

**OFFICE OF THE CLERK
TOWN OF TREMPEALEAU
TREMPEALEAU COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

**MINUTES OF THE 10/11/2012
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Chairman Wayne Wilber called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. All members were present.

Open meeting certification laws were met. David Prondzinski moved to adopt the agenda, Dennis Bortle seconded and the motion carried.

Public Comments. –

- Several people signed up to speak on the corn cannon issue. They will be allowed to speak when that agenda item comes up.

David Prondzinski moved to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2012 regular meeting; Dennis Bortle seconded and the motion carried with a voice vote.

Doris Dahl, Clerk/Treasurer reported a balance as of September 30, 2012 of \$100,059.18 in checking and \$358,420.66 in the money market account for a total of \$458,479.84.

The Board reviewed the vouchers for September 14, 2012 through October 11, 2012. David Prondzinski moved to pay all bills, Dennis Bortle seconded and the motion carried.

Building Permits.

- Phil Wernert presented a permit to build storage units on his property at W24333 St Rd 54/93. Wayne Wilber moved to approve the permit; David Prondzinski seconded. The motion carried with a voice vote.

The building inspector contract with Bud Raymer expires December 31, 2012. Rod Stenulson, building inspector for Trempealeau County, answered questions about the county's program. The board will study both and discuss again next month.

Gas corn cannons:

- Pat Egge – thought the gas corn cannons were only for berry and grape crops. He is annoyed with them going off early and late and feels sorry for the Kriesels living right next to it.
- Kent Grover – lives across the river on the Minnesota side and can hear them.
- Bob Williams – they start early and go late and was wondering about issuing a citation for disturbing the peace.
- Fred Mann – write up an ordinance and confiscate the cannons is violate the ordinance.
- Pat Kriesel – stated they drive on her property to put up the cannons.
- Rob Hirschboeck –stated that if there are real problems with birds then all the farmers would be using them.
- Scott Good – also annoyed with the length of time they are going off.
- Valerie Pierzina – asked about whether an ordinance was received from another municipality that she asked about at another meeting. They did not have one.

- Mark Delaney – stated he used them for a while but quit about 25 years ago, but used them in a neighbor friendly way. He did understand why Klein’s used them for their sweet corn crop.

Dennis Bortle asked the Kriesel’s about filing a harassment suit. The Board will contact their attorney and see if something can be done.

A letter was received from GNP Company asking the Board to sign an agreement allowing overweight trucks to travel on the town roads. Legislation was passed last year authorizing the DOT to issue overweight permits for vehicles transporting agricultural products. The Trempealeau County Unit of the Wisconsin Town’s Association will be discussing this at their meeting on October 23. Will put this on the agenda for next month.

A request was received from Lois Larson, manager of Perrot Park, for the purchase of salt/sand mixture for the 2012/2013 winter season. David Prondzinski moved to allow the purchase of the mixture at the rate the county would charge; Wayne Wilber seconded. The motion carried with a voice vote.

The board reviewed the health insurance bids received. David Prondzinski would like more clarification on the Health Traditions premiums. The clerk will contact Ed Sagen and bring the information to the next meeting.

The 2013 budget was reviewed. David Prondzinski made a motion to put \$40,000 from the road construction account into the equipment money market account; Wayne Wilber seconded. The clerk will transfer the funds.

Building Issues –

- Dan Baer will start repairs on the walk-in cooler October 22, 2012.
- Down spouts were added to the gutters on the community center.
- Check into wiring the fire alarm system to the phone lines for automatic calling to the 911 system

Correspondence –

- The Trempealeau County Unit of the Wisconsin Towns Association will meet on October 23 at the Town of Albion Town Hall.
- The Badger Transmission lines will not be coming through the Town.
- CapX20/20 will begin construction in 2014. They will be contacting residence starting early 2013 for land acquisition.
- David Prondzinski reported the STCSWC will be issuing revenue sharing checks the first week of November.

The next meeting is set for Thursday, November 8, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. The 2013 Budget hearing will start at 7:00 followed by the Town meeting to follow to set the levy.

Wayne Wilber moved to adjourn the meeting; Dennis Bortle seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Doris Dahl,
Clerk/Treasurer