be trimming trees the week of April 22nd.

Lakewood and Townsend partnered on the purchase of a new ambulance. An Emergency Fund has been started as a regular budget item. 2019 road projects will be Summer Ln., Warbler and part of Bobcat to be black topped. New service doors on the Fire Department and Highway entrance will be installed next month. Money was added to the depreciation funds with the exception of the Assessor fund. The board approved increasing the cost of the fireworks \$1000.00 over the budgeted amount. Gerald Geise has been busy trapping beavers all ready.

2. NOCCO – Officer James Plotkin introduced himself as the new Recreational Officer replacing Ben Shindle, who is staying in the area in a different capacity. He has 13 years of law enforcement from Racine County and resides in Athelstane. Plotkin stated that the DNR has hired a new agent for the Lakewood station. Daniel Workey is the new Oconto County Recreational Officer and another four officers have been sworn in. The Lakewood Ranger station will be his northern headquarters.

Linda Adamczyk said there has been much progress between the 7-towns to standardize the recreational ordinances. The Municipal Court in Gillett is producing revenues for the town.

3. Ambulance – Steve Harkema - The new ambulance is 4-wheel drive and has a power lift. A new ambulance board has been formed consisting of 4 citizens (2 Lakewood, 2 Townsend) and three vote members of the ambulance. 2019's projects include new member recruitment and continued training. (report on file)
4. Fire Department – No report
5. Festival Assoc – Cindy Bronold said they hope to have a T-Ball league this year. It will depend on the number of kids who participate. The Men's Softball Tourney is June 29, Mardi Gras overflow is July 13 and the Independence Day activities and fireworks are July 4th. With the passing of Renee Kosch and the age of some of the other members, Cindy is looking for new participants. Van Camp added that the town did some updating to the ball field area last summer.
6. Comprehensive Planning Commission – Chairperson Tim McGuire acknowledged the hard work and dedication of Bill Dutton who retired from the Commission in 2018, along with Vince McCabe. The new board members are Dave Exferd and Ken Schwebke and alternate Wayne Effenberger, , approved at the April Board Meeting. The Commission continues to update the 20-year plan with the Jamie Broehm of Oconto County. The plan is to give consistency throughout the county on zoning and planning. (report on file)
7. Archibald Lake – Vice President Tim McGuire stated that the lake management plan was finalized in May 2018. The focus is on the Aquatic Invasive Species, water quality protection and fisheries. (report on file)
8. Mary Lake – no report
9. Townsend Flowage Assoc – no report
10. Inland Lakes District – Dwight Ziegler stated that a pointer Intercept survey was completed in 2018, identifying the areas of Aquatic Invasive Species infestations. The Lake management plan will be completed in 2019 and the treatment plan in 2020. The treatment plan is estimated at \$270,000.00. Grants are available, but the cost may make it necessary for the lake fees to triple. A Clean Boats, Clean Water grant was obtained for \$6000.00, however, there is a need for volunteers at the boat landings to educate the boaters. A five-year plan is being developed. (report on file)
11. Pickerel Lake – President Jim Lamers said the Pickerel Chain Lake Association is no in its 6th year and has 90 members. Their main activity is the maintenance of the three aerators. Since the installation, there have been no fish kills. Their fund raisers include the annual picnic on July 20 and several brat fry's this summer at Mike's. Last year, lake owner Ken VanHandel passed away. In tribute, his family is donating a 6x42 rolling type dock for use at the Pickerel Lake board landing. The Town Board approved this donation during the April 9, 2019 regular

board meeting. The membership will be cleaning the beach several times during the summer. They continue monitoring the water quality and invasive species. The DNR is planning a fish survey in 2020.

The Annual meeting is May 25 at the Townsend Town hall. (report on file)

12. Red Arrow – President Gary Wagner presented two awards presented by AWSC to the Red Arrow. One acknowledging 50 years as a club and the 2nd as Wisconsin Club of the Year! The Forest Hill/Engels ATV trail is still being worked on and hopefully will be open this year. An additional fund raiser is the Script Program through Shell gas. Red Arrow receives 10% from the use of the cards. These are available from Red Arrow Members, Golden Eagle and Karla's Kountry Kitchen. (report on file)

13. Town Advisory – Arnie Grobe explained that the committee was chartered September 26, 2018 with the focus on revitalizing the Town and bring in new life through family friendly activities. The skating rink was available near the ball field. Summer activity ideas include movie night, music in the park, encouraging fresh produce stands, holding a swap meet, Pickle Ball, a Fat Tire race, ect. The committee is also beginning to look at plans for a new town hall locations. The next meeting is April 22 at 5:30pm. All are invited.

14. Smokin-Q Southern Style BBQ – owners Dann and Leslie were on hand to explain their desire to set up their food truck in the Town hall parking lot, in proximity of the ATV trail on Wednesday, Thursdays and some Friday's. They are fully licensed through the state and self-contained. Lee Gerndt asked about wash stations and port a potties. Dann stated that State Law did not require this type of business to provide these facilities. They are a "Grab n Go" business providing they limit their occupancy to less than 6 hours. The Town Board will discuss the permit process and have a policy available at the May board meeting.

15. ~~Fines for illegal dumping~~

16. New Business: Kathleen Marsh explained the Library Task Force. This is an agreement between Doty, Riverview, Townsend with Lakewood to create a Library system and keep the tax money in the area. With the committee's dedication, the plan should be completed in 2020.

17. The date and time for the 2020 Annual meeting will be April 21 at 6pm.

Van Camp introduced the 2019-2021 elected officials: Treasurer Beth Hartman, Clerk Linda Ziegler, Supervisor Linda Adamczyk, Supervisor Claude Bowman, Chairperson Carla VanCamp. She also thanked Dan Martin for his work and dedication for the past two years as Supervisor and thanked all of the speakers at tonight's meeting.

Tim McGuire made the motion to adjourn at 7:45, 2nd by Gary Wagner – M/A