

Town of Presque Isle  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
January 3, 2017

Chairman Jack Harrison called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 6:00pm. Supervisors Adam Johnson and Marshall Reckard were also present. Minutes for the December 1, 2016 meeting were approved by motion. Ms. Sitkiewitz read the treasurer's report.

**Old Business:**

**Committee Appointments - Library Board of Trustees:** Mr. Harrison appointed Robert Berdan and Pam Whipple to the Library Board of Trustees. A motion approving the appointments was made by Mr. Reckard, seconded by Mr. Johnson, Harrison, aye; Johnson, aye; Reckard, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Miscellaneous Board Business and Correspondence:** One of the attendees to the economic summit was not able to attend. Sarah Johnson pursued and acquired a refund of registration expense for that individual.

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** Sarah Johnson inquired about the timing of the fiber-optic upgrade. Mr. Reckard will follow up.

**New Business**

**Chamber of Commerce Report:** Sarah Johnson reported that Chamber revenue for 2016 was \$65,000. She summarized plans for the upcoming year. Her report is attached.

Vouchers 28889 - 28976 with several voids: 28901, and, from earlier meetings, \$4.32 e-payment and #28530 \$382.88 were approved for payment. The meeting was adjourned at 6:19 PM upon motion by Mr. Johnson, second by Mr. Reckard, motion carried.

Town Board Action: Approved, 3-0

Approved: February 2, 2017

Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

Town of Presque Isle  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
February 2, 2017

Chairman Jack Harrison called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 6:00pm. Supervisors Adam Johnson and Marshall Reckard were also present. Minutes for the January 5, 2017 meeting were approved by motion. Ms. Sitkiewitz read the treasurer's report.

**Old Business:**

**Proposed Ordinances:** The Board members reviewed the text of the proposed ordinance changes.

**Subchapter 125 Alternative Disbursement:** A motion adopting Ordinance 2016-02 which authorizes alternative processes for paying bills was made by Mr. Reckard, seconded by Mr. Johnson, Harrison, aye; Johnson, aye; Reckard, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Subchapter 301 Alcohol Beverages:** A motion tabling this ordinance until the next meeting was made by Mr. Reckard, seconded by Mr. Johnson, Harrison, aye; Johnson, aye; Reckard, aye; motion carried, 3-0. Mr. Reckard questioned the class of the licenses affected by this ordinance and legal problems with enforcement. Mr. Johnson will speak with Ordinance Committee members, after which time it may be forwarded to the Town Attorney for review.

**Miscellaneous Board Business and Correspondence:** Ms. Walters asked for an update on the Japanese Knotweed issue that was raised in November. Mr. Johnson will inquire of Constable Meyer.

Economic Development will be asking for Town Board approval to seek designation of the Pipke Park ponds as a hatchery. They have been in contact with Steve Peterson. The DNR has applied for a study involving 100 lakes from which all panfish and bass will be removed. If the ponds are classified as a hatchery, some of the bass and panfish could be put into the ponds. Visitors would not need a fishing license to fish the ponds if they are classified as a hatchery.

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** Dick Hemming was present to report on Zoning Committee activities. A motion was passed affecting the Carlin Lake water issue. The Zoning Committee has gone on record as saying that the removal of water from the Carlin Club would be a violation of its grandfathered status within the R-1 district. The zoning administrator would issue citations for activities that violate the R-1 provisions in any way. Vilas County might have differing opinions on this issue. Mr. Johnson, changing the subject, stated that we'll end up in court. We've allowed businesses to exempt themselves from R-1 zoning when a lake is re-zoned. He feels that to avoid these kinds of issues, maybe the practice should be looked at more closely in the future. The re-zoning of Carlin Lake took place around 1999-2000.

**New Business:**

**International Migratory Bird Days Resolution:** A motion adopting resolution 2017-1, declaring International Migratory Bird Day as May 13, 2017 was made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Reckard, Harrison, aye; Johnson, aye; Reckard, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**County Library Tax:** Ms. Walters has received correspondence asking for support for a county-wide library tax. Ms. Knaack is concerned about this issue. Mr. Johnson will investigate.

**Library Banking Resolution and Approval of Signers:** A motion approving a banking resolution for the Library Board of Trustees and authorizing signers Robert Berdan, Brenda Schuppe, and Michele Knaack was made by Mr. Reckard, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Harrison, aye; Johnson, aye; Reckard, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Miscellaneous Board Business and Correspondence:** Mr. Reckard asked for opinions on supporting a petition to counteract some provisions of Act 55. He will approach the Zoning Committee for opinions,

Mr. Johnson raised the issue of the water problem in the office area of the fire barn. Mr. Reckard estimates the cost of fixing the problem would be as much as \$30,000. The Board discussed other issues that will make fixing the problem difficult. A special meeting may be necessary to meet on site.

The Fire Department is starting to think about an auxiliary organization. They could help with Fireman's Picnic, washing fire trucks, etc. This might also help get people interested in joining the Department and completing the training.

Vouchers 28977-29070 were approved with the following voids, 29001,03, 04-06, 08 and February settlement checks. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 pm upon motion by Mr. Johnson, second by Mr. Reckard motion carried.

Town Board Action: Approved, 3-0

Approved: March 2, 2017

Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

Town of Presque Isle  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
March 2, 2017

Chairman Jack Harrison called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 6:00pm. Supervisors Adam Johnson and Marshall Reckard were also present. Minutes for the February 2, 2017 meeting were approved by motion. Ms. Sitkiewitz read the treasurer's report.

**Old Business:**

**Subchapter 301 Alcohol Beverages:** Mr. Johnson was unable to schedule a meeting with the Ordinance Committee in time for this meeting, so this item was tabled until the April 6 meeting.

**Japanese Knotweed Update:** Mr. Johnson will talk to Howard Meyer, Weed Commissioner. Jeff Burke reminded the board that a noxious weed notice appears in the paper every spring. Mr. Johnson asked what the best time of year is to deal with this. Mr. Burke thought that it would occur mid-summer, but declared that he is no expert.

**County Library Tax:** Mr. Johnson spoke with Jeff Burke about the issue. His recommendation is to take no action.

**Miscellaneous Board Business and Correspondence:** Mr. Johnson recommended an apology from the Economic Development Committee to the Parks Committee regarding the hatchery issue. This project would not possibly happen before 2018. Jorja Burke indicated that there are other people who need to be kept in the loop. Sarah Johnson said this is just in the "leg-work" phase, as far as the EDC is concerned. EDC has been in touch with Department of Agriculture, Steve Gilbert, Steve Peterson, and Jillian Steffes. She further stated that the Park and Recreation Committee would be kept "in the loop".

**New Business**

**License Application - C Plonsky LLC:** A motion approving this Class B Combination license was made by Mr. Reckard, seconded by Mr. Johnson, Harrison, aye; Johnson, aye; Reckard, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Banking Resolution - Fire Department:** A motion approving the banking resolution was made by Mr. Reckard, seconded by Mr. Johnson; Harrison, aye; Johnson, aye; Reckard, aye; motion carried, 3-0

**Designation of Surplus Funds:** A motion approving the designation of 2016 surplus funds was made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Reckard, Harrison, aye; Johnson, aye; Reckard, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Miscellaneous Board Business and Correspondence:** The clerk has received a letter from Vilas County Zoning & Planning regarding a subdivision of the Stocker property on Ormes Rd. The letter states that the subdivision is in conformance with the Vilas County Zoning Ordinance.

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** Sarah Johnson informed the Board that the Presque Isle Chamber of Commerce has been awarded a \$9380 grant from Department of Tourism. First Lady Tonette Walker will be visiting Presque Isle on August 23, with fitness & exercise as the theme of her visit. The Pipke Park trails may be a focus of the visit.

Vouchers 29071-29142 and the annual loan payments to the bank with 29090 void, were approved for payment. The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 pm upon motion by Mr. Johnson, second by Mr. Reckard motion carried.

Town Board Action: Approved, 2-0

Approved: April 6, 2017

Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

Town of Presque Isle  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
April 6, 2017

Chairman Jack Harrison called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 6:00 pm. Supervisor Marshall Reckard was also present. Minutes for the March 2 meeting were approved by motion. Ms. Sitkiewitz read the treasurer's report.

**Report from Building Inspector:** Rick Clem reported on a situation on Crab Lake Road. The issue in question has been resolved at the state level. He also reported on the new permitting system, which will be done totally online. The new system will be confusing at first. There are new features of this program that will be, at the least, inconvenient, according to Mr. Clem.

**Old Business:**

**Subchapter 301.Alcohol Beverages:** tabled

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** Sarah Johnson asked about the status of the Internet infrastructure. The town has not been notified of any projected date of completion of the project.problematic, but he intends to do his best to implement the new system and help people trying to apply for UDC permits.

**New Business**

**Plat Approval - Stocker 2 Lot Subdivision, S17 T43N R6E:** Mr. Jukich presented the plat which has not been recommended by the Zoning Committee. Mr. Reckard suggested denying approval of the plat. Mr. Rein gave his reasoning as to why he thought the change should be allowed. Mr. Reckard made a motion denying the plat, motion seconded and carried.

**Municipal Wood Chipping Proposal:** tabled

**Designation of Surplus Funds - Amendment:** A motion was made and seconded to amend the designated funds.

**Crab Lake Road - Proposed Rustic Road Designation:** Sarah Johnson, representing the Chamber of Commerce, spoke on this issue. She stated the reasons why it would be a good idea and furnished a resolution that would need to be passed. Mr. Harrison stated that they have looked into this before and didn't pursue it because there were restrictions on what the Town could do on the right of way. State Statute 83.42 governs this. The item will appear on next time's agenda.

**Miscellaneous Board Business:** Mr. Harrison will work with Carl Wolter as representative for the Landfill Venture Group.

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** Jeff Burke reported that Town Roads Streator & West Van Vliet are in bad shape because the second seal coat was not done. Donna Jukich said that Oxbow is in bad shape, too.

Barb Peck asked for a clarification on a discrepancy in allowed lot sizes on off-shore property. Peggy Johnson-Wiessner stated that it will be reviewed at a Zoning Meeting.

Vouchers 29143-29230 were approved for payment. The meeting was adjourned at 6:29 pm upon motion by Mr. Reckard, second by Mr. Harrison, motion carried.

Town Board Action: Approved 2-0

Approved: April 20, 2017

Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

# **Town of Presque Isle**

## **Annual Town Meeting**

**April 18, 2017**

**Call to Order:** Jack Harrison called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Agenda:** The clerk read the agenda. A motion to approve the agenda came from Joel Green, second by Barb Peck, motion carried.

**Tax Summary:** Kathy Sitkiewitz summarized the Real Estate tax collections.

**Financial Statement Committee Reports:** The ambulance and fire department reports came first because of a time commitment of the presenters.

**American Legion Post 480:** Joel Green reported for the Legion. The Veterans Memorial construction will begin soon. The state American Legion organization is having a legacy ride that will stop here June 9 to raise funds for scholarships to go to children of veterans. Post 480 holds a dance and Bingo during the summer. Money raised goes to support such activities as the good neighbor program which provides rides for people to appointments, groceries, etc.

**Ambulance:** Donna Jukich gave a report, attached.

**Beautification Committee:** Cathy Logan Weber reported that they will be having a work day. May 15 is the day to work at the Heritage Cottage. Bring a rake and help out!

**Board of Adjustment:** Al Drum reported that there is one case that is ongoing at this time.

**Chamber of Commerce:** Sarah Johnson, acting interim director, gave the report, attached.

**Constable:** Howard Meyer reported on his time as constable, taking over after the tragic death of Wayne Pavelka. He gave some statistics about the activity after July 5.

**Economic Development Committee:** Bonnie Byrnes gave this initial report for this new committee, report attached.

**Fire Department:** Doug Wolter reported for the fire department, attached.

**Heritage Society:** no report

### **Invasive Species**

- **Aquatic:** Bob Barofsky reported, report attached.
- **Terrestrial:** no report

**Library:** Cathy Logan Weber introduced Shelly Knaack, our new librarian. Shelly gave a report, attached.

**Lions:** no report

**Lioness:** no report

**Ordinances:** no report

**Parks:** Bob Barofsky reported, reviewing the work on Pipke Park. He also highlighted the work done on the Community Garden. His report is attached. Al Drum gave a financial report. Barb Peck asked if the Parks Committee ever reviews the plan that was done a long time ago. Joel Green made a statement in favor of fishing activity in the Pipke Park ponds.

**Zoning Administrator:** Mr. Reckard reported for Forrest Jukich who was absent because of illness, report attached.

**Zoning Ordinance:** Marshall Reckard reported that Vilas County approved, and the Town Board approved changes to the Zoning Ordinance that took about a year and a half to complete. We are the only town in the county that has 200 feet of frontage because we have our own zoning ordinance.

**Administration of Oaths:** Clerk Lorine Walters administered the Oath of Office to Marshall Reckard, Chairman; and Cathy Logan Weber, Supervisor. A plaque was presented to Jack Harrison in honor of his 22 years of service as Town Chairman, the longest serving Town Chairman in the history of the Town of Presque Isle.

**Date for Budget Hearing:** Cathy Logan Weber made a motion to hold the Budget Hearing and Adjourned Annual Meeting on November 16, 2017. Barb Peck seconded the motion. November 16,

**Miscellaneous Public Business:** none

**Adjournment:** Joel Green made, and Howard Meyer seconded a motion to adjourn at 7:20 pm.

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April 20, 2017

Chairman Marshall Reckard called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 6:00pm. Supervisor Cathy Logan Weber was also present. Minutes for the April 2, 2017 meeting were approved by motion.

**Old Business:**

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** Jeff Burke appreciated having the Japanese Knotweed on the agenda, requesting that the proper process be followed this year to get this problem solved. He suggested using our professional service to do that. He introduced Quita Sheehan, who spoke to the Board about the problematic nature of Japanese Knotweed. We could acquire willow, spirea, or some other species to fill in the areas where it is being eradicated. Waiting until the JK is totally eradicated before planting a replacement is advised. Only the village has been mapped for locations of JK; other locations in the town have not been identified. Educational materials are available through Quita's office which might be helpful in getting people to pay attention to their own property.

Sarah Johnson has spoken with personnel about concerns raised at the last meeting regarding the Rustic Road designation. She found out that the town still has control over maintenance of the road. Speed limit must be kept under 45 mph. There are guidelines, but they don't restrict what you can do, they just recommend. Charles Rayala, a former member of the Rustic Roads Board, would be happy to answer any questions. Peggy Johnson-Wiessner thought it would be nice for the Last Wilderness to have a Rustic Road.

**Terrestrial Invasive Species - Japanese Knotweed Plan:** Mr. Reckard will talk to the constable and be brought up to speed on the status of this item. A motion to table was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Reckard, motion carried, 2-0.

**Rustic Road Designation:** Until the full board is here Mr. Reckard wished to postpone any action on this item. A motion to table was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Reckard, motion carried, 2-0.

**Miscellaneous Board Business and Correspondence:** The town has achieved "Sustained Flight" status in the Bird City Wisconsin program. Ms. Weber and Mr. Reckard indicated their intent to attend the May 11 Town Officials Workshop in Minocqua. Ms. Walters will submit the registration.

**New Business:**

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** none

**Agenda Format:** Wis. Stats. 19.83(2) and 19.84(2) specify what is allowable for public comment during a Town Board meeting. The agenda format for Town Board meetings will change based on suggestions from the Wisconsin Towns Association attorney. Ms. Sitkiewitz suggested that copies of the agenda be provided for citizens in attendance so they can comment before items are introduced for Board consideration.

**Set Board of Review Date:** Board of Review training must be completed by at least one member every two years. Ms. Walters was re-trained last year, so we are in compliance for this year. There is a training DVD available for use by others who would like to be trained. A motion setting the initial session of the Board of Review for 5:55pm on May 18, 2017 was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Reckard, motion carried, 2-0.

**Town Board Liaison Appointments:** A motion approving the following committee liaison appointments was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Reckard; Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; motion carried, 2-0.

**Reckard**

Plan Commission/Zoning  
Board of Adjustment  
Roads

**Weber**

AIS  
TIS  
Parks & Recreation  
Library

**Wolter**

Economic Development  
Fire/EMS  
Accommodations Tax  
Ordinance  
Transfer Station/Hwy G

**Land Purchase Proposal:** The Town is in receipt of a proposal from the DNR to sell the piece of land adjacent to Shanty Boy Hill Cemetery for \$11,250. A special town meeting would be necessary for this real estate purchase. A motion to table was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Reckard; Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; motion carried, 2-0.

**Banking Resolution:** A motion approving an updated banking resolution was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Reckard; Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; motion carried, 2-0.

**Operators License Applications:** A motion approving operators licenses for Donald Plonsky of Ramsey, MI and Ashley Aschenbrenner of Marenisco was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Reckard; Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; motion carried, 2-0.

**Miscellaneous Board Business and Correspondence:** Scott Walker will be visiting North Lakeland School Friday, April 21. An invitation to attend his remarks after his tour beginning at 11:30am was extended.

Vouchers 29234-29263 were approved for payment. The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 pm upon motion by Ms Weber, second by Mr. Reckard, motion carried.

Town Board Action: Approved, 3-0

Approved: May 18, 2017

Town of Presque Isle  
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May 18, 2017

Chairman Marshall Reckard called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 6:00pm. Supervisors Cathy Logan Weber and Carl Wolter were also present. Minutes for the April 20, 2017 meeting were approved by motion. Ms. Sitkiewitz read the treasurer's report.

**Old Business:**

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** Mr. Reckard clarified the format of the agenda, stating that during this agenda item a citizen can comment on an agenda item to be considered. If a supervisor has a question during a specific agenda item, a citizen can be asked by that supervisor to respond, but there will be no comments or conversation from any other citizen at that time.

Merrill Horswill provided information about the Japanese knotweed. Lee Chambeau, 4 Control, when asked about the two sites in question, gave an estimate of treatment in the first week in July, when he will be in the area. It would take 1-2 hours at a cost of \$315. A special trip for that treatment would be \$520. No fall spraying took place in 2016, so there is money to cover this expense. She has requested that the Weed Commissioner be present during the spraying.

Otto Novak asked about the plan with liaisons attending committee meetings. Mr. Reckard said that an organizational meeting will take place to discuss their involvement in their designated committee.

Carl Wolter has had a complaint from a property owner who had some trees that were damaged by spraying.

Peggy Johnson, talking about public input at a meeting, stated that 19.83(2) and 19.84 (2) state that there may be an agenda item for public comment, but the Board is not required to provide that opportunity. It would be good to have informed public comment. She believes that the more liberal provisions that have historically been made fulfilled that need. She went on to say that with respect to new business, the problem is that public doesn't fully understand what will happen under a particular agenda item. Her opinion is that it is impossible to know ahead of time exactly what direction the Board's discussion will take. Certain items are not appropriate for public comment, but others might be. She felt that, for the items which are appropriate for public comment, the Board would allow for that before a decision is made. Mr. Reckard responded something, but I can't remember what he said.

Barb Peck commented about purchase of DNR land stating that it is expensive, with uncertain benefit, deed restrictions concerning a permanent snowmobile trail, and that it be kept open to the public. Mr. Reckard replied that the state has been instructed to sell off land. Towns have first choice to purchase the land. If the Town Board wants to purchase the land, the decision would be made by the electors at a Special Town Meeting. Jim Luedtke questioned the future of the trail. Mr. Reckard's understanding is that the snowmobile trail could not be closed.

Sarah Johnson addressed rustic roads designation one last time, re-reading a FAQ regarding maintenance of the designated road. There have been no complaints from residents of rustic roads about increased traffic.

**Terrestrial Invasive Species - Japanese Knotweed Plan:** Mr. Meyer met with the TIS Committee last week. Some is on public property, bleeding onto private property. Neither party is particularly cooperative. Care must be taken to phrase conversations with these parties carefully. If they choose not to remove the offending weeds, there is an ordinance with a citation process. Garlic mustard has been 80% taken care of. Lee had a conversation with one of the owners. When Lee explained the concerns about what would happen to his own property, the owner was much more amenable to eradication. Ms. Weber has uncovered another Japanese knotweed infestation across from the Catherine Wolter wildlife area.

**Rustic Road Designation:** A motion to pursue the rustic road designation was made by Ms. Weber. This motion received no second, so the motion died.

**Purchase of DNR Land - 4.39 acres Adjacent to Shanty Boy Hill Cemetery:** The DNR is asking \$11,200 for this parcel of land. Mr. Wolter is not in favor of purchasing this land. Ms. Weber talked to a real estate person. The price is determined by 55% discount of the fair market price. If the Town purchases the land the restrictions will stay on the land. If it goes to a public sale. The price would be raised. Some of the restrictions would be gone, but snowmobile trail would stay. She pointed out some advantages of owning the land: Highway B access to the Shanty Boy Hill Cemetery, the Town already owns the land to the east, it would provide access to Stateline Lake. There is a pending timber sale, the income from which would go to the DNR. There is a problem with the deed to Shanty Boy Hill Cemetery that would need to be resolved before it could be sold to another party. This would not be a problem if the Town owned the land. A motion to purchase DNR land \$11,250 was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Reckard, Reckard, no; Weber, aye; Wolter, no; motion defeated, 1-2.

**Change Board of Review Date:** The Board of Review date has been moved to June 1.

**New Business**

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** David Wirtz asked for an update on single-stream recycling. Mr. Reckard replied that no action is being taken at this time.

Rick Strand commented on the Accommodations Tax recommendation. He wanted to dispel any rumors about this item. He believes this event has been underfunded in the past. He wants the town to get behind this event and support it with this funding. As a business owner, his revenue helps support this event. This is our town’s signature event.

Merrill Horswill referred back to the TIS item. The Weed Commissioner working with the TIS Committee to move this process forward.

Bonnie Byrnes supports the funding of the Chamber request.

Open and Possibly Take Action On Road Bids: Bids were received as detailed in the table:

Chipseal	Pitlik & Wick Annabelle Lake Rd Sunny Shores	\$19,551
Asphalt	Ormes Rd	\$29,160

A motion accepting the Pitlik & Wick bid for chipseal in the amount of \$19,551 was made by Mr. Wolter, seconded by Ms. Weber, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0. A motion accepting the Pitlik & Wick bid for asphalt in the amount of \$29,160 was made by Mr. Wolter, seconded by Ms. Weber, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Accommodations Tax Committee - Chamber Request for Funding:** The Chamber approached the Accommodations Tax Committee for \$7,000 for expense related to upcoming event, Presque Isle Days. The Accommodations Tax Committee has recommended funding in the amount of \$10,000. Ms. Weber stated her appreciation for the work Sarah Johnson has done at the Chamber. A motion to give the Chamber \$7,000 was made by Ms. Weber, who then asked Barb Peck to present information. Ms. Peck reported that Presque Isle Days is a two day event. Saturday’s events will be focused on outdoor recreation, taking place at Pipke Park. Sunday’s focus is on the logging era, with two shows during the day. She explained that the lumberjack show is free because we are trying to draw people to Presque Isle. Other organizations will benefit from the increased attendance. Ms. Weber asked about the JEM grant. It is a one year grant which can only be used for advertising. She asked what would be the plan for next year. Ms. Peck declined to comment on future years. A new motion to approve the Accommodations Tax Committee recommendation of \$10,000 for

Chamber was made by Ms. Weber seconded by Mr. Wolter, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Use of Old Town Garage Site for Presque Isle Days:** Mr. Reckard wants to see insurance information from the Chamber as part of the agreement. A motion approving the use of the old town garage site by the Chamber of Commerce provided they show proof of insurance, was made by Mr. Wolter, seconded by Ms. Weber, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Appointment of Library Trustee:** There has been a resignation on the Library Board of Trustees. Krista Slemmons has been suggested by the Library Board to fill the vacancy A motion approving the appointment of Christa Slemmons to the Library Board of Trustees was made by Mr. Wolter, seconded by Ms. Weber, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Adjourn to Closed Session 19.85.(1)(g) Conferring with Legal Counsel:** A motion to adjourn to closed session was made by Mr. Wolter, seconded by Ms. Weber, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Re-Open in Open Session:** A motion to reopen in open session was made by Mr. Wolter seconded by Ms. Weber, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Announcement of Action Taken in Closed Session:** Mr. Reckard announced that the present litigation will continue.

**Board Reports on Previous Agenda Items:** Mr. Reckard encouraged the supervisors to, when possible, attend committee meetings for which they are liaisons. There will be an agenda item at the end of the meeting for board members to report on committee meetings.

Vouchers 29264-29329 were approved for payment. The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 pm upon motion by Mr. Wolter, second by Mr. Reckard, motion carried.

Town Board Action: Approved, 3-0

Approved: June 1, 2017

Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

Town of Presque Isle  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
June 1, 2017

Chairman Marshall Reckard called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 6:00pm. Supervisors Cathy Logan Weber and Carl Wolter were also present. Minutes for the May 18, 2017 meeting were approved by motion. Ms. Sitkiewitz read the treasurer's report.

**Old Business:**

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** none

**Proof of Chamber of Commerce Insurance for Use of Old Town Garage Site:** not received yet

**Board Reports on Previous Agenda Items:** none

**New Business:**

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** none

**Main Street Beautification:** Mr. Reckard apologized for not putting up American flags on Main Street for Memorial Day. He brought up the subject of possibly getting banners for the street light posts. Cathy has gotten an estimate for banners on the light poles. Brackets and banners for 20 light poles, 30x60 for vinyl would be \$2000, polyvinyl banners would be \$3,160, \$60 set up fee. The cost of the brackets would be \$15.90 for each banner. Citizen comment: If they don't last that long, it wouldn't be worth the cost. Carl Wolter would like to have the parks person cut weeds by Sensenbrenner Park and near the state line. Mr. Reckard thinks that the areas in question should be maintained by the county. He will talk with the Vilas County Highway person to see who would be responsible for that.

**Board Correspondence and/or Future Agenda Items:** Mr. Reckard introduced an email sent to Town Board members from Nick Williams regarding single-stream recycling. He responded that it's not a dead issue, but the new Board is busy getting started, and asked for some time before considering this issue.

Ms. Sitkiewitz reported that AIS grant funds have been received, totalling \$32,000.

**Board Reports:** Mr. Wolter reported that he has met with Mr. Harrison regarding representation at the Landfill Venture Group. They will be attending together while Mr. Wolter gets up to speed.

The pavilion continues to have issues. Water is coming off roof and degrading the logs. Animals have been building nests there also. It needs some attention.

Mr. Reckard has had a phone call from the Winchester Town Chairman who would like to set up a meeting between the chairmen and EMT personnel of the four towns. There is a problem with small numbers of EMT personnel.

Ms. Weber will be touring Eagle Waste's facility to learn more about the process.

Vouchers #29330-29367 were approved for payment. The meeting was adjourned at 6:21 pm upon motion by Mr. Wolter, second by Ms. Weber motion carried.

Town Board Action: Approved, 3-0

Approved: June 15, 2017

Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

Town of Presque Isle  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
June 15, 2017

Chairman Marshall Reckard called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 6:00pm. Supervisors Cathy Logan Weber and Carl Wolter were also present. Minutes for the June 1, 2017 meeting were approved by motion. Ms. Sitkiewitz read the treasurer's report.

**Old Business:**

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:**

Jorja Burke asked why there was no explanation for the nay votes on the land offer at the May 18 meeting. She expressed frustration that \$10,000 was given to the Chamber of Commerce for a one day event instead of funding this. She thought that it would be better for the townspeople to have made that decision. Mr. Reckard explained that the land was going to be logged, with the revenue going to the DNR. The land came with strings attached, specifically the snomobile trail has to stay and public access is required. He felt that the Town has more than enough land and we don't need any more. Mr. Wolter stated that he ran to do anything to help village. Didn't believe land purchase would help business.

Peggy Johnson reiterated her comment from more than a year ago. She feels deeply that taxpayers have put a lot of money into Pipke Park and believes it is underutilized. She would like to see the Town Board to work with the Parks Committee to improve the situation. There is a beautiful trail; there should be a sign on W advertising that and the warming house, public bathrooms, fishing, and exercise equipment all along path. She would love to see it used. She suggested the history of the mill ponds should be detailed on a beautiful sign. Cathy Weber added that there are attractions signs available from the county that might be useful. Carl Wolter would like to get an attractive sign to be placed at the northern border on County Road B. Sarah Johnson would like to see more Town funding for the Parks Committee to cover these newly suggested expenses.

Paul Rosenberg asked about parking at the Hwy P boat landing. Mr. Reckard indicated that this is the responsibility of Vilas County. He has spoken with Vilas County Highway about a speed limit sign. They require us to fund a \$4000 traffic study. The county can reduce the 55 speed limit by 10 mph on a county rd. More than that requires jumping through more hoops.

**Presque Isle Days Update:** The Certificate of Liability Insurance has been provided to the Town. Sarah Johnson reported that they have given away tickets to area school children. They have increased the radio advertising. Live music has been funded for this year. Re-usable totes have been purchased for visitors. Planning is on track for the event.

**Board Reports on Previous Agenda Items:** Mr. Reckard told that the power company has said "no" to putting banners on the street light poles. As for construction on Highway B, nothing will be done in town until year 4 of this massive project. Mr. Wolter feels that our County Board representative has let us down in this regard. Some damage has been done to lawns by the spraying for Japanese knotweed.

**New Business**

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** The Town of Winchester is working on a bike trail from Smoky's to J & the Windman Trail. Sarah Johnson asked for a letter of support & wanted to make Board aware of this situation. She is concerned that Presque Isle may be left out of the loop. The Manitowish Waters town chairman wants to have a meeting with 4 town chairmen to discuss the larger area bike trail system.

**Preliminary Plat - Krahn 4 lot Subdivision, S20 T43N R6E:** Mr. Reckard introduced the preliminary plat. There has to be a maintenance agreement which still needs to be set in place before the final plat can be

approved. A motion approving the preliminary plat was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Reckard, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, abstain; motion carried, 3-0.

**Approval of Fire Department Officers:** Mr. Wolter put forth the results of the Fire Department election of officers, Fire Chief, Doug Wolter, Assistant Chief, Jim Nelson, Ambulance Coordinator, Donna Jukich, Assistant Ambulance Coordinator, Adam Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer, Kathy Nelson. A motion approving the new officers was made by Mr. Wolter, seconded by Ms Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Approval of Business Licenses:** A motion approving licenses for 2017-18 was made by Mr. Wolter, seconded by Mr. Wolter, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0. A list of business and operators licenses is attached.

**Board Correspondence and/or Future Agenda Items:** Vilas County has added a provision to the recycling vouchers, dating them from now on. There will be a 30 day use limit, after which time the voucher is expired. The clerk will post a meeting notice. All three Board members will be attending the Vilas County Economic Development Committee forum on June 20 at Clearview Supper Club. Mr. Wolter would like to see meetings changed back to 7:00 pm. Future meetings will be posted with the new time. Ms. Weber asked Bob Barofsky to report on repairs to the pavilion; Terry Sullivan, who does log restoration, has given an estimate (\$17,300) for sand blasting, borate treatment, and staining. \$10,000 has previously been budgeted for this project. If done correctly, it should last 25 years. The structure is sound, well built, except for the rotting at the bottom of the posts. Carl Wolter wondered if the rotting problem should be fixed first. This issue will appear on the July 6 agenda.

Ms. Weber has received comments about the Public Comments agenda item which appears at the beginning of the agenda. There is some opinion that the Board is hostile towards conversation. Mr. Reckard commented that statutory guidelines state that citizens can comment during the Public Comments item, but regular agenda items are for Board discussion. Citizen comments are appropriate at that time only if a board member recognizes an "expert" in the audience. The change has been made because of the close scrutiny in recent months of other Town and County Boards in the area.

Ms. Weber brought up an email offering broadband grant money. Mr. Reckard stated that Century Tel has a grant to bring in fiber-optics. The new grant Ms. Weber is referring to would be a duplication of grant funding in the case of Presque Isle.

**Board Reports:** Ms. Weber asked about roads, specifically, Sunny Shores and Annabelle Shores. Mr. Reckard stated that Sunny Shores will have the chip sealing second coat applied tomorrow. A section of Ormes Rd will be done in the fall. The parking area for the Veterans Memorial will be paved, hopefully before the dedication in October. Prep for next year's projects will be done this year. Stateline is needing some repairs soon to prevent serious deterioration "Scrub sealing" is a new technique which may be employed here. Viola Lane will not have the major alterations that had been previously proposed. Cost for that project would be over \$200,000. Mr. Wolter questioned whether there is a plan in place for future sealcoating. Mr. Reckard is working with the Town Crew and meeting with a vendor to begin work on a 5 year plan.

Ms. Weber has discussed with the Park & Recreation Committee about the possibility of grooming one of the trails in the Catherine Wolter Wilderness Area for cross country skiing. The Pipke Park trail is great for walking and snowshoeing, but not great for cross country skiing.

Vouchers 29368-29410 were approved for payment. The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 upon motion by Ms Weber, second by Mr. Wolter, motion carried.

Town Board Action: Approved, 3-0

Approved: July 7, 2017

Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

Town of Presque Isle  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
July 6, 2017

Chairman Marshall Reckard called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 7:00pm. Supervisors Cathy Logan Weber and Carl Wolter were also present. Minutes for the June 16, 2017 meeting were approved by motion.

**Old Business:**

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** Paul Rosenberg asked if there is any more information available about the repairs to the pavilion. Bob Barofsky replied that Winger Masonry is coming next week to evaluate the situation.

Mr. Hayes was disappointed to read comments in the last meeting's minutes about the County Supervisor not properly representing the town. He went on to state that the facts don't support that opinion. He would like to see the comments retracted when the matter is investigated more thoroughly.

**Repairs to Pavilion:** The estimate was presented at the last meeting. A motion to approve the repair estimate of \$17,300 was made by Ms. Weber seconded by Mr. Wolter. Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**New Business:**

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** Bob Barofsky commented as a private citizen on the EDC fish stocking proposal. He is pleased to see the increased use of Pipke Park and the Presque Isle Days activities at that location. Families have been catching panfish and even small northerns in the pond. The proposal raises some concerns that he summarized: What fish hatchery requirements would need to be adhered to? When the program ends will the town continue to stock the pond? Who will manage the fish hatchery? Which ponds? How can we stock a pond that has an inlet & outlet? He assumes that only healthy species will be introduced. He finds the proposal difficult to support and would prefer to get fish from a state licensed hatchery.

**Ordinance Amendment - Subchapter 602. Noxious Weeds - Bush Honeysuckle:** Ms Weber cited an FYI article about bush honeysuckle. Ms. Weber is concerned about the invasive species, not the naturally occurring variety. A motion to add bush honeysuckle to the Noxious Weeds Ordinance was made by Weber, seconded by Reckard, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, abstain; motion carried, 2-0-1.

**Road Abandonment - Town Road 63:** This road is located at the corner of County Roads M & B. The residents of the adjacent property have safety concerns and would be willing to pay for the abandonment process. A motion to begin the process of abandoning Town Road 63 was made by Wolter seconded by Weber, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Town Notice Boards:**

**Repairs:** The notice boards are for town notices only.

**Post No Bills/Advertising - Alternate Location:** Mr. Reckard does not like to see the posting of advertising A motion requesting that the advertising signs on the Town Hall door be removed was made by Mr. Wolter, seconded by Mr. Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0. Mr. Reckard would like to see the purchase of two notice boards, one for public notices and another for advertising. Information for the construction or purchase of new notice and advertising boards will be ready for the next agenda.

**Key Assignment Approval - Town Lakes Committee:** A motion approving a permanent key checkout for the Town Lakes Committee was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Wolter, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Approval of Operator's License:** A motion approving an operators license for Maymee Siegner was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Wolter, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Banking Resolution - Fire Department:** A motion approving the banking resolution, which includes Doug Wolter, Jim Nelson, Donna Jukich and Kathleen Nelson as signers, was made by Mr. Wolter, seconded by Ms. Weber, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Economic Development Committee RE: Fish Stocking:** Board members received a copy of the letter to lawmakers. Mr. Wolter is in favor of the concept. The letter asks for Senator Tiffany to work on streamlining regulations limiting transport of fish from one body of water to another. Sarah Johnson stated that the letter has not been mailed yet. A number of people will be receiving this letter. She disputed the facts previously presented that there were too many roadblocks. They were told that internally the DATCP is working on the language, but it's stalled right now. The letter might help get it going. Mr. Reckard had no problem with the EDC sending the letter. Has there been any study of the ponds to see if they could support more fish, or if this is even a good idea? An assessment of the lake would need to be done before any fish could be imported. The issue that hasn't been addressed is the issue of re-classifying the ponds as a fish hatchery. We don't know the pros and cons of doing that. Mr. Reckard agrees that those issues need to be a part of the process. Ms. Weber stated that the second paragraph has nothing to do with the request that they are making. She does not want negative language about our town "going out there". Mr. Wolter indicated strongly that we can't ignore the changes in our town. Ms. Weber doesn't believe the second paragraph enhances the purpose of the letter. A motion to send out the letter as is was made by Mr. Wolter, seconded by Mr. Reckard. Under discussion it was suggested that the second paragraph could be changed. The votes were as follows: Reckard, nay; Weber, nay; Wolter, aye; motion defeated, 1-2. The letter could appear on the next agenda if they would like to revise it.

**Board Correspondence and/or Future Agenda Items:** Ms. Weber received correspondence regarding the issuance of a liquor license to Carlin Club. Mr. Reckard stated that the "use-it-or-lose-it" ordinance has been returned to the Ordinance Committee for revision, further indicating that there were too many flaws in the proposed version. Mr. Wolter will see how the committees work is coming along.

Ms. Weber has talked with Eagle Waste and toured their facility a while back. Dave Wirtz has been talking to other towns to see how it's working for them. He has contacted the clerk for our costs. Mr. Wolter will do some checking before this item appears on the agenda.

Ms. Walters received an email about electronic posting of the agendas and minutes. She spoke directly with the person, stating that she wasn't sure about recent changes in statutes regarding this, but thought that an ordinance would be necessary to change one of the posting places to the website. She is currently posting these documents in 3 places and on the website, but the website is not an official posting. Marshall will research the requirements. Ms. Weber is planning to attend the WTA Annual Convention in the fall. She asked whether there is a policy that addresses a potential extended absence for the Town Chairman. Ms. Walters will investigate. Mr. Reckard also mentioned the classes that are available through the WTA and UW-Extension. Mr. Reckard plans to have the Vilas County Highway Commissioner come to the next meeting to talk to town board to explain the proposed 4 yr plan about resurfacing County Hwy B.

**Board Reports:** Mr. Reckard left information for Mr. Wolter about the LOSA insurance program. The Fire Department needs to update the requirements for that eligibility.

Ms. Weber worked with the TIS Committee in the past months on Japanese knotweed eradication. She reported that the treatment is supposed to happen next week. AIS will be having a pontoon boat tour of Little Horsehead Lake. She also reported that the Parks Committee is working on getting signs for Shanty Boy Hill & some other trails in the town campus. Mr. Wolter had nothing new to report from the Fire Department. He attended a meeting of the Landfill Venture Group at which someone spoke about pumping the leachate to the surface to fertilize vegetation. The \$53,000 project would produce savings of about \$19,000/yr. He also reported that the EDC has a lot of good ideas; he will keep the Board posted.

**Authorization of Vouchers:** A motion approving vouchers #29411-29461 with 29443 void was made by Mr. Wolter, seconded by Ms. Weber. Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15

Town Board Action: Approved, 3-0

Approved: July 20, 2017

Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

Town of Presque Isle  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
July 20, 2017

Chairman Marshall Reckard called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 7:00pm. Supervisors Cathy Logan Weber and Carl Wolter were also present. Minutes for the July 6 meeting were approved by motion. Ms. Sitkiewitz read the treasurer's report.

**Old Business:**

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** Carl Schoenicker commented on the need to reduce the speed limit on Highway P. He's hoping that this could happen without the study that is usually required.

Barb Peck brought up the subject of broadband Internet, citing Land O' Lakes recent efforts to acquire it for their town. She feels that we can't just sit back and wait. She is requesting that the Town Board ask for an open meeting with representatives from Centurylink. Jeff Burke suggested contacting Don Sidlowski, former Land O' Lakes town chairman. Mr. Reckard stated that Public Service Commission is becoming involved in this situation.

Sarah Johnson would like to see bike lanes incorporated into the County Highway B plan. When this project happens in 2020 she would like to see changes with lighting, sidewalks, bike lanes, etc.

**County Highway B Repair Plan:** Nick Scholtes addressed the Board to give some details of the project. Until the County Board actually approves the budget, there is no firm plan. In 2018 they intended to do Highway B from School Loop Road to Crab Lake Road, but funding is not available. Part of the plan is to control erosion problems that are happening currently. The portion of the road that goes through town is going to be a very expensive project. Engineering costs alone will be about \$200,000. The portion of the road that goes through the village will cost about 1.2 million dollars. Vilas County is competing for DOT dollars, so we are competing with all other counties in Wisconsin for this funding. Planning will be done in 2018-2019, construction in 2020. From the state line to the village, B/M to High Lake Rd, and on to Palmer Lake Rd will be done in 2018. Vilas County's cost of \$900,000 will be supplemented by state funding. In 2019 paving will continue from Palmer Lake Rd to Deer Farm Rd. Mr. Wolter asked if there is money in the budget to replace guardrails. There is a plan to replace the Horsehead Lake guard rail during the construction. Peggy Johnson-Wiessner asked if there will be public input on the project going through the village. Mr. Scholtes said that there will be a time for public comment.

**Bid Opening - Road Work:** Bids were received from Fahrner for the following projects:

- Chipseal on Bow Rd, 2 coats, \$44,073. This may need to be put off until next year, depending on the weather.
- Scrub & Fog Seal for Stateline and the south end of Crab Lake Rd from P to West Van Vliet Lake Rd, \$61,083.

A motion to approve the bids, contingent on consultation with the Town Crew Foreman, was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Wolter, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Repairs to Pavilion:** The bid for inserting piers at the bottom of the support logs is about \$16,000. This won't be done until after the sanblasting, which will be done now to see any other deficits if they exist.

**Ordinance Amendment - Subchapter 602. Noxious Weeds:** The clerk gave Board members copies of the updated ordinance.

**Town Notice Boards:** Advertisements have been removed from the Town Hall door. Pricing is about \$600 for a recycled plastic message board, 43"x100". Ms. Sitkiewitz questioned who is going to police the advertising board. Mr. Reckard will have pictures to show the other board members.

**Official Notice Posting Update:** This was addressed at a Regular Town Board meeting held February 2, 2016, when it was decided that the three official physical postings and courtesy website posting gives better availability than one physical and one web posting. No action was taken.

**EDC Letter to Legislators:** A revised EDC letter has been submitted to the Board. Ms. Weber liked the revision. Mr. Reckard did not like the letterhead as it was on the sample. His opinion is that the letter is too long to be seriously considered, but had no problem with them sending the letter if they chose to do so. The letter will be forwarded to the clerk who can place the text on town letterhead.

**Board Reports on Previous Agenda Items:** Ms. Weber wondered if Mr. Wolter had a chance to talk to others about single stream recycling. He has spoken to Mike, who thinks it is working fine the way it is, and Lorine, who recalled doing a cost study several years ago and didn't see any probable cost savings. He is satisfied with the way it is. Mr. Wolter brought up the liquor license ordinance which has been sent back to the Ordinance Committee.

## **New Business**

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** Barb Peck mentioned an issue that came up on the 4th of July. The Town owns the property along the pond. People couldn't see the fireworks because of the trees. She thought that it would be a good idea to trim the trees so people can see the ponds from Main Street.

**Dam Safety - Emergency Action Plan:** This will be reviewed by the Board for updating at the next meeting.

**Zoning Ordinance Amendments - Send to Vilas County for Approval:** After holding a public hearing, the Plan Commission has recommended that the changes be forwarded to Vilas County for approval as outlined in §60.61.

**Board Correspondence and/or Future Agenda Items:** Mr. Reckard pointed out that the volunteer firefighter and EMT funds have to be accounted for. The Fire Department controls its funds, but there has to be a governing board of at least five directors. They have been very responsible with the funds they have raised. The Executive Board has discretion to spend those funds by state statute. The members have asked for and have been extended the courtesy of approving large expenditures.

Mr. Wolter is the liaison for the Accommodations Tax Committee. Mr. Reckard alerted him that last year the Wilderness Veterans Memorial Flame Foundation was granted \$10,000; \$5,000 was paid out in 2016; the remainder to be requested when they are ready.

**Board Reports:** Ms. Weber reported that Japanese knotweed was sprayed last week. At the end of McKenzie is a manhole that connects to a culvert under Main Street. There is some significant erosion happening along the lot line between the Tassi property and the Cafe. Something needs to be done to address this issue.

Vouchers #29462-29500 with two voids, #29463 & 29464 were approved for payment. The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 upon motion by Mr. Wolter, second by Ms. Weber, motion carried.

Town Board Action: Approved, 3-0

Approved: August 3, 2017

Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

Town of Presque Isle  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
August 3, 2017

Chairman Marshall Reckard called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 7:00pm. Supervisors Cathy Logan Weber and Carl Wolter were also present. Minutes for the July 20, 2017 meeting were approved by motion.

**Old Business:**

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** Carl Schoenicker asked about the speed limits on Highway P.

Chuck Templin mentioned a suggested meeting with Centurylink regarding high speed internet service. No meeting will be happening at the present time. Peggy Johnson-Wiessner questioned whether items not mentioned on the agenda can be brought up. Mr. Reckard indicated that no action can be taken on items that aren't on the agenda, but citizens are able to introduce new topics during this time. She also wanted to know if Board members have advocated for the Town regarding internet service. Mr. Reckard is in the process of writing a letter to a Centurylink executive. She further stated that the Chamber has made some inquiries. Some locations are ready for an upgrade. Chris Wolter added that she has received some help from Centurylink with internet speed. Several other people made comments on this issue.

**Emergency Action Plan:** A copy of the plan has been distributed to each Board member to increase awareness of the plan. We could have received funding for the wind damage from last summer if we had followed the plan.

**Town Message/Notice Boards:** Mr. Reckard has distributed information on available message boards. He would like the supervisors to review the fact sheets and make a decision at the next meeting.

**Board Reports on Previous Agenda Items:** Ms. Weber has been talking to Dave Wirtz about single stream recycling. Jim Wittinghill, from Eagle Waste, and Dave Wirtz, would like to present to the Town Board.

**New Business:**

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** None

**Pipke Park Trails:** Mr. Reckard would like Ms. Weber to speak with the Parks Committee, seeking their opinion on restricting vehicular traffic to the portion of the trail up to the pavilion and the veterans memorial. There will be snowmobile access during the winter.

**Tree Trimming Around Pipke Park Ponds:** Mr. Reckard has researched this. There are restrictions within the Shoreland Zoning District. Tree trimming is not mentioned in the 1959 ordinance, so more research on the specifics must be done.

**Board Correspondence and/or Future Agenda Items:** Sarah Johnson, Chamber of Commerce, has arranged a visit from Tonette Walker for August 23. Ms. Weber has been appointed to guide the tour around Pipke Park. There will be a pontoon boat ride on Presque Isle Lake. People are invited to attend this event.

Mr. Wolter has received complaints about logging too close to the road. The DNR doesn't abide by that rule. If there is a violation the Zoning Administrator should be contacted. The Zoning Administrator has been contacted about this issue on Murphy Lake Road.

**Board Reports:** Mr. Reckard spent time with the Highway Commissioner regarding the Highway B resurfacing project. The plan is to put storm sewers on both sides of the road. More information will be available in October. The stretch from the state line to the bank will, hopefully, be done next year. Some replacing of culverts may happen this fall, to be capped off before winter. There is an existing 24" manhole which connects to a culvert from which there has been a heavy runoff that is causing property damage between the cafe and the Tassi property. Ms. Weber referred to the streetlights and sidewalks proposed by the EDC, wondering who

would bear the cost of those improvements. Mr. Reckard said that the cost of general road improvements have historically been paid by all property owners.

Mr. Reckard has received notification that NHAL State Forest has a new plan which will be furnished to him. He will get a copy to Ms. Weber so that she can bring it to the Parks Committee for their review.

Mr. Reckard asked Mr. Wolter how the revisions to the LOSA criteria are coming. Mr. Wolter said that he brought it up at a recent meeting, but no changes have been made yet.

He also asked Mr. Wolter to request a copy of the charter of the EDC Committee.

Regarding the speed limit for Hwy P, Mr. Reckard will be addressing the Highway Committee this fall to discuss this issue. He would like to see the speed limit set at 35 mph from the grade school to the boat landing and 45 mph on the remainder of County Road P.

Mr. Reckard has received a comment about snowmobile access to Carlin Lake. County Road P is a snowmobile access route, which means that residents on that road may use Highway P to access trail 6. This is not access for people coming and going to a restaurant on Highway P.

Vouchers #29501-29541 were approved for payment. The meeting was adjourned at 7:52, upon motion by Ms. Weber, second by Mr. Wolter, motion carried.

Town Board Action: Approved, 3-0

Approved: August 17, 2017

Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

Town of Presque Isle  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
August 17, 2017

Chairman Marshall Reckard called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 7:00pm. Supervisors Cathy Logan Weber and Carl Wolter were also present. Minutes for the August 3, 2017 meeting were approved by motion. Ms. Sitkiewitz read the treasurer's report.

**Old Business:**

**Single Stream Recycling:** Mr. Reckard read a protocol for this agenda item. There will be two presentations, one from a private citizen and one from a potential vendor. No public comments will be allowed on this agenda item. David Wirtz reported on some research he has done. Information was provided to the Board prior to the meeting. He projected that we could save \$30,000 annually on recycling by charging for garbage service. He also believes that recycling would increase through single stream recycling. One of the factors that influenced him to pursue this is what he sees as an unattractive facility.

Mr. Whittinghill from Eagle Waste presented information from the viewpoint of the vendor of single stream recycling services. This is the easiest for citizens, there is better participation, this method would greatly increase recycling, reducing solid waste costs. It is convenient for town residents. Eagle Waste runs an efficient operation in Eagle River. Number 1-7 plastics, tin, glass, aluminum, small quantities of metals & small appliances, paper, cardboard, all can be co-mingled. A trash compactor would receive solid waste. Electronic waste is best handled by hosting an event in our community. White goods would be an additional charge. Mr. Reckard asked about the up-front cost. Mr. Whittinghill referred him to the printout he provided. Three-phase, 440 power is best. Single-phase motors are available, which operate a little more slowly. Mr. Reckard asked for an estimate on the cost of disposing of white goods. Mr. Whittinghill agreed to provide that. Mr. Wolter toured the plant and Highway G, and was impressed by Eagle Waste's facility. Ms. Weber thinks this would be easier for businesses as well as households. She predicts that having one bin for all recyclables at events would help to better manage waste at these events.

**Tree Trimming Around Pipke Park Ponds:** Mr. Reckard questioned why this was on the agenda again. Ms. Weber talked to Jim Janet about what can be done. The first 30 feet can't be cut. She observed that most of the trees blocking the view are on private land. Mr. Reckard had some maps that he provided to the supervisors, showing that they are, in fact, on private land. Mr. Reckard has spoken with the Vilas County Zoning Administrator who said that this is within the shoreline area and trees can't be cut there. Ms. Weber also mentioned that during the time when the Highway B work is being done, maybe a viewing area can be cleared so that it can be seen from Main Street. There is an area in the abandoned portion of McKenzie where the ponds can be viewed. There will be a public hearing regarding the road work when the time gets closer. A private property owner can trim as much as they want more than 300 or 350 feet from the OHWM.

**Pipke Park Trails:** tabled

**Town Message/Notice Boards:** Two proposals are being reviewed. Ms. Weber would like to have two, one for public notices and one for community notices, single-side with two in-ground posts, \$1552 each, item #amc-4105. Mr. Wolter made a motion to purchase one board if the necessary funds are available, seconded by Ms. Weber, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Broadband:** Mr. Reckard did not write the letter to the Vice President of Operations of Centurylink regarding frustrations with the delays in Centurylink's providing high speed Internet. They are beginning to cut over some customers. The vendor hired to do the cut-over backed out, and a new

vendor was acquired. It is going to take time. Larger distances from the node will decrease the speed somewhat. Municipalities can not get grant funding alone. They have to be paired with an Internet service provider. Land O Lakes portion of a recent grant was \$245,000. This grant provided high speed service to Main Street. Another grant which cost the Town \$131,000, extended the service a little further to the west. In our case, all of 686 and Boulder Junction is being done by Centurylink. Mr. Reckard cited one party who has had his house connected to a node almost 5 miles away. Mr. Reckard will not be making any further contact with Centurylink regarding Internet service, believing that this is not part of his function as Town Chairman.

**Highway P Speed Limits:** Mr. Reckard is looking for the following motion: “The Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle hereby requests that Vilas County post the speed limit on Hwy P from its junction with Hwy K north approximately to address 7470 at 35 mph and continue from that point to its junction with Hwy W at 45 mph. Also, that ‘No Parking Between Signs’ be posted 100 feet east and west of the boat landing on the south side of Highway P. Warning signs ‘Caution Boat Landing Ahead’ shall be posted at the appropriate east/west locations on Hwy P of said boat launch.” Mr. Wolter declined to make the motion, stating he doesn’t feel the cars are the problem, but the walkers. He doesn’t think the cars will obey the speed limit. This motion was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Reckard, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, abstain; motion carried, 2-0-1.

**Board Reports on Previous Agenda Items:** Ms. Weber would like more research to be done before entering into an agreement to make the repairs to the pavilion, if it would be better to replace the building. A special meeting will be held to reconsider this issue at 9:00 on Saturday.

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** Peggy Johnson Wiessner is having a hard time visualizing where the no parking signs would be on Highway P. Mr. Reckard explained that the boat landing signage will be on the opposite side of the highway. Paul Rosenberg would appreciate the speed limit restrictions on Highway B. Nick Williams clarified the statement from the individual about 3.5 miles to the node for broadband access; the closest node to him is not live, so he was defaulted to his old node and old speed. Ms. Johnson thought Mr. Reckard should take a more expansive view of his duties.

#### **New Business:**

**Bike Trail on Town Land:** The Wilderness Pedalers have requested the use of town land for the bike trail along Highway W. This does not include trail on town right-of-way or town roads which will be handled on individual basis. A motion approving this use was made by Ms. Weber seconded by Mr. Wolter, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** Bob Horswill stated that the intended trail will follow Bow Rd around the south end of Oxbow Lake, to Oxbow Road coming into town on east side.

**Board Correspondence and/or Future Agenda Items:** The clerk is in receipt of an email from the Vilas County Board Chairman, Ron DeBruyne supporting The EDC Committee’s efforts to change policy on moving wild fish.

**Board Reports:** Mr. Reckard has found that the charter for the EDC Committee was not approved by the Town Board, since there is no record of it in any minutes since the inception of the committee.

Mr. Reckard would like to change the policy about placing items on the agenda. If a citizen would like to have an item on the agenda, the request must be in writing or email, so there is documentation for the request. This request should be received no later than three days prior to the regular meeting.

Budget planning will be happening soon. In September Mr. Reckard is requesting that the supervisors talk to their committees about budget numbers as outlined in the monthly budget printout.

Mr. Wolter has discussed the LOSA program with the Fire Department and Ambulance staff. They do not see any need for a change. Mr. Reckard says that there is some language that needs to be fixed. This will be discussed at the meeting on Saturday.

Emails are coming in about broadband, and single-stream recycling. Ms. Sitkiewitz pointed out that the other towns are charging for solid waste.

Next Wednesday, the Walk With Walker is happening, meet at 9:30 walk at 10:00 at the Legion.

Vouchers 29552 to 29580 were approved for payment excluding voids, 29575 & 29579. The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 upon motion by Mr. Wolter, second by Ms. Weber, motion carried.

Town Board Action: Approved, 3-0

Approved: September 7, 2017

Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

Town of Presque Isle  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
August 19, 2017  
(unapproved)

Chairman Marshall Reckard called the special meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 9:00 am. Supervisors Cathy Logan Weber and Carl Wolter were also present.

**Pavilion Repairs:** Ms. Weber was in favor of rescinding the contract with Sullivan for repairs to the pavilion. Bob Barofsky inspected the structure with Steve Weber. Although Mr. Sullivan had the opinion that the structure was sound, they found some signs that the wood in the trusses, especially at the south end is showing signs of deterioration. Mr. Weber commented that there were several areas where the hollow sound produced when the logs are rapped on is a sign that the wood is punky. He further commented that red pine is a wet wood, and coupled with the metal would rot over time. At the time the structure was built, the logs were free, the labor was free, and the structure has been an attractive, useful structure. He wonders about the wisdom of “sinking money into something that in twenty years won’t be there. An equal amount of money could be used to erect a new structure. He recommended something like a Cleary building that would be built out of treated lumber, admittedly not as beautiful, but perhaps more practical. The options for cancelling the contract were discussed. Bob Barofsky placed a call to Mr. Sullivan who graciously agreed to the cancellation. Ms. Walters will write a letter to follow up the phone call. The next step is to begin researching the replacement building and demolition costs. The Parks and Recreation Committee would do the research, working with Ms. Weber, the Town Board liaison.

Delaying action on the purchase of the notice board was discussed.

Ms. Weber was disappointed in the way the presentation from Dave Wirtz was handled by Mr. Reckard, feeling that he “bullied” the speaker. She felt that Mr. Reckard’s reprimand was offensive to the citizens present. She also remarked that she heard gasps from the crowd at that time. Mr. Reckard stated that Mr. Wirtz was repeatedly asked to stay on topic. Mr. Wolter commented that Mr. Wirtz was “grandstanding”. Mr. Reckard stated that Mr. Harrison, former chairman, ran the meetings more loosely and observed that there have been additional comments about Boulder Junction in the Lakeland Times. He wants to run meetings in line with statutory requirements.

Mr. Reckard and Mr. Wolter discussed the LOSA Insurance program and necessary revisions to the agreement made several years ago.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 am.

Town Board Action: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

A motion \*\*\* was made by \*\*\*, seconded by \*\*\*, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

Town of Presque Isle  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
August 26, 2017  
(unapproved)

Chairman Marshall Reckard called the special meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 10:00 am. Supervisors Cathy Logan Weber and Carl Wolter were also present.

Mr. Reckard related that he has had a request to grant easement through town land for the veterans memorial. After brief discussion, a motion to approve Resolution 2017-3, granting easement to WE Energies to get to the memorial site was made by Mr. Wolter, seconded by Ms. Weber, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:04 am.

Town Board Action: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

Town of Presque Isle  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
September 7, 2017

Chairman Marshall Reckard called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 7:00 PM. Supervisor Cathy Logan Weber was also present. The minutes of the August 17, 2017 regular board meeting and August 26<sup>th</sup> special board meeting were approved by motion.

**Old Business:**

**Pipke Park Trails:** Ms. Weber stated that the Parks Committee is suggesting that the trail around the Park allow vehicle access to the pavilion, and the veterans memorial only. Vehicular traffic should not be allowed to circle the entire park. The Board agreed to accept this proposal.

**Message Boards:** Ms. Weber reported that she and Ms. Walters have gone over the information regarding the message boards, and that by purchasing 3 items, there is a significant savings. They are proposing that the town purchase 3 new boards from the Uline Co., one each for statutory postings at the Transfer Station and Town Hall and a board for public postings. Motion by Mr. Reckard, second by Ms. Weber, motion carried. (This item was approved for the purchase of one board at a previous meeting, this will be on the next agenda for clarification)

**Transfer Station Operations:** Mr. Reckard presented cost and income numbers to the board on a hand out and explained them, copy attached. He finds no saving by going to single stream recycling. Ms. Weber stated that she has spoken to several people who have gone to this system and they are very satisfied. She stated that we currently do not recycle #3-#7 and the people would recycle more if it were easier. No action taken.

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** Peggy Johnson-Wiessner questioned whether labor was taken into consideration on Mr. Reckard's presentation, he stated that it was not because he would not reduce the hours that the Transfer Station would operate. She also questioned the cost of accepting furniture if we are losing money when we dispose of it. Barb Peck agreed that these charges should be addressed so that there is not a cost to the general public. Ms. Wiessner also asked for clarification of the procedure to have items put on the agenda and it was explained that the request must be made in writing or email 3 days before a meeting.

**Board Reports on Previous Agenda Items:** None

**New Business:**

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** None

**Board Correspondence and/or Future Agenda Items:** None

Vouchers #29543-29637 were approved for payment. The meeting adjourned at 8:04 on a motion by Ms. Weber, second by Mr. Reckard, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Sitkiewitz, Treasurer

Town of Presque Isle  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
September 21, 2017

Chairman Marshall Reckard called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 7:00pm. Supervisors Cathy Logan Weber and Carl Wolter were also present. Minutes for the September 7, 2017 meeting were approved by motion. Ms. Sitkiewitz read the treasurer's report.

**Old Business:**

**Transfer Station Operations:** Mr. Wolter has examined Mr. Reckard's numbers provided at the last meeting. Mr. Wolter made a motion to stay with the system we have. Ms. Weber seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Ms. Weber has looked at some other numbers that she believes would get us closer to more favorable figures. Marshall said Mr. Wirtz's savings were derived from cutting Transfer Station hours and charging for the service. Mr. Reckard is still concerned about the white goods and furniture/ building materials expenses relative to revenues. Work would need to be done there. Mr. Reckard has been studying operations at our Transfer Station that fall outside the regular recycling and solid waste categories, such as household goods, scrap metal, waste oil, etc. He is willing to continue the discussion until these areas can be studied fully. Ms. Weber has looked at other areas, such as insurance costs. She believes there are a lot of recyclables being included in the solid waste. She sees single stream as being easier for people, a service that we could provide to our citizens. Mr. Reckard stated that there is a \$190 cost difference for each time Eagle Waste comes to get a load. It costs us \$1500 to recycle 96 tons, Eagle Waste cost \$10,500 for a rented container. He cited other figures to support his position. Mr. Wolter's fear is that if we make this change, we can't go back. He thinks the system works well. If we were in the same positions as the other towns, not owning all this equipment, the decision might be different. When a major piece of equipment, such as the truck, wears out and needs to be replaced, it would make more sense to do this. Mr. Wolter aye, Ms. Weber, nay, Mr. Reckard, aye, motion carried, 2-1.

**Message Boards - Rescind Motion of August 17, 2017:** Ms. Weber made a motion to rescind the motion to purchase one sign board if the funds were available. Mr. Wolter seconded the motion, motion carried, 3-0.

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** none

**Board Reports on Previous Agenda Items:** none

**New Business**

**Bid Opening - Gravel Crushing:** One bid was received for gravel crushing. Pitlik & Wick, 15,000 cu yds, #2 gravel @ \$4.75, \$71,250; rejected 5/16" sand, 10,500 cu yds @ \$2/yd, \$21,000, Total bid: \$92,250. Half will be paid in 2017 and half in 2018. A motion approving the bid was made by Mr. Wolter, seconded by Ms. Weber, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Approval of Operators License:** Ms. Walters requested approval of operators licenses for Renee Behnke and Pam Eschenbauch. A motion approving the licenses was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Wolter, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** Ms. Peck asked if community members can use town equipment to load sand. They are allowed to fill a 5 gallon bucket with a shovel.

**Board Correspondence and/or Future Agenda Items:** Ms. Walters has received a request from George Nelson that someone else be recruited to manage the Bird City Wisconsin membership. It's not much work, but a person needs to be designated. She will place a newspaper ad. Ms. Walters is in receipt of an invitation to all board members for the dedication ceremony for the Wilderness Veterans Memorial Flame on October 14 at 11:00. She cautioned them to arrive early and remarked that parking shuttles will be available. She

stated that Board members have been given a copy of Nick Williams AIS grant reconciliation. Mr. Williams also has reported that Eurasian Water Milfoil has been found in Stateline Lake.<sup>1</sup>

**Board Reports:** Mr. Wolter updated the Board about the LOSA program. The next meeting of the Fire Department will be attended by Mr. Wolter and Mr. Reckard, and will be noticed as such by the Fire Department. Mr. Reckard reported that the state budget includes a measure to double the state's match with a cap of \$500/individual. Another provision allows 7+ day rentals in R-1 zoning district.

Mr. Reckard reminded Mr. Wolter to find out how the liquor license work by the Ordinance Committee is coming.

The pavilion situation may be addressed by the Parks Committee, but they are reluctant to begin work until they got direction from the Board. Mr. Wolter stated that this is a beautiful structure and felt that a metal building would not be as nice. Suggestions such as keeping the current stamped concrete floor should be considered. Mr. Wolter mentioned that the support beams in front of the Town Hall are rotting. The outer doors of the same structure are starting to rust. Max Wallace is going to try to repair them. Some small structures need new roofing shingles. Ms. Weber asked about the traffic control barriers in Pipke Park. This project will be postponed until the beginning of the season in 2018. Allowances will need to be made for emergency vehicles.

Mr. Reckard stated that no committee has the authority to enter into debt on behalf of the Town or enter into an agreement with another entity for use of town equipment. That is a Town Board function.

Ms. Weber reported that she attended the last EDC meeting and asked what they thought about tracking for cross country ski trails. This will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

Ms. Weber reported that broadband was discussed at the Vilas County EDC committee meeting. A representative of Sonic was present. Sonic provides service by towers with a range of 4.5 miles. Centurylink's service should be completed in about two or three weeks. Mr. Reckard stated that there is a new contractor out of Texas, with local people handling some aspects of the cut-over. Budget planning will be done beginning on October 21, with the second meeting October 28, 9:00 am.

Vouchers #29639-29669 were approved for payment. The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 upon motion by Mr. Wolter, second by Ms. Weber, motion carried.

Town Board Action: Approved, 2-0

Approved: October 5, 2017

Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

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<sup>1</sup> Mr. Williams has since informed the clerk that the alleged report of Eurasian Water Milfoil has not yet been confirmed by testing of any specimens found in Stateline Lake.

Town of Presque Isle  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
October 5, 2017

Chairman Marshall Reckard called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 7:00pm. Supervisor Cathy Logan Weber was also present. Minutes for the September 21 meeting were approved by motion. Ms. Sitkiewitz read the treasurer's report.

**Old Business:**

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** Peggy Johnson would like to see more detail in agenda items. Mr. Reckard is also in favor of a better description on agenda items. The Board of Review will not be happening on October 23.

**Board Reports on Previous Agenda Items:** Ms. Weber has studied the recycling numbers more thoroughly, referring to the \$10,500 figure in the last meeting's minutes. She and Mr. Reckard discussed the numbers. Mr. Wittinghill's proposal showed \$28,915 for purchase of a compactor. These figures need to be verified to determine if there is maintenance on a purchased compactor. Mr. Reckard pointed out that a decision was made at the last meeting, and believes that if the issue were to come up again, the decision would be the same. Discussion followed. Ms. Weber suggested that with purchasing the compactor there would be an approximate cost reduction of \$4,000 as compared to the rented compactor. Ms. Weber speculated that if the truck and balers were sold now, a significant portion of the new equipment could be paid for. If we wait until the truck is worth less, that wouldn't be true. Mr. Reckard stated that through Internet research he found that the packer truck should be worth about \$80,000, but that he had a much smaller offer for all the equipment. He would have to check into whether or not the truck could be sold outright without requesting bids for the sale. Mr. Reckard made a commitment to do that.

**New Business**

**Catherine Wolter Wilderness Area - Cross Country Ski Trail Grooming:** Ms. Weber has spoken with Matt Dahlman with the Nature Conservancy. She provided Mr. Reckard with a map of the Catherine Wolter Wilderness Area. Pipke Park was intended to have a cross-country ski trail, but, as it turns out, the trail doesn't work well for that, with sharp corners and steep inclines. In Presque Isle, there is no tracked cross-country ski trail. Presque Isle is not shown to have any cross-country ski trails on the Northwoods Trails website. Ms. Weber suggests that it might be nice to groom the 2.5 mile portion of the CWWA trail. Mr. Dahlman is in favor of the grooming even as much as 5 miles of trail. Mr. Reckard would need to determine if town equipment and town employees could be used for this purpose. He will check with the Town Attorney as to whether a town employee could do work on land the Town does not own. This might be similar to the way brushing in Natural Lakes is handled; they have to prove that they have placed a newspaper ad for a private business to do the work before the Town will be able to do it.

**Approval of Operators License:** A motion tabling this item was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Reckard, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; motion carried, 2-0. The name of the applicant is not known at this time.

**EDC Report:** Bonnie Byrnes was present to update the Board on their recent meeting. Their pan fishing letter has gotten 100% response in support of the project. They are hoping to get support for that from the Town. The Vilas County EDC stated the need for continued pressure for fast Internet service. Some preliminary work related to Vilas County's improvements on Highway B in town is being done by Ayers & Associates. She is hoping to gather opinions from community members about taking advantage of this project to improve the downtown look with vintage lighting, etc. Their meetings are usually held the last Tuesday at 2:30 pm, but this month the meeting will be held on the 24th of October. Mr. Reckard requested that agenda show that Town Board members may be present. Ms. Byrnes stated that it is being done.

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** Barb Peck asked if the EDC will be at the next meeting asking for a letter. Ms. Byrnes confirmed that. She also asked if Max is full time. He is not.

**Board Correspondence and/or Future Agenda Items:** Ms. Weber has received an email from Nick Williams regarding broadband stating that the Town Board should be talking to CenturyLink and our state representatives.

**Board Reports:** There is a substantial beaver problem on North Crab Lake, preventing the normal flow in that chain. He's hoping for some help from the Town. A Vilas County contractor traps the beavers and removes the blockage.

Ms. Weber was told that a couple of deer shooting incidents have happened in town. Mr. Reckard confirmed that the DNR wardens are dealing with it.

Ms. Walters had a call about the missing no-motor sign on Rice Creek. Mr. Reckard will have the Town Crew confirm that the sign(s) is(are) there and replace it(them) if not.

Ms. Weber asked about the Town committees. They are:

- Accommodations Tax Committee
- Board of Adjustment (statutory)
- Economic Development Committee
- Town Lakes Committee
- Library Board of Trustees (statutory)
- Ordinance Committee
- Park & Recreation Committee
- Zoning Committee (statutory)
- Terrestrial Invasive Species Committee

Ms. Weber asked if we have a policy on Town Board vacancies. There is a policy addressing that.

Mr. Reckard reported that the Park & Rec Committee is asking for guidance regarding what to do about the pavilion. A Park & Rec meeting will be posted including Town Board members. This could happen at their October 11 meeting.

Mr. Reckard can't be here for the Veterans Memorial Dedication; neither can Ms. Weber. Mr. Wolter will be contacted to see if he can represent the Board at that ceremony.

Vouchers #29670-29710 were approved for payment. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm upon motion by Ms. Weber, second by Mr. Reckard, motion carried.

Town Board Action: Approved, 2-0-1

Approved: October 19, 2017

Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

Town of Presque Isle  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
October 19, 2017

Chairman Marshall Reckard called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 7:00pm. Supervisors Cathy Logan Weber and Carl Wolter were also present. Minutes for the meeting were approved by motion.

**Old Business:**

**Single Stream Recycling Update:** Mr. Reckard referred to the previous meeting's discussion, stating that Ms. Weber was correct about the rental numbers for the compactor vs. the box. Discussion continued. Maintenance is done by a vendor from Antigo. Ms. Weber presented her position on the numbers regarding buying as opposed to renting. Her point was that renting is more expensive over the long term than buying the compactors. In her calculations, the cost of single stream recycling is within about \$4000 of our current annual costs, as opposed to Mr. Reckard's estimate of \$9000/yr. Mr. Wolter would like to "put this topic to bed". Mr. Reckard stated that a motion was made and passed by a 2/1 margin. A motion to rescind that motion can only be made by a board member who voted in favor of the original motion. A motion to reconsider was made and immediately withdrawn by Mr. Wolter.

**Catherine Wolter Wilderness Area - Cross Country Ski Trail Grooming:** Mr. Reckard stated that the WTA attorney advised him that the "Public purpose doctrine" of the Wisconsin Constitution prevents the use of town equipment on private projects.

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** Peggy Johnson-Wiessner appreciates the work done by Mr. Reckard and Ms. Weber. As a citizen she does not like to separate her recyclable materials and believes the Board's decision is short sighted.

**Board Reports on Previous Agenda Items:** none

**New Business:**

**Fire Department - LOSA Insurance Program - Updating Requirements:** Mr. Reckard is looking for a change in the old system, which includes a provision where the firefighters contribute part of the contribution. He does not think they should be required to contribute that portion. State law has changed to match town dollars 2 for 1, up to a maximum of \$500. He would also like to see a stiffer requirement for participation in meetings, trainings, and service calls, believing that the current requirements are too lax. A motion to make the changes documented in Mr. Reckard's paperwork was made by Mr. Reckard, seconded by Mr. Wolter, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Community Room - Replacement of Tables - Lions Donation/Town Budget:** Ms. Walters had a conversation with a representative from Lions. Their organization would like to donate a set of white tables, which are lighter than the old brown ones that the town owns. Mr. Reckard asked to have a Lions Club member present at the next meeting to discuss options.

**Schedule Special Meeting with Town Employees - Budgeting for Pay & Benefits 2018:** The purpose of this meeting would be to negotiate the 2018 pay and benefits with the town employees. The meeting would need to take place during the work day. A meeting will be posted for Thursday, 10/27 at 9:30 am at the Town Garage.

**Revised EDC Procedures - Increase Number of Board Members:** Mr. Wolter called on Bonnie Johnson to present information about increasing the membership on the committee by one, to make the board membership an odd number. A motion to increase the voting members on the EDC, with the new member being a pro-business person was made by Mr. Wolter, seconded by Ms. Weber for purposes of discussion. Ms. Weber liked the first part of the motion, but thought the second part was too restrictive. Reckard, nay;

Weber, nay; Wolter, aye; motion defeated, 1-2. A motion to increase the voting members on the EDC to seven was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Wolter, Reckard, nay; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 2-1.

**Letter of Town Support for Pan Fishing in Pipke Park Ponds:** Ms. Byrnes is asking for a resolution supporting the stocking of the ponds in Pipke Park. A motion to support the stocking of the Pipke Park ponds was made by Mr. Wolter, seconded by Ms. Weber, Reckard, nay; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 2-1. They are working with the Department of Agriculture and the DNR to get this moving along. These are the agencies that would actually be doing the work. Ms. Walters will work with Ms. Byrnes to prepare a resolution for the next meeting. He has also requested that the Parks Committee be included in this discussion. He is also concerned about the costs and rumors about fish hatcheries, etc. If there's not a prohibitive cost connected to this he is in favor of the plan.

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** Barb Peck declared her belief that the additional EDC member should have some knowledge about business. Ms. Burke stated that not every non-business person is opposed to business development. The EDC has the appearance of an extension of the chamber

**Board Correspondence and/or Future Agenda Items:** Mr. Wolter commended Larry Gorrilla for all the hard work with the veterans memorial. He then stated that Jack Harrison was Town Chairman for 20 years, suggesting that Balsam Lane to be renamed to Harrison Lane. Vilas County controls the naming of roads. Mr. Reckard will take that request to the county. Mr. Wolter would like to see more brushing along W to the west of the memorial. After the Legion and the county brushed out the area along the road in front of the new memorial, Mr. Wolter thought it would be a good idea to brush out some more from the legion to the west. Stating that there should be continuity between town boards, Mr Wolter reminded the Board that in the past several years, action had been taken to bring delapidated structures in to compliance. He further stated that Vilas County Health Department has declared that a building in town is not suitable for habitation. And that there is no sanitation in the dwelling. Although Mr. Wolter doesn't want to make him vacate his house, but it should be brought up to the proper standards. He will consult with Constable. Meyer to decide how to proceed.

Board Reports: none

Vouchers 29711-29739 were approved for payment. The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 pm. upon motion by Mr. Wolter, second by Ms. Weber, motion carried.

Town Board Action: Approved, 3-0

Approved: November 2, 2017

Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

Town of Presque Isle  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
October 27, 2017

Chairman Marshall Reckard called the special meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 9:00am. Supervisor Cathy Logan Weber was also present.

After discussion with town employees, the following changes were made to the Pay and Benefits contract:

- Upon retirement: “lump sum payment of ~~1/3~~ **50%** of any unused sick leave with a maximum of ~~thirty (30)~~ **forty five (45)** days total payout per employee”
- Vacation carry-over: “~~This week must be taken within the first quarter of that year, but subject to the needs of the town.~~ **This carry-over week must be taken within the year, but subject to the needs of the town.**”
- Pay raise for 2018: 3%
- Dental and Vision Insurance: Costs will be researched, expense to be totally borne by employee.

After completion of discussion, meeting was adjourned.

Town Board Action: Approved, 2-0-1

Approved: November 2, 2017

Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

Town of Presque Isle  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
November 2, 2017

Chairman Marshall Reckard called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 7:00pm. Supervisors Cathy Logan Weber and Carl Wolter were also present. Minutes for the October 19 and 27, 2017 meetings were approved by motion.

**Old Business:**

**Board Reports on Previous Agenda Items:**

**Approval of Operators License:** A motion was made by Ms. Weber to approve an operators license for Nicole Castillo. This motion was seconded by Mr. Wolter, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Community Room - Replacement of Tables - Lions Donation/Town Budget:** This item was tabled until the next meeting.

**Resolution 2017-4 Support for Fish Stocking in Pipke Ponds:** This item was tabled until the next meeting.

**Board of Review Date Reminder - November 14, 9:00 AM:** This item was presented as information only.

**Miscellaneous:** none

**New Business:**

**Winter Meeting Schedule:** For the months of December - March, Regular Town Board Meetings will be held on the first Thursday at 6:00 pm.

**Board Correspondence and/or Future Agenda Items:** none

**Board Reports:** Mr. Reckard reported that after completing more research, he believes it is possible to do cross-country ski trail grooming in the Catherine Wolter Wilderness Area. Ms. Weber will take on this project. A hold-harmless agreement will need to be drawn up with the Nature Conservancy. Mr. Reckard stated that this is being done on a trial basis for this season only, at this point. Max will document his hours and expenses on this project.

Mr. Wolter is unhappy about being removed as the liaison to the Fire Department.

Vouchers #29740-29786 were approved for payment with the following voids, 29767, 29756, 29776. The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 upon motion by Ms. Weber, second by Mr. Wolter, motion carried.

Town Board Action: Approved 2-0

Approved: November 16, 2017

Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

Town of Presque Isle  
Adjourned Annual Meeting  
November 16, 2017  
(unapproved)

Chairman Marshall Reckard called the Adjourned Annual Meeting of the Town of Presque Isle to order immediately following the Budget Hearing.

A motion approving the 2017 levy in the amount of \$1,173,465, payable in 2018 was made by Barb Peck, seconded by Jorja Burke. The motion was passed by voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned upon motion by Carol Stone, second by Jorja Burke, motion carried.

Town Board Action \_\_\_\_\_

Approved \_\_\_\_\_

Amended \_\_\_\_\_

Town of Presque Isle			
Budget 2017			
Revenues			
	2016	10/1/15-9/30/16	2017
	Budget	Actual	Proposed
Real Estate Taxes	\$1,080,030	\$1,086,484	\$1,111,684
Room Tax	\$8,500	\$7,309	\$7,000
Intergovernmental Revenues			
State Shared Revenue	\$13,121	\$11,123	\$13,120
2% Fire Dues	\$11,500	\$11,343	\$11,400
EMS Grant	\$3,830	\$3,607	\$3,830
Transportation Aids	\$135,489	\$135,329	\$135,489
TRIP Funds		\$0	
Severance Tax		\$881	
Federal Library Grant			
In Lieu of Taxes, Cons	\$8,000	\$9,655	\$9,000
Computer Tax Relief	\$60	\$49	\$50
FC/MFL	\$750	-\$7,443	
PILT	\$3,000	\$3,628	\$3,000
Parks Grant-Rearing Pond	\$15,000	\$0	\$15,000
Payments for Municipal Services		\$0	
National Forest Income	\$5	\$0	\$5
NWLS Collection Development Grant	\$1,600	\$1,496	\$1,375
AIS Grant	\$0	\$36,528	
Medical Transport	\$1,000	\$2,000	
Mead Witter Library Grant		\$0	
Art Program Grants		\$0	
Knowles-Nelson (Phase II)	\$5,254	\$0	\$5,254
Fuel Tax Refund		\$223	\$200
Recycling Grant	\$8,264	\$8,024	\$8,000
	\$206,873	\$216,444	\$205,723
Licenses & Permits			
Liquor & Beer Licenses	\$2,000	\$2,145	\$2,000
Dog Licenses		\$172	
Zoning Permits & Fees	\$9,500	\$8,645	\$8,000
Fire Numbers	\$200	\$450	\$500
UDC Inspections	\$10,000	\$951	
Variance Fees	\$300	\$0	\$300
	\$22,000	\$12,363	\$10,800
Fines, Forfeits & Penalties		\$0	
Public Charges for Services			
Clerk's Fees & Misc	\$0	\$215	
Ambulance Charges	\$25,500	\$24,328	\$24,000
Snowplowing			
Solid Waste Disposal	\$3,000	\$2,905	\$2,800
Cemetery	\$0	\$200	

Other Highway Revenues	\$0	\$2,716		
Timber Sale	\$55,045	\$0		
	\$83,545	\$30,364	\$26,800	
Miscellaneous Revenues				
Interest Income	\$1,000	\$1,323	\$1,000	
Rent Income	\$5,415	\$6,888	\$6,000	
Sale of Fire/Ambulance Equipment				
Sale of Highway Equipment				
Sale of Transfer Station Equip				
Sale of Recyclables	\$2,000	\$1,468	\$1,500	
Contributions Towards Grant				
Donations		\$1,426		
Misc Income	\$5,000	\$1,577	\$1,000	
	\$13,415	\$12,682	\$9,500	
Proceeds of Long-term Debt	\$160,000	\$476,199	\$0	
	\$1,574,363	\$1,841,846	\$1,371,507	

<b>Town of Presque Isle</b>			
<b>Budget 2017</b>			
<b>Expenses</b>			
	<b>2016</b>	<b>10/1/15-9/30/16</b>	<b>2017</b>
	Budget	Actual	Proposed
<b>General Government</b>			
Town Board	\$28,278	\$29,825	\$30,000
Zoning	\$13,687	\$11,984	\$15,200
Judicial	\$2,927	\$1,378	\$3,000
Legal	\$7,938	\$6,790	\$8,000
Clerk & Elections	\$36,603	\$44,874	\$40,488
Treasurer & Assessor	\$31,342	\$29,856	\$47,640
Town Hall	\$28,315	\$32,786	\$31,750
Highway Insurance	\$73,636	\$74,500	\$75,000
Other Insurance	\$42,907	\$35,236	\$36,000
Other	\$5,000		\$5,000
	\$270,633	\$267,229	\$292,078
<b>Public Safety</b>			
Constable	\$9,150	\$9,922	\$9,900
Fire Protection	\$68,462	\$51,949	\$66,600
Ambulance	\$13,922	\$20,324	\$13,000
Building Inspection	\$9,922	\$6,479	
	\$101,456	\$88,674	\$89,500
<b>Public Works</b>			
Highway Salaries	\$177,000	\$171,748	\$171,800
Garage Supplies	\$9,922	\$11,990	\$10,000
Fuel, Oil	\$49,610	\$26,295	\$30,000
Garage Utilities	\$8,930	\$6,410	\$7,000
Equipment Repairs	\$24,805	\$15,655	\$16,000
General Highway Maintenance	\$90,290	\$153,915	\$100,000
Gravel Crushing	\$49,610	\$55,243	\$50,000
Gravel Pit Reclamation			
Street Lights	\$3,900	\$3,826	\$3,900
	\$414,067	\$445,081	\$388,700
<b>Sanitation</b>			
Solid Waste	\$51,618	\$41,165	\$43,250
Recycling	\$63,658	\$57,324	\$59,220
	\$115,276	\$98,489	\$102,470
	\$529,343	\$543,569	\$491,170
<b>Health &amp; Human Services</b>			
Cemetery	\$992	\$1,397	\$1,224
Tri-County Council	\$100	\$100	\$200
	\$1,092	\$1,497	\$1,424
<b>Culture, Recreation &amp; Education</b>			
Library	\$56,264	\$57,431	\$63,000
NWLS CD Grant	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$1,375
Art Programs		\$500	
Parks	\$23,417	\$23,077	\$23,650
	\$81,281	\$82,607	\$88,025
<b>Conservation &amp; Development</b>			
Room Tax Expenditures	\$0	\$10,000	
Chamber of Commerce	\$4,961	\$5,000	\$7,500
Economic Development Committee			\$1,500
Community Garden		\$3,743	
Vilas County Advertising	\$1,500	\$2,250	\$1,500
Aquatic Invasive Species Committee	\$15,181	\$13,962	\$14,300
Terrestrial Invasive Species Committee	\$1,984	\$1,770	\$1,800
Logging	\$4,961	\$0	
	\$28,587	\$36,725	\$26,600
<b>Capital Outlay</b>			
Buildings	\$19,844	\$4,420	
Other General Government	\$8,882		

Ambulance Equipment		\$185,508	
Fire Protection	\$7,938	\$71	
Hwy Equipment		\$63,890	
Fire Equipment			
Town Garage			
Highway	\$253,255	\$146,187	\$100,000
Bike Trail Lane on W			
Sewage System			
Generator			
Ball Diamond Lighting			
Parks – Other	\$1,488	\$258	\$15,000
Library Pass-Thru			
Library Expansion			
Rearing Ponds	\$30,470	\$20,340	
	\$321,876	\$420,673	\$115,000
Debt Service			
Principal	\$207,271	\$207,271	\$233,673
Interest	\$32,824	\$32,824	\$34,037
	\$240,095	\$240,095	\$267,710
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,574,364</b>	<b>\$1,681,070</b>	<b>\$1,371,507</b>

Town of Presque Isle  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
November 16, 2017

Chairman Marshall Reckard called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order immediately following the Adjourned Annual Town Meeting at 6:30 pm. Supervisors Cathy Logan Weber was also present. Mr. Wolter arrived at 6:49. Minutes for the November 2, 2017 meeting were approved by motion. Ms. Sitkiewitz read the treasurer's report. Note: Although some agenda items were completed before the posted meeting time of 7:00, Mr. Reckard returned to the beginning of the agenda for the benefit of those who missed the earlier part of the meeting.

**Old Business:**

**Miscellaneous Public Comments on Agenda Items:** none

**Catherine Wolter Wilderness Area - MOU, Matt Dahlman:** Matt Dahlman was present to give the board information on the cross country ski trail grooming. He is confident that grooming the 2 mile trail is a positive development. The MOU is a simple agreement that can be drawn up between the two organizations. The requested hold harmless agreements might be more difficult, in his opinion. This is something that Mr. Reckard will talk to the town attorney about. Mr. Dahlman will work with Ms. Weber to get the Memo of Understanding completed.

**Length of Service Award Program:** A motion to reconsider the motion regarding changes to the LOSA agreement and point system passed on October 19, 2017 was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Reckard, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, not present; motion carried, 2-0. A motion rescinding the October 19 motion was made by Ms. Weber seconded by Mr. Reckard, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, not present; motion carried, 2-0. A motion to remove the option of using the department members stipend to pay the town's portion of the LOSA payment was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Reckard, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, not present; motion carried, 2-0.

**Approve Employee Agreements:** A motion approving the Work Rules and Pay and Benefits was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Reckard, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, not present; motion carried, 2-0.

**Board Reports on Previous Agenda Items:** none

**New Business**

**Miscellaneous Public Comments on Agenda Items:** none

**Final Plat Approval - 4 Lot Subdivision - Carlin Lake, S20 T43N R6E:** Forrest Jukich brought forward the final plat. The maintenance agreement will be attached to the deed. No changes have been made. A motion approving the final plat was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Reckard, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, abstain; motion carried, 2-0-1.

**Resolution 2017-2 - Resolution to Accept East Van Vliet Road Grant from DNR:** A motion approving the resolution which provides for a \$40,000 grant from the DNR for improvements to East Van Vliet Road estimated to be in excess of \$60,000 was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Reckard, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, not present; motion carried, 2-0.

**Approval of Election Workers for 2018-19:** A motion approving Republican election workers was made by Ms. Weber seconded by Mr. Reckard, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, not present; motion carried, 2-0.

**Approval of Zoning Ordinance Amendments:** The Vilas County Board of Supervisors has approved the proposed changes to our zoning ordinance. A motion approving changes to Subchapter 902 of the zoning ordinance was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Reckard, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Resolution 2017-4 - Pipke Park Ponds Fish Stocking:** A motion adopting the resolution authorizing the EDC Committee to pursue this project was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by M. Wolter, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0. Bonnie Byrnes said the process may take 2-3 years starting next season.

**Resolution 2017-5 AIS Grant Resolutions for Approval - 2018 Grant Cycle:** A motion to adopt the resolution authorizing the seeking of grants for lake studies was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Wolter, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0. The lakes covered by the 2017 grants are listed below:

- Stateline
- Beaver, Dunn, Morton, McCullough
- Little Presque Isle, Twin Island
- Oxbow

**Christmas Decorations in Pipke Park:** Ms Weber told that the Chamber is having a gathering and will be decorating in Pipke Park. The Chamber is asking if they should leave the decorations in place for the holiday season. Lights in Pipke Park are not supposed to be on all day & night. Some work needs to be done on the timer system. The suggestion to leave the decorations up has been brought up to the Parks Committee, but their opinion is not known at this time. Ms. Weber would enjoy seeing lit decorations remain. Mr. Wolter agreed, and suggested a timer to control the time that the lights are lit. A motion to keep the decorations past the time of the event. was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Wolter, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Approval of Banking Resolution - Library:** Tabled until January.

**EDC - Broadband Grant:** Bonnie Byrnes presented information answering some FAQs about Sonic Net's grant program. There are some areas that will not receive good coverage from the Centurylink upgrade. It is possible that SonicNet could service these areas. She stated that there is no financial outlay by the town. Mr. Reckard would agree to have the presentation by Sonic Net at the December 7 meeting.

**Board Correspondence and/or Future Agenda Items:**

Mr. Wolter brought some information from the Fire Department and EMS. He brought up the other two items mentioned in their first letter. Mr. Reckard did not allow further discussion at this time.

Ms. Weber and Mr. Wolter discussed possibilities to honor Jack Harrison for his past service as town chairman.

Ms. Weber brought up maintenance of the community center. She would like to see the community room floor stripped. She also suggested designing a schedule for painting and other longer term maintenance items.

Ms. Walters has received correspondence from Barb Peck regarding the public comment section of the agenda. Mr. Reckard will talk to Ms. Peck to find more about her suggestions. After being recognized by Ms. Weber, Ms. Peck commented that citizens don't feel they have the freedom to talk about things that are on their minds, using her experience as a high school board member as a reference for how it could be done.

Ms. Walters has received information that a position is available with Vilas County Commission on Aging for the Meal Site Manager. She has more detailed information for anyone interested.

**Board Reports:** Gravel crushing is in progress at the town garage. Hard hats must be worn in that area while that work is being done.

Vouchers 29787-29822 were approved for payment. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 upon motion by Mr. Wolter, second by Ms. Weber, motion carried.

Town Board Action: Approved, 3-0

Approved: December 7, 2017

Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

Town of Presque Isle  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
December 2, 2017

Chairman Marshall Reckard called the special meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 9:00am. Supervisor Cathy Logan Weber was also present.

Discussion centered around the Memo of Understanding for cross-country ski trail grooming in the Catherine Wolter Wilderness Area.

Town Board Action: Approved, 2-0-1

Approved: December 7, 2017

Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

Town of Presque Isle  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
December 7, 2017

Chairman Marshall Reckard called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Presque Isle to order at 7:00pm. Supervisors Cathy Logan Weber and Carl Wolter were also present. Minutes for the November 16 and December 2 meeting were approved by two separate motions. Ms. Sitkiewitz read the treasurer's report.

**Old Business:**

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:**

**Discussion/Adoption of Catherine Wolter Wilderness Area Trail Grooming MOU:** Ms. Weber has worked with Matt Dallman to draft the Memo of Understanding for grooming and tracking the 2.5 mile trail. A motion was made by Mr. Wolter seconded by Ms. Weber, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0. Mr. Wolter gave accolades to Ms. Weber for her work on this project. Max will begin this work right away.

**Approval of Election Inspectors for 2018-19:** A motion to approve election inspectors for the Democrat party was made by Mr. Wolter, seconded by Ms. Weber, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Board Reports on Previous Agenda Items:** none

**New Business:**

**Miscellaneous Public Comments:** The Zoning Committee and Accommodations Tax Committee met jointly last week to discuss the changes in the law governing short-term rentals. Peggy Johnson expressed the hope that there is an efficient way to get the word out to property owners. She felt that the mailing of the tax bills should have been delayed a week to accommodate the inclusion of this information.

**Budget Adoption - 2018 Revenues Expenses:** A motion adopting the 2018 budget as published was made by Mr. Wolter, seconded by Ms. Weber, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**Committee Appointments:** Mr. Reckard appointed committee members as listed below.

**Accommodations Tax Committee**

Barb Peck  
Otto Novak  
Rick Strand

**Board of Adjustment**

Al Eschenbauch  
vacant

**Economic Development Committee**

Bonnie Byrnes  
Chris Wolter  
~~Mary Watkins~~ no written-application received

**Ordinance Committee**

Tom Preston  
Jim Nelson

**Park & Recreation Committee**

Al Drum  
Barb Peck (appointment postponed pending interview)

**Zoning & Planning Committee**

Dick Hemming

A motion approving the appointments, except as noted, was made by Ms. Weber, seconded by Mr. Wolter, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.

**[Accommodations Tax Ordinance Update - Wisconsin Act 59](#)**: Ms. Weber called the WTA to find out how accommodations tax money will be handled for members of businesses such as AirBnB. She found out that it will be necessary to update ordinance to include provisions for “Lodging Marketplace” businesses. Regarding comments made by the public, Ms. Weber felt that a separate mailing is best, stating that about half of the tax rolls are unimproved. Mailing a postcard to just improved properties would reduce this expense. Mr. Reckard, believing that some clarification is needed, would like to refer this to the town attorney for advice.

**WTA District Meeting- Feb 2, 2018**: All three Board members and the clerk will attend the WTA meeting.

**Building Cleaning & Maintenance**: Ms. Weber met with our maintenance employee and several others about maintenance duties. Urinals are not flushing properly. She has received an estimate from Dumask Plumbing for replacing the 22 year old flush valves. Replacement parts are no longer available for the old flush valves. The fire department urinal, Kohler, is having problems, too. Mr. Reckard is concerned about the cost of the drywall. A motion to proceed with the project as outlined in the proposal was made by Mr. Wolter seconded by Ms. Weber, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0. Ms. Weber will request that he look at the fire department fixture as well.

- **Planning for Building Maintenance Projects**: Ms. Weber stated that Max has noticed some missing shingles when shoveling the roof. She is recommending that the Board start to think about the necessity of replacing the roof in the future. Another concern is the water dripping and causing ice formation on sidewalks behind the town hall. She speculated that maybe something can be done as part of a roofing project. Mr. Reckard posited that if it can last one more year, it could be considered in the 2019 budget.
- **Discussion/Action on Estimate for Maintenance of Floors: [1 2 3 4](#)**. Ms. Weber has procured estimates for floor maintenance from Clean As Can Be, from Woodruff. Of the attached estimates, Ms. Weber would like to focus on the kitchen/community room floor stripping (estimate #1). A motion to accept the proposal for stripping and waxing for \$1,110 was made by Mr. Wolter seconded by Ms. Weber, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0.
- **[Approval of Revisions to Job Description](#)**: A motion to approve the attached revisions to the custodian job description was made by Mr. Wolter seconded by Ms. Weber, Reckard, aye; Weber, aye; Wolter, aye; motion carried, 3-0. Mr. Wolter suggested that, if big events happen, once a week bathroom cleaning is not enough.

**Board Correspondence and/or Future Agenda Items**: Mr. Reckard brought up the Landfill Venture Group meetings. Attendance at these meetings is important because a decision needs to be made about a new cell. Mr. Harrison has volunteered to attend. Mr. Wolter was delayed and unable to make the last meeting. He is willing to attend either by himself or with Mr. Harrison.

**Board Reports**: Ms. Weber has received the following information in correspondence from CenturyLink.

“There was a delay in getting power at the location on Cty Hwy P, that issue was rectified and the device is now ready for service. We are just finishing up some record updates to allow the service to be sold to those people that will be able to connect to it. At Annabelle Lake areas the device has also just finished up and we will be transferring customers to it in the next 2 weeks. There are a couple of roads in that area that will need additional re-grooming of cables to move them from one device to another and that will also be happening over the coming weeks. It’s a slow process but some of these last sites do require more work than the others have.

We will contact customers once they are able to get the service. Please understand we are working on thousands of sites like this around the nation and some sites do require more work than others.”

Sarah Johnson requested that the SonicNet be removed from tonight’s meeting because they are not pursuing the grant right now, but will in 2018. There will be a presentation from SonicNet when CenturyLink has completed their work.

Vouchers 29823 - 29866 with the exception 29825 were approved for payment. The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 pm.

Town Board Action: Approved, 3-0

Approved: January 4, 2018

Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

Minutes of Town of Presque Isle, WI Vilas County Special Board Meeting on Dec. 12, 2017 to interview candidates for Committees.

Meeting called to order at 1630 hrs. by Chair M. Reckard with C. Walters and C. Logan /Weber in attendance

Interviewed B. Peck for a opening on Parks & Recreation Comm. And M. Watkins for the EDC group.

Metering was adjourned at 1700 hrs. on a mention made by C Walters and seconded by K. Logan/Weber

M. Reckard

Acting Sec.