

JUNE 26, 2017 – TOWN BOARD MEETING

On Monday, June 26, 2017, the Town Board of the Town of Raymond held their monthly meeting. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was taken as follows: Present were, Chairman Gary Kastenson; Supervisors, Wayne Loppnow; Paul Ryan; Tim Geszvain and Dave Lecus. Also present were Town Clerk, Linda M. Terry; Town Treasurer, Lee Marie Toll; Fire/Rescue Chief, Adam Smith; and Town Engineer, Chris Stamborski.

The Treasurer's Report was read as follows:

Community State Bank - General Checking		
Beginning Balance		\$9,248.22
Deposits:	\$37,373.32	
Transfers in:	75,000.00	
Interest Earned	1.05	
Miscellaneous Credits/Voided Checks	2503.07	
Journal Entries debiting checking		
TOTAL DEPOSITS:	<hr/>	114,877.44
Disbursements:	(96,183.41)	
Transfers out:	(20,000.00)	
Bank Charges & Miscellaneous Deductions	(15.00)	
Journal Entries crediting checking	(1,294.00)	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:	<hr/>	(117,492.41)
ENDING BALANCE:		<hr/> 6,633.25
OTHER ACCOUNTS:		

UNRESTRICTED

Community State Bank - Money Market	33,532.42	
State LGIP Fund - Tax Investment	661,779.18	
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED SAVINGS	<hr/>	695,311.60
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED FUNDS		<hr/> 701,944.85

RESTRICTED

Community State Bank - Bond Escrow	80,091.89	
Community State Bank Storm Water Utility	12,223.83	
Community State Bank Cemetery Fund	12,091.88	
Community State Bank Perpetual Care Fund	6,431.18	
State LGIP Funds - Bond Escrow	10,498.16	
State LGIP Funds - Cemetery	21,479.19	
State LGIP Funds - Equipment Reserve	114,980.68	
State LGIP Funds - Land Reserve	23,103.68	
State LGIP Funds - Raymond SWUD	75,782.81	
State LGIP Funds - Fireworks Bonds	10,085.58	
State LGIP Funds - Fire & Rescue Equip Reserve	7,308.48	
TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS	<hr/>	374,077.36

ALL TOWN BANK ACCOUNTS

\$1,076,022.21

The Treasurer's Report was APPROVED ON A LECUS/GESZVAIN MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

Bills paid from May 23, 2017 – June 26, 2017 = \$96,183.41 were **APPROVED ON A GESZVAIN/LECUS MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

Minutes from previous meeting were **APPROVED WITH A FEW MINOR CHANGES, ON A GESZVAIN/LECUS MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

SHERIFF'S REPORT:

Sgt. Mattke reported that the 108th Street Rubbish Complaint is being cleaned up. There were no burglaries in the Town for the month of May; and, there was only one theft of a license plate at the Auto Auction. Other than those items, May was a quiet month.

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

1) Fire Department Business:

a. Discussion/Decision regarding Ambulance Billing Rates:

Chief Smith stated that right now, the Town is under the rate that Medicare is willing to pay. Lifequest (the billing company for the Town), has suggested raising the rates \$300.00. Of that \$300.00, \$150.00 is for "consumables", ie, oxygen masks, etc.

He also stated that, if a Town resident doesn't have insurance, the department can negotiate the cost. However, Chief Smith has never had a "hardship" case from a Town resident.

Chairman Kastenson felt that the Town residents already pay for the rescue department through their Town taxes. He doesn't feel the rates should be increased at all.

Chief Smith stated that there is an increase in drug costs. Those drugs needs to be replaced.

Assistant Chief Kevan Leedle felt that it is irresponsible if the Town doesn't raise the rates to what Medicare is willing to pay.

Supervisor Loppnow feels that if Medicare is willing to pay, then, we should be raising the rates.

Chief Smith stated that the different rate between a resident and non-resident cannot be greater than 30%.

Supervisor Ryan feels that, in the long run, this will remove some of the burden of paying for the department, from the tax payers.

ACCEPT LIFEQUEST RECOMMENDATION OF RAISING THE RATES, MADE ON A LECUS/Ryan MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 4-1, WITH CHAIRMAN KASTENSON IN OPPOSITION.

b. Update regarding sale of Tender 461:

Chief Smith reported that the vehicle sold for \$7975.00.

c. Discussion/Decision regarding where the money will go for the sale of Tender 461:

APPROVE DEPOSITING THE MONEY FROM THE SALE INTO THE FIRE/RESCUE EQUIPMENT RESERVE FUND, MADE ON A LECUS/GESZVAIN MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

2) Storm Water Utility District:

UPDATES

Supervisor Ryan reported that they are working on things they would like to do this year.

3) Plan Commission Business:

a. Soil Disturbance: Wesley & Carley Holtz – 7960-Boldt Drive:

SINCE NO ONE WAS PRESENT FOR THIS MATTER, IT WAS TABLED ON A LECUS/LOPPNOW MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

b. Soil Disturbance: John Ehlers – 3455-51st Street:

Mr. Ehlers was present for the meeting. He stated that he brought in 10 extra loads of dirt in to his property in for aesthetic purposes – he wants to put up a few berms; he will not need to bring in any more dirt.

Engineer Stamborski stated that he met with Mr. Ehlers on the site. There will be no drainage or erosion control issues. Mr. Stamborski has no issues with what he is proposing to do there.

Chairman Kastenson said that the problem came when Mr. Ehlers pulled his building permit – there was a questionnaire; and Mr. Ehlers checked that he wasn't going to disturb more than 10,000 square feet; but, in actuality, you did disturb more than that.

MOTION TO TABLE, MADE ON A LECUS/LOPPNOW MOTION.

Chairman Kastenson said that he would guess that the Town could actually approve this, but, put a \$5000.00 road bond on the project. There has already been some damage done to the road.

There was a suggestion to double the permit fee, to \$300.00.

MOTION TO TABLE WAS RESCINDED ON A LECUS/LOPPNOW MOTION.

MOTION TO REMOVE STOP WORK ORDER; LEAVE PERMIT FEE AT \$150.00; AND HAVE MR. EHLERS PUT AN ADDITIONAL ROAD BOND OF \$4000.00 (he has already put down a \$1000.00 Bond); BEFORE COMMENCING WORK, MADE ON A LOPPNOW/GESZVAIN MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

c. Soil Disturbance: Daniel Oakes – Highway K & the West Frontage Road:

Mr. Oakes was present for the meeting.

Rita Michel asked if any of the stock piling that is being done will affect the surrounding wells?

Mr. Oakes said that it would not.

APPROVE PLAN COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL WITH THE FOLLOWING STIPULATIONS:

ONLY ENTERING OFF OF FRONTAGE ROAD

HOURS OF OPERATION: MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM

SATURDAY 7:00 AM – NOON

NO HOURS ON SUNDAY

NO SLAMMING TAILGATES

MAINTAIN DUST CONTROL

THIS APPROVAL IS ONLY FOR PHASE #2

THERE WILL BE NO "JAKE-BREAKING"

ALLOW TOWN ENGINEER TO VISIT THE SITE WHEN HE FEELS NECESSARY

ON A LECUS/LOPPNOW MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

Mr. Oakes stated that in Phase 1 & 2, there will be 200 pine trees planted. In Phase #3, there will be 300 pine trees planted.

4) Town Business:

a. Discussion/Decision regarding roofing for Town Hall:

Mr. Rick Leitel, from FJA Christiansen was present for the meeting. He gave the Board members information regarding maintaining the roof of the Town Hall. He also suggested having regular maintenance done. By having this work done now, it could prolong the life of the roof for an additional ten years.

Chairman Kastenson asked if the Board approves this now, when could work be started? He would like it started after the 4th of July.

Mr. Leitel said that it would probably be the second or third week of July.

APPROVE HAVE THE TOWN HALL ROOF REPAIRED AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$10,907.00, MADE ON A LECUS/LOPPNOW MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

b. Discussion/Decision regarding waiving Permit Fees for Shed / John Strueder:

Mr. Strueder was present for the meeting. He recently lost a shed in a storm. That shed was only seven years old. He doesn't feel he should have to pay for replacement.

Supervisor Loppnow feels that it is ridiculous the price for a shed permit.

APPROVE WAIVING THE TOWN PORTION OF THE BUILDING PERMIT FEE, MADE ON A GESZVAIN/LECUS MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

c. Operator Licenses Pending Clear Record Check:

Rebecca Grindley

Norma Benavente

John Theys

Jeffrey Niles

Douglas Kluth

Mark Venne

Deborah Venne

APPROVED ON A LECUS/LOPPNOW MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

AT 8:45 PM, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED ON A LECUS/LOPPNOW MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda M. Terry

Town Clerk

Town of Raymond