

**REGULAR MEETING
MINOCQUA BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
August 6th, 2019**

A regular meeting of the Minocqua Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Mark Hartzheim at 6:00 p.m. on August 6th, 2019 in the Board Room of the Minocqua Center.

Present were: Chairman Mark Hartzheim, Supervisors Billy Fried, Sue Heil, Bill Stengl and John Thompson, Roben Haggart, Town Clerk, Mark Pertile, Director of Public Works and Lieutenant Jason Benbenek, Minocqua Police Department.

Motion by Stengl, seconded by Thompson to approve the agenda. Voice vote: Motion carried.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Stengl to approve the minutes from the Regular Town Board Meetings held on July 16th, 2019. Voice Vote: Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

BOLGER ROAD/MCCOY ROAD

Director of Public Works Mark Pertile updated the board on the status of Bolger Lake Road and McCoy Road.

Bolger Lake Road: Much of the approximately ¼-mile segment at the end of the road is deteriorated. Continuing to patch and repair is only a band aid and is costly. Pertile would like the board to look at a longer-term solution. Options include: pulverize & gravel existing surface (appx. \$10,000 to \$15,000); chip seal (approx. \$18,000); and asphalt paving which would be the most expensive option. Pertile's recommendation is to pulverize and gravel in the spring, as a new gravel surface would be better than what's there now. The board agreed to have the initial pulverizing and graveling done in the spring and to consider where a more permanent solution may fit into the road plan when preparing the budget this fall. Pertile stated that there are other roads out there in more immediate need of attention.

McCoy Road: Ned Greedy and Charles Buchheit, McCoy Road residents, were present. They addressed the board with concerns that the road construction work that began in 2016 was not completed. They stated that the surface needs more gravel, there are a couple of sections where potholes develop after rains, there are tree trunks and stumps that need to be removed, and some drainage issues. Pertile explained that the road was widened at the owners' request, the corner was improved, cul-de-sac was widened and culverts were added/repared. The road is close to the town shop and Pertile is planning to complete the work with the town crew and town equipment as time allows. Pertile estimates that by the end of this season, he anticipates that the road work would be 95% complete. He believes the work involved would take 2-3 road crew members approximately 2 weeks to complete. He urged the board to continue to support him in the difficult task of managing the many road needs and priorities in the town.

SQUIRREL LAKE SPEED LIMIT REDUCTION

A request was received by the Squirrel Lake Owners Association to reduce the speed limit on Squirrel Lake Road. Michael & Marianne Kennedy were present and explained their view on the request for speed reduction. Phil Albert also weighed in agreeing that the speed limit should be reduced from 55 to 45 mph. There was also correspondence shared from several residents, including some in attendance, opposed to the speed limit reduction. Supervisor Thompson reminded everyone that several years back a similar request was received and the police ran radar out there and the majority of the drivers were going less than 55 mph. It was suggested that additional signage for curves and intersections be posted. Lieutenant Jason Benbenek offered to obtain some traffic data for the board to review by running radar.

Motion by Stengl, seconded by Heil directing Mark Pertile to add more traffic signs for curves and the Carter Road intersection and have the Minocqua Police Department provide a traffic study containing speed data. Motion Carried.

DRIVEWAY PERMIT – MEYERS/CAMPBELL

Director of Public Works, Mark Pertile, presented a Driveway Permit Application submitted by Mike Meyers, agent, for William Campbell, Owner, for approval to install a driveway to access pier system attached to MI 2344. Mike Meyers was present. The driveway would lead to a parking area to be used for a pier system that was installed on the property last year. Pertile marked the pavement where he would recommend approval for the board members to view. He explained that this application and approval is consistent with how he has approved other accesses in the past. Hartzheim stated that, based on the way the item was agendized, it specifically references the purpose being to access the pier system; he stated that the access point should be judged on its own merits and that he didn't want Oneida County or any other body reviewing the possible approval of this access as "tacit approval" for the pier system, which Oneida County Zoning had previously determined to be illegal. Meyers replied that it won't have any bearing on the legal case with the pier system.

Motion by Stengl, seconded by Thompson to approve the driveway permit application to allow access as allowed by Oneida County Planning & Zoning. Motion Carried. Again, it was stated that approval of the permit does not reflect the town's approval of the piers. This should be expressly stated to Oneida County.

HWY 51 CONSTRUCTION – BRIDGE TO NORTHERN ROAD

The WisDOT is planning future repairs on Highway 51 from the bridge south to approximately Northern Road. Mark Hartzheim & Mark Pertile have been in discussion with them regarding the retaining wall on the east side by the Pointe Hotel. Hartzheim & Pertile would like to see the wall pushed back and a sidewalk on the east be placed from the bridge to Manitou Park Rd. It is a safety concern for pedestrians. The DOT said they would consider moving the wall if the town would pay for part of it. The board would like figures before deciding on a cost share. Pertile just wanted to make the board aware of discussions and something to keep on their radar for future.

LIQUOR LICENSE – COUNTY LINE STATION

Clerk Roben Haggart presented a Class A Combination Liquor License application from Ritchie Lakeland Oil d/b/a County Line Station, Nancy Ritchie, agent, 11800 Highway 70 West (sale of property) for approval.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Stengl to approve as presented. Voice Vote: Motion Carried.

PICNIC LICENSE APPLICATION –MKLPA PIG ROAST

Clerk Roben Haggart presented a Picnic License application from the MKLPA for their pig roast on August 31st at Torpy Park for approval.

Motion by Heil, seconded by Stengl to approve as presented. Voice Vote: Motion Carried.

OPERATOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Clerk Roben Haggart presented an Operator License supplication from William Lemke for approval.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Stengl to approve as presented. Voice Vote: Motion Carried.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Stengl to adjourn meeting. Voice Vote: Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Roben Haggart
Town Clerk