

## **SPECIAL MEETING – JUNE 6, 2011**

On Monday, June 6, 2011, the Town Board of the Town of Raymond, held a Special Meeting. Chairman Kastenson called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Roll call was taken as follows: Present were, Chairman Kastenson; Supervisors, Joseph Pohlhammer; Paul Ryan; Stan Bugnacki; and James Phillips. Also present were, Town Clerk, Linda M. Terry; Town Department of Public Works Foreman, John Ertl; and Town Engineer, Chris Stamborski.

### **Public Comment:**

#### **Bob Flasz:**

At the annual meeting, he asked what the Town had spent on the Root River clean-out. He received the total amount that was spent, and was told that if he wanted additional information, that he would need to fill out a Public Records Request Form. He does not feel that is necessary; he feels that either the Town doesn't know the answer, or they do not want to give the answer. The Town is now going to be starting another project and they should get sworn statements for proposals. All of this information should be accessible.

You now have a couple of new board members, and they were elected by the people. If they bring up topics, they should be discussed.

#### **Mr. Janowitz:**

On June 20, Racine County, will be acting on a rezoning request for property that is adjacent to his. The rezone is from A2 to P2 for the purpose of soccer fields, concession stand, etc. He stated that the notice has his address as the property asking for rezoning – he would like to state on record that he is not requesting the rezoning, and that he is opposed to this rezoning.

Chairman Kastenson stated that, at the June 20<sup>th</sup> meeting, Racine County will allow him to speak. The Chairman suggested that he attend that meeting.

#### **Joe Heinrichs:**

Stated that he circulated a petition for Waukesha Road. He said that the people were not interested in widening the road and ditch; but would like wider shoulders.

### **1. Discussion/Decision regarding Waukesha Road**

Chairman Kastenson stated that he would like to clear the air about rumors that were going around town. He received two phone calls this past weekend from people that heard from one of the Town Supervisors, that the Town had spent \$30,000.00 on RA Smith's engineering of the Waukesha Road project thus far. He asked Chris Stamborski what the cost was.

Mr. Stamborski stated that to date, RA Smith has been paid \$5750.00 for this project. If this project has to be re-designed, it will cost additional monies, otherwise, it is pretty much done.

It was asked how much was the cost of the survey?

Mr. Stamborski said the cost of the survey was approximately \$2000.00. The remainder of the money paid to RA Smith, includes Mr. Stamborski's time in attending four meetings regarding Waukesha Road.

Supervisor Pohlhammer questioned the location of the South end of Waukesha Road.

Mr. Stamborski said that it was located at the North side of the radius. You can see where the lathe was located. Where the road curves, the road is in the right-of-way.

Chairman Kastenson said that the reason that this Board agreed to 11 foot lanes was because the Town Board works with the School Board; and, the school had requested that when the Town does roads, that they consider wider roads for safety purposes. The difference between 11 foot lanes and 10 foot lanes is \$20,000.00. He also stated that there are names of people on the petition that have attended earlier meetings when this project was discussed. However, they never mentioned not wanting 11 foot lanes at that time. He wishes they would have brought their concerns up then.

Supervisor Pohlhammer said that the Town Board still has the option to make it wider.

Supervisor Ryan asked if we would be encroaching on anyone's private property?

Mr. Stamborski said that some of the ditches are already in the right-of-way; those won't change.

Supervisor Ryan asked if the DPW could get the job done yet this year?

Mr. Ertl said that if the project proceeds as proposed, it will not get done this year.

Supervisor Pohlhammer asked what will be done with the ditching? There are 10 driveway culverts that are questionable and 10 that need to be replaced.

Supervisor Phillips motioned to have 10 foot lanes with 2 foot shoulders and driveways; seconded by Supervisor Ryan.

Discussion Followed:

Supervisor Bugnacki asked if the Town would need to replace culverts?

Mr. Ertl said, "yes, in certain areas."

Supervisor Pohlhammer asked about 2 foot gravel shoulders?

Mr. Stamborski stated that, where there is no shoulder now, there won't be after the project either.

Mr. Stamborski went on to say that the cost estimate that he provided to the Board included a 15% "what if" factor – this is approximately \$40,000.00 of the estimate. He added this figure as a worst case scenario in the event unforeseen things happened. The estimate that Supervisor Pohlhammer requested from Nielsen, Madsen & Barber, did not have that "what if" factor added in. In RA Smith's paperwork, there is no money in there for grading – the Town's DPW is doing the work.

Supervisor Pohlhammer asked what would be included in the bids?

Mr. Stamborski said that pulverizing, regrading, etc would be bid out – any ditching and preparation work would be the responsibility of the Town's DPW.

Chairman Kastenson asked if they hit a "soft spot", can the Town's DPW fix it?

Mr. Stamborski would prefer that the contractor correct it.

Supervisor Pohlhammer asked about the driveway culverts? What do we do with those? Where are we going to get the time to do that?

Mr. Stamborski said that, that is for the Town to decide. It could be done separate of this proposal.

Supervisor Pohlhammer went on to say that he feels that the estimate was based on incorrect information regarding the width of the road.

Chairman Kastenson said that Mr. Stamborski based his estimate on the information that he was given by the Town's DPW. He also stated that the Town does not presently pay for any other driveway culverts.

**RESCIND PREVIOUS MOTION FROM THE MAY 9<sup>TH</sup> MEETING, "TO AUTHORIZE THE BIDDING TO PROCEED FOR THE PROJECT, BASED ON THE ENGINEER'S ITEMIZED SCHEDULE FOR THE FULL PROJECT TO BE DONE", MADE ON A PHILLIPS/RYAN MOTION. Motion Carried.**

Supervisor Pohlhammer asked what grade asphalt was being used for the project?

Mr. Stamborski said it would be DOT standard. The quality is controlled by the Department of Transportation. The amount of asphalt being used is determined by the tickets that are collected at the site. At any time, you could go there to watch the project.

Supervisor Pohlhammer asked what grade would it be if this was a DOT mix?

Mr. Stamborski said it would be a Super Pave Mix; which is a Town Roadway Mix. Again, this is all dictated by the Department of Transportation.

Supervisor Pohlhammer would like to be provided daily reports; he would also like to see a tonnage report for asphalt. He also asked what if there is a discrepancy? Also, what are the rates that RA Smith charges; is it necessary to have an engineer; what about soft spots in the road?

To all of those questions/comments, Mr. Stamborski stated that reports can and will be given; tonnage is reported by the tickets; a field quality report will be done. Again, tonnage is verified at the end of the job, but quality control is done regularly. If there is a discrepancy, it is usually in favor of the Town; however, if not, it is typically 1%. RA Smith charges between \$65.00 and hour to \$85.00 an hour for engineering services, depending on who is on the site. The Town would probably spend \$4000.00 for inspection purposes – one person and it would probably be done within a week's time. He also stated that there is no engineering being done to build a new road. As far as the soft spots – it would still be covered under the contingency amount that Mr. Stamborski put in his price. Provided that the road is done in July or August, it should be fine. We want to make sure the road drains.

Chairman Kastenson asked if ditching could be done every 100 feet or so to make sure that there is drainage.

Mr. Ertl said that much of this will depend on the weather.

**APPROVE HAVING R.A. SMITH PURSUE BIDS FOR 10 FOOT LANES AND 2 FOOT SHOULDERS, WHERE POSSIBLE, AND FIX UP THE DITCHES WHERE NECESSARY, MADE ON A PHILLIPS/BUGNACKI MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 4-1, WITH SUPERVISOR POHLHAMMER OPPOSING.**

Chairman Kastenson would like Mr. Ertl to make sure that the cross culvert is done first.

Supervisor Pohlhammer asked about the driveway culverts – 10 need to be replaced and 10 are iffy.

Supervisor Phillips asked what kind of criteria Mr. Pohlhammer used when making this determination?

Supervisor Pohlhammer said that he looked at them when he drove past them. He also said that some of the culverts were protruding above the asphalt.

Mr. Stamborski said that is not the Town's fault – he doesn't feel the Town should be responsible for replacement.

Supervisor Phillips stated that, that sort of problem could happen anywhere.

Supervisor Ryan would prefer going with a wider road; however, due to the fact of budget and time constraints, we will have to go with the 10 foot lanes.

Chairman Kastenson agrees with Supervisor Ryan. He also stated that if this project would have been approved for a State Grant, it would have to be the width that the State dictates.

**At 8:30 PM, the meeting was ADJOURNED ON A PHILLIPS/Ryan MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Linda M. Terry  
Town Clerk**