

TOWN OF CHICOG
Town Board Meeting
November 8, 2017

1. The Town Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman Patrick Wilcox at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall.
2. Pledge of allegiance was recited.
3. Roll call: All Officers present.
4. **Treasurer's Report** was given as follows all balances as of October 31, 2017
 - Checking Account: Beginning balance - \$205,141.69, outstanding checks - \$165,630.46, Final working balance - \$39,511.23 includes interest of \$4.91
 - Money Market Account: \$388,597.32 includes interest of \$259.12
 - Highway Equip. Maintenance Account - \$3,127.95
 - Tax Account - \$511.43
5. **Chairman's Report:**
 - a. On October 24, 2017 at the Washburn County Board Meeting in Shell Lake the conditional use permit was granted by the Board to American Rehab Campus. This does not mean that Heartwood conference has sold.
 - b. The new dump/Plow truck was to have arrived last Thursday, Nov 2nd but in route from Marshfield to Eau Claire seems the light bar came loose and caused damage to the top of the cab. Repairs have been completed and the truck is scheduled to arrive here sometime tomorrow.
 - c. Our tractor and boom Mower are operational but we've had a minor mishap and ended up replacing a door glass.
 - d. Snow season/plowing is soon to be upon us. It has been Town policy to plow in excess of 2 – 2 ½ in of cover. Also Salting & Sanding of private drives, I believe it was charged at \$35.00 per standard driveway and \$50.00 per commercial drive & extended drives. Please make appointments by calling the Town Hall so we don't have to make separate runs!!!
 - e. Please make a note: The Town of Chicog is under Washburn County Zoning regulations: whether by not knowing or sheer ignorance to the fact you are required to be aware of any and all regulations of zoning if you choose to ignore these requirements then I say so sad to bad, fines will be incurred and some can be quite costly.
6. **Correspondence:**
 - a. Made a call to Washburn County Zoning about a trailer on Bridge Road that had no permits when moved to the property. The owners received a notice from Zoning with a \$600.00 fine if it was not moved. The owners moved the trailer back into the woods and have partly torn it apart. Zoning has been notified and now states that it is not their problem by now falls under Health & Human Services. Health & Human Services has told us we have to contact the Town's attorney. Zoning is good for somethings but not all things. Please be advised that you still need to apply for and get your permits.

b. I received documents from an unnamed sources (my choice), in regards to noise ordinances. I believe this will be one of the next upcoming hot issues. My response today is I see both sides of the coin!!! Watch out for the finger you point unless you're perfect. I do agree though and have known for some time now that this day as well as others have and will come. Let's work on this correctly one way or another people will be affected. The Board will gather information from other Washburn County municipalities on their noise ordinance. After writing one up for the Town we will have the Town's Attorney look at it.

c. Steve Loiselle received a call about the plowing of Manotick Lane. The resident on that land wanted to know if we plow it normally and if not can we plow the Lane for a fee. No the Town does not plow this road, this is a private drive. We will not plow for a fee. Steve to contact resident with decision and names of private contractors that plow.

7. Approval of 2018 Town Budget:

a. Several budgets were presented to the Board based from the previous budget meeting. The differences in all the presented budgets were in the Highway and Contingency/Emergency Expense lines.

b. Motion made by Steve Loiselle and seconded by Darcee McCauley to approve budget #4. Motion passed.

8. Town Hall Rental Contract:

a. The contract was discussed with several changes made. These changes will be made with the contract then sent to the town's attorney to make sure we are legal.

9. Committee Reports:

a. **Fire Department**:-Brad Harrison

1. We are holding even with Fire Department Members, still need more
2. There was a false alarm at Heartwood the other day.
3. The surrounding area has been busy if several calls this fall.
4. The Fire Department has placed 9 out of the 10 CO2/fire alarms for the ESG community project. Hope to have the last one down before Nov 18th.

b. **ESG** – Milly Thissen:

1. Hunter's Feed: tickets are still available. We still need volunteers and donated food. Please call Milly Thissen if you wish to help.
2. The Walkabout is canceled for Dec 7, 2017 due to the Town Hall floor being striped & waxed. We will start on Dec 14th, see you then.
3. The library is up and going, please stop by and check it out. Pat Wilcox has received several compliments on the library from town residents.

c. **CAFC** - Terri Corrie: the CAFC would like to thank all the volunteers that showed up to help clean-up a CAFC property and make it more firewise. We had 14 volunteers that hauled enough brush and timber that it took the Town 5 hours to pick it all up. Thank You so very much.

10. Public Input:

- a. Steve Jonas: There is a recall on fire extinguishers is the town putting out the information to the residents. The Town will put the information out on the website; Milly Thissen is putting the information in her upcoming article for the paper.
- b. Town Chairman to the Board Supervisor I need your input for the Town Tax letter.

11. The next Town Board Meeting will be December 13, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

12. Motion made by Steve Loiselle and seconded by Darcee McCauley to approve and pay bills/checks numbers: -2317 thru -2417 and 10209 thru 10217 and 10219 thru 10238. Motion passed.

13. Motion made by Steve Loiselle and seconded by Darcee McCauley to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed

14. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.