

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF BARNES  
MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING  
Tuesday October 16, 2018  
6:30 PM in the Barnes Town Hall**

**UNAPPROVED**

Chairperson Chris Webb called the Monthly Town Board Meeting to order at 6:30 PM. A roll call was taken to establish a quorum with Seana Frint, Tom Emerson, Zach Desrosiers and Donna Porter in attendance. Judy Bourassa verified public notice.

The pledge of allegiance to the flag was said by all.

*Motion made (Porter/Frint) to approve the agenda. Voice vote was taken, motion carried.*

*Motion made (Frint/Emerson) to approve the minutes of the 9/18/2018 Monthly Board Meeting and the 9/11, 9/18, 9/25 and 9/27/2018 Special Board Meetings and to dispense with the reading of those minutes. Voice vote was taken, motion carried.*

Public Comment Session: there were no public comments

Clerk Correspondence-letter received from Bayfield County Planning & Zoning regarding shoreland violation.

Review of Assessor proposal for 2019, 2020 and 2021

*Motion made (Porter/Frint) to approve the proposal from Associated Appraisal Consultants, Inc. for a 3 year contract. Voice vote taken, motion carried.*

Discussion of tax bill inserts-The Lakes, Transfer Site and A.I.S. Committee would like to have some verbiage included in the inserts so they will work with the clerk. Issue will be discussed in next month's meeting.

Vouchers approval –September vouchers

*Motion made (Emerson/Porter) to approve September vouchers. Voice vote taken, motion carried.*

Clerk/Treasurer Report: Judy Bourassa

The September Treasurer's Report prepared by Bourassa was reviewed.

*Motion made (Desrosiers/Emerson) to approve the September Treasurer's report. Voice vote taken, motion carried.*

Chairperson Webb asked about the final General Transportation Aid payment– it was received October 2<sup>nd</sup> so it's not reflected in the Sept. statement

Highway Department -Monthly Roads Report- Jim Frint

Fire and Ambulance Departments' monthly BES reports-Chairperson Webb read Tom Renz's report for Sept. An application for the Fire Department from Chance Oberholtzer was reviewed, Chief Renz recommends approval.

*Motion made (Desrosiers/Porter) to accept the application of Chance Oberholtzer to the Fire Department. Voice vote taken, motion carried.*

There was no Constable report

#### TOB Committee and Commission Reports

- a) A.I.S. Committee-Chris Webb  
Discussion of wage increase for boat landing monitors and the coordinator

*Motion made (Frint/Desrosiers) to increase the monitor wage to \$12/hr and the coordinator to \$14/hr. Voice vote taken, motion carried*

It was mentioned that another diver is needed as well.

- b) Roads & Right of Way Committee –Tom Emerson  
Recommendation from the committee to discontinue Blue Lake Rd (old landing road portion), the east fork of Wilbur Smith Rd and Buck 'n' Bass driveway. Chair Webb pointed out that the correct road name is Blue Lake Landing Rd.

*Motion made (Emerson/Desrosiers) to proceed with the initial steps to discontinuing these roads. Voice vote taken, motion carried.*

- c) Transfer Site Committee – Zach Desrosiers  
Recommendation from the committee to change the days of operation, closing on Saturdays from October 1<sup>st</sup> (instead of November 1<sup>st</sup>) to April 1<sup>st</sup> (no change). The Transfer Site would continue to be open on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday from April 1<sup>st</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup>.

*Motion made (Frint/Desrosiers) to change the days of operation at the Transfer Site as noted above, effective April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. Voice vote taken, motion carried.*

**The brush pit will only be open the hours the Transfer Site is open (no longer open 24/7).**

The intention is to start burning the brush December 1<sup>st</sup> (the brush pit will be closed during the burning).

- d) Parks & Rec Committee –  
Tomahawk Lake Park update-the purchase of materials was approved with construction of the warming hut to be completed this fall. The concrete deck and entry pads are to be poured in the next two weeks. There has been some plantings in the rain garden and there will be an outdoor spigot for plant watering. Play equipment for the park was discussed. Barnes Town Park update-the wind screens were discussed, grommets need to be added to them to attach to the fencing, Donna is researching it. The quarter mile walking trail was discussed, including some stations for activities. The Conservation Club will provide some benches and possibly picnic tables. The Lions Club was going to pay for roof replacement of the concession stand but they have disbanded and depleted their funds so they will not be paying for it.

e) EMS Committee –Guy Johnston

Update on Committee's progress-Sawyer County has some proposals for us but need approval from their administrator before they can present them. He's heard there has been discussion of a county-wide ambulance service

f) Lakes Committee-Cris Neff

The committee met yesterday and Cris Neff was nominated as Chair and Linda Mackley was nominated as Secretary. Bob Schoneberger, Rick Rehl and Tony Bauer are also committee members. They will continue to meet monthly (date has not been set for November yet) and will report to the board with their recommendations in March of 2019. The goals and objectives of the committee were discussed.

*Motion made (Porter/Frint) to appoint Bob Schoneberger, Rick Rehl, Tony Bauer, Cris Neff and Linda Mackley to the Lakes Committee. Voice vote taken, motion carried.*

g) Veterans Memorial Committee

Appointment of members and alternates was discussed. There are 3 VFW members that are willing to serve on the committee but they would like some citizens to serve on the committee as well. They will research ideas for a memorial and propose a location for the memorial. There will be another meeting to discuss further and propose members.

Jim Frint reported that they will start graveling Moore Rd in preparation for blacktop up to Tomahawk Park entrance.

Action Items and Timeline-they were reviewed and updated

*Motion made (Porter/Frint) to adjourn. Voice vote taken, motion carried.*

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

These minutes represent the general subject matter discussed in the meeting but do not reflect a verbatim documentation of the subjects and conversation that took place.