

**MONTHLY MEETING – NOVEMBER 27, 2007**

On Tuesday, November 27, 2007, the Town Board of the Town of Paris held their regular monthly meeting, at the Paris Grade School. Chairman Gentz called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Present for the meeting were: Chairman Virgil Gentz; Supervisors Ron Kammerzelt and Ken Monson; Clerk/Treasurer, Linda Terry; Building Inspector, Frank Christensen; Fire/Rescue Chief, Bill Beetschen; and Town Attorney, John Knuteson.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes from previous meetings of 10/23/07; 11/13/07; and 11/20/07, were **APPROVED ON A MONSON/KAMMERZELT MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.**

The Treasurer’s Report was read as follows:

**General Account**

October 1, 2007	\$ 699,821.34
Plus: Deposits	\$ 273,673.43
Less: Checks Issued	\$ 678,854.90
Balance: October 31, 2007	\$ 294,639.87

**Investments:**

Chase Investment Accounts – 10/31/07	\$ 15,792,839.00
State Investment Pool - 10/31/07	\$ 278,074.45
Money Market Account – 10/31/07	\$ 2,825,338.55

The Treasurer’s Report was **APPROVED AS READ, ON A KAMMERZELT/MONSON MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.**

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

At this time, Frank Christensen stated that he was disappointed in the cement work that was done around the memorial. The committee met last week, and they were not happy with what they saw at the site. The committee then met with Chairman Gentz and a representative from Kenosha Grounds. Mr. Christensen would suggest cutting the curb off level to the black-top. He would also like to see a 34-36 inch wrought iron fence along the walkway; and the entrance should be made wider.

Supervisor Monson stated that the entryway is standard for handicap accessibility.

Chairman Gentz stated that the members of the committee weren’t happy. When this work was done, it was stated that there should only be so much pitch. To knock out the curb would be quite an additional expense. He would like to see the Board look at this and put it on hold until the Spring; or, go ahead and re-do it now.

Supervisor Monson doesn't care for the way the entryway looks either. He was afraid this would happen. He would like to wait until spring to have it redone. He would like to see a drawing or design of what is considered. He doesn't like the strip of grass between the bricks and the curb. He feels the Board should take it's time and do it right.

Supervisor Kammerzelt looked at the curb as well. He relied on Kenosha Grounds expertise for this matter. He doesn't think it looks right. Something should be done about this.

Chairman Gentz will be meeting with the committee on this matter.

Supervisor Monson would like the committee to bring some ideas to the Board.

Supervisor Kammerzelt said the committee should take pictures of it now before it snows.

#### **FIRE/RESCUE BUSINESS:**

##### **1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING REPAIRS ON 5515:**

Chief Beetschen stated that the mechanical work is done on 5515. The rig may be back to the department by Monday. The insurers have been in touch with the Chief regularly. The Insurer's final determination will be sent directly to the Board's attention.

##### **2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING TANKER ISSUES:**

Chief Beetschen reported that #5562 continues to leak. He has checked with Fouts Brothers from South Carolina on the possibility of a new rig. A new tanker with a poly tank will cost approximately \$140,000.00. He has checked several companies; as well as contacting several customers from Fouts; and he has heard very good reviews from everyone. Fouts will be sending the Chief specifications. He stated that this would be a pumper and a tanker; the only thing that he doesn't care for in the truck is an AM/FM radio – he doesn't want a radio in the truck; however, it comes standard in the vehicles.

Supervisor Monson asked why the vehicle has such a reasonable price; also, what about a warranty; and also, where would it go for repairs?

Chief Beetschen stated that it has a Kenworth Chasis, and the labor is much cheaper. As far as a warranty – it carries the same warranty as Pierce. Regarding repairs on the truck, the work would be done in Milwaukee.

##### **3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING CHIEF POSITION:**

Chief Beetschen submitted a description of the position to the Board Members.

Attorney Knuteson has reviewed the same and made a few changes.

It was suggested that the ad be placed at Gateway; Racine Journal Times; Burlington Standard Press; and the Kenosha News. It will run for two Sundays, starting December 2<sup>nd</sup>. The deadline for submitting letters of intent along with resume's will be December 31<sup>st</sup> at noon.

Clerk/Treasurer Terry suggested putting a smaller ad in the papers and referring applicants to check the Town's website for additional information on the position.

Chairman Gentz is not sure what the applicants should be required to have; he is also unsure about being interviewed by the fire department committee. He doesn't like the idea of people from the department being involved in picking the new chief.

**APPROVE POSTING THE POSITION OF FIRE CHIEF IN THE RACINE JOURNAL TIMES; KENOSHA NEWS; BURLINGTON STANDARD PRESS, MADE ON A KAMMERZELT/MONSON MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.**

**PLAN COMMISSION BUSINESS:**

- 1. REVIEW AND POSSIBLE RECOMMENDATION TO THE TOWN BOARD WITH REGARD TO CHAPTER 13 (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ELEMENT) OF THE MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR KENOSHA COUNTY.**

**TABLE THIS ITEM, MADE ON A MONSON/KAMMERZELT MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.**

**TOWN BUSINESS:**

- 1. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING HOUSE NUMBERING SYSTEM FOR THE TOWN: (previously tabled)**

**MOTION TO REMOVE FROM TABLE, ON A KAMMERZELT/MONSON MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.**

Supervisor Monson stated that he spoke to Supervisor Kammerzelt regarding the pricing of the signs, and whether or not signs could be found somewhere else cheaper.

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF 18" X 6"; 2-SIDED RED SIGNS WITH WHITE LETTERING WITH POWDER COATED GREEN POSTS, MADE ON A KAMMERZELT/GENTZ MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.**

- 2. CONSIDERATION OF NEW PLAN COMMISSION MEMBER:**

Chairman Gentz stated that he had spoken to Mr. Robert Frederick and he would like to continue on as Plan Commission Member. At this time, Chairman Gentz will not be replacing Mr. Frederick on the Plan Commission.

- 3. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION #11-27-07 – A RESOLUTION REQUIRING THE ROUTING OF ALL GEO-REFERENCED SUBDIVISION PLATS AND CERTIFIED SURVEY MAPS TO THE COUNTY LAND INFORMATION OFFICE UPON APPROVAL:**

Supervisor Kammerzelt stated that instead of a paper map with drawings, they give a disc; the cost would be borne by the developer.

**ADOPT RESOLUTION #11-27-07, MADE ON A KAMMERZELT/MONSON MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.**

- 4. APPROVAL OF SNOW PLOWING CONTRACT:**

The Town received two prices for snow plowing – one from J & N Lawn Care; and one from George's Snowplowing.

The quotes were as follows:

J & N Lawn Care: \$200.00 per snowfall; \$.30 per pound for salt; Sidewalk shoveling-\$50.00 – J & N will plow for 2 inches or more – salting only for less than 2 inches; sidewalk shoveling over 1 inch; sidewalk salting for less than 1 inch.

George's Snowplowing: \$150.00 per plowing; Salting \$10.00 per 80 pound bag (approx. 320 lb. to clean lot); will plow when snow reaches 3 inches and within three hours of snow accumulation; not

responsible for up-rooted landscape up to 15 feet from plowed surface; amount due on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month.

Supervisor Monson was concerned with George's not being responsible for uprooted landscaping; also questioned the "per plow" cost.

**MOTION TO APPROVE GEORGE'S SNOWPLOWING, WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES: PLOWING WOULD BE DONE AFTER "2" INCHES OF SNOW AND WITHIN "2" HOURS OF SNOW ACCUMULATION; THE COST WOULD BE "\$150.00 PER CLEANING"; AMOUNT DUE ON OR BEFORE "THE LAST DAY OF THE MONTH"; "SNOW TO BE STORED IN DISCUSSED AREA", MADE ON A KAMMERZELT/MONSON MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.**

**5. CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST BY "THE SHARING CENTER":**

Chairman Gentz stated that he would be willing to donate \$200.00 to the Sharing Center; Supervisor Monson motioned to donate \$500.00 ; this motion died for lack of a second.

Supervisor Kammerzelt stated that he doesn't think that it should be Town policy to donate anything – he would not vote for anything at this time.

Supervisor Monson stated that in the past, there have been families from the Town of Paris that have benefited from the Sharing Center.

**MOTION TO APPROVE A DONATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$250.00 TO THE SHARING CENTER, MADE ON A MONSON/GENTZ MOTION. Roll Call Vote as Follows: Gentz-aye; Monson-aye; Kammerzelt-naye; MOTION CARRIED 2-1.**

**6. CONSIDERATION OF OPERATOR'S LICENSES PENDING CLEAR RECORD CHECKS:**

**Antoinette Daniels Linda Hollingshead Brianne Giles Carrie Bishop**

**MOTION TO APPROVE BRIANNE GILES FOR ONE YEAR, MADE ON A MONSON/KAMMERZELT MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE ANTOINETTE DANIELS; LINDA HOLLINGSHEAD; AND CARRIE BISHOP FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS, MADE ON A MONSON/KAMMERZELT MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.**

**7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS ALLOWED BY LAW:**

**\*\*At this time, Chief Beetschen questioned the day room furniture.**

Supervisor Monson stated that one of the fire fighters had asked about looking for the furniture and setting it aside. He was told that he could do this.

**\*\*Clerk/Treasurer Terry stated that she would like to bring forward prices for blinds to the next Board meeting.**

Chairman Gentz stated that he would like to see the disposition of #5511 put on the next meeting agenda – he feels that we should put an ad in the paper for this truck.

Chief Beetschen stated that the person up north that was interested in #5511 would possibly be willing to train the Town's men on wild-land firefighting.

Chairman Gentz suggested that Chief Beetschen speak to the person.

Supervisor Monson stated that the Board members know how he feels regarding this matter – he felt that a vote was taken at a fire members' meeting, and they felt it was going to be donated to the department up north. The Town has previously given away a rescue squad that was worth something.

Attorney Knuteson stated that the Town is being protected if the department gets training in "trade" for the truck.

Supervisor Kammerzelt stated that he would not go back on his word – the department took a vote.

**\*\*Chairman Gentz stated that there will be a meeting regarding the frontage roads, at Mahone Middle School on December 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 – 8:00 pm.**

\*\*Supervisor Kammerzelt attended a Smart Growth Meeting; the intention is to preserve agriculture and promote economic development.

**AT 9:10 PM, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED ON A KAMMERZELT/MONSON MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

***Linda M. Terry  
Clerk/Treasurer  
Town of Paris***