

**TOWN OF CHICOG**  
Town Board Meeting  
April 12, 2017

1. The Town Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman Patrick Wilcox at 7:02 pm at the Town Hall.
2. Pledge of allegiance was recited.
3. Roll call: All Officers present but Steve Loiselle.
4. **Treasurer's Report** was given as follows all balances as of March 31, 2017
  - Checking Account: Beginning balance - \$25,721.195, outstanding checks - \$2,657.53, Final working balance - \$23,063.66 includes interest of \$2.52
  - Money Market Account: \$389,152.48 includes interest of \$212.86
  - Highway Equip. Maintenance Account - \$1,222.96, includes quarterly interest of \$5.83
  - Tax Account - \$511.28, includes quarterly interest of \$148.74
5. **Chairman's Report:**
  - a. Thank you to all those that showed interest and attended the Meet the Candidate's Event, sat. April 1<sup>st</sup>, and to all the candidates that participated in this year's elections
  - b. Road weight limit restrictions have been lifted for the Town of Chicog's roads as of 4/11/17 although Washburn County's restrictions will remain in effect until 4/17/17.
  - c. Road construction season has started with an emergency culvert replacement and minor graveling on Rappley Road
  - d. Storm Water permitting has been applied for and work will be commencing on Byrkit Rd. for a reconstruct project starting tomorrow, Apr 13<sup>th</sup>. Preliminary removal of trees and brush has been started earlier and it looks to be a busy construction season.
  - e. The annual road survey should bring out our priority projects. There is always a never ending battle as to what needs to be done.
  - f. the security lights on the Maintenance building have been replaced and it should be obvious to anyone driving by at night, they make our Hall lights look very dim.
6. **Correspondence:**
  - A. From Carol Buck, Emergency Management & USDA RHS, there are loans and grants available for repairs to you septic systems from damage due to cold weather to qualifying participants.
  - b. Wisconsin Towns Association, Town Officials work ship for continuing and new officials: Tues May 9<sup>th</sup> at Rice Lake & Wed. May 10<sup>th</sup> at Cable, both times are 8am to 3:35pm
  - c. A request to the Board for consideration on adopting Manotick Lane off of Bluebird Lane as a town road. I believe as a post development Manotick was built to town road standards.

## 7. Review of Truck Proposals:

I would like to thank Scott McDowell for managing the paperwork and handling the contacts on this project;

### a. Bids for 2018 Chassis:

1. Boyer - \$92,304.00
2. Western Star - \$96,741.00
3. Channing Lokken River States Truck & Trailer - \$94,872.00
4. Mid-State - \$98,864.80 with a trade in of \$12,000.00
5. Meyers International - \$92,014.20

### b. Bids to outfit the truck without add-ons:

1. Universal - \$66,200.00
2. Monroe - \$62,848.00

Discussion followed between Board and representatives from Mid-State, Monroe & Universal.

c. Motion made by Bruce Johnston and seconded by Pat Wilcox to accept Mid-State's quote on chassis. Motion passed

d. Motion made by Bruce Johnston and seconded by Pat Wilcox to accept the bid by Monroe to outfit the truck with the add-ons of \$10,805.00. Motion passed.

8. Holden Benefit: There is a benefit for Ryley Holden an Afghanistan war veteran on April 23, 2017 from 1 – 4 pm at Tony's Riverside in Spooner. A request has been made by Terri & Doc Corrie that the Town donates to this benefit: Motion made by Pat Wilcox and seconded by Bruce Johnston to donate \$100.00 to the benefit. Motion passed.

## 9. Committee Reports:

### a. Fire Department – Brad Harrison:

1. We had elections last Wednesday April 5, 2017 here is the outcome:

Fire Chief: Jim Fransheski

Assistant Fire Chief: Scott McDowell

Captain – Cody Helstern

Lieutenant/Safety Officer – Lacy Erickson

Training Officer – now a committee: Jim Fransheski, Scott McDowell & Cody Helstern

Secretary – Cathy McDowell

Treasurer – Brad & Betty Harrison

2. There will be a controlled burn on Zehm Road April 19, 2017 weather permitting.

3. There are about 40 HIZ's left to do.

4. Don't forget we will have a Summer Event on July 29, 2017.

5. There were 3 new fire fighters that signed up at the last meeting. The Fire Department could still use more fighters.

6. Next week is National Tornado/ Sever Weather Week. There will be a mock drill on Monday the 17<sup>th</sup>.

7. We are still dry out there please be careful when you burn.

8. Zebra mussels are in Washburn County lakes now. The Fire Department has information on what you can do to prevent the spread of them. Washburn Lakes & River Association will be addressing this in their May meeting.

At this time I would like to Thank Brad Harrison for all the hard work and time he has given to the Chicog Volunteer Fire Department as Fire Chief.

b. ESG – Milly Thissen –

1. Updated list for all the ESG phone callers is still being worked on will have it out soon.
2. The ESG needs to be provided with a list of where the Red Flags are now at.

c. CAFC – Terri Corrie – We will be having a Wildfire Preparation Day event on May 6, 2017. This will be a “Firewise” run. The run will be from 10am – 12pm. Maps of the stations will be available at the town Hall starting at 9:30am and will also be available at all the stations. Please come & join us.

10. Public Input:

A. Caroline Kamin: Will the ladies of the Town get to pick the color of the new truck?

Pat Wilcox: No

B. As this is Bruce Johnston’s last night I would like to thank him for his 9 years of serving on the Board. I appreciate all the work and time he has given to us.

11. The next Town Board Meeting will be May 10, 2017

12. The Annual Meeting will be April 20, 2017 at 7pm.

19. Motion made by Bruce Johnston and seconded by Pat Wilcox to approve and pay bills/checks numbers

-0717 thru -0817 and 10019 thru 10049. Motion passed.

20. Motion made by Bruce Johnston and seconded by Pat Wilcox to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed

21. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.