### Special Meeting Minutes December 2, 2010

After proper posting a special meeting was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 2, 2010 at the Gilman Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Chairman Gary Peterson, Supervisors Richard Johnson and Mike Jacobson of Spring Lake Township and Chairman Mike Tully, Supervisors Hugh Hampton and Roger Timm of Cady Township.

Chairman Hanson stated the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the fire contract with the Village of Spring Valley. Richard Johnson presented some material he had put together about the Elmwood Fire Dept, who covers the other half of Spring Lake. He had a copy of their 2010 Financial Report, their 2011 Budget Proposal and a list of the municipalities covered by the Elmwood Fire Dept and the Spring Valley Fire Dept. He explained that they charge by Section in each municipality with a cost of \$416.46 for each of the 164 sections. Their total budget is \$68,300.

As discussion ensued, Clerk Thompson presented some figures she had put together on different ways of charging the municipalities, which included using population, using sections, using sections minus the village property that takes up some of the municipalities sections and the new method of charging the Village has in the new contract. She also presented a paper that showed various neighboring fire departments that showed the operating budget, debt service, area serviced, their funding formula and other information, plus a copy of the Ellsworth Fire Contract.

After much discussion regarding budgets, etc., Richard Johnson commented that no matter how you divide it out, the Spring Valley budget is too high and something should be done or said. Mike Tully asked how we get a vote and felt we definitely needed to get some representation on the budget.

It was decided that we needed to come to a unanimous agreement on what we should propose to the Village and let them know our wishes or we would look elsewhere for fire protection. After some more discussion, it was decided that Richard would get a copy of the Elmwood Fire Contract for each of the members and they could go through Elmwood and Ellsworth's contracts individually and indicate the things they liked and didn't like. It was decided that we needed to set a date to present our solution to the Village Emergency Committee before Spring Elections.

Richard Johnson suggested we meet again at Gilman on January 5, 2011 and each should be prepared to present their decisions on each of the fire contracts. If more meetings were needed we would meet as necessary.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Thompson, Gilman Clerk

### Budget Hearing November 17, 2010

The Budget Hearing was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 17, 2010 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Lorne Hanson, Supervisors Don Nellessen and Jim Traynor, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Sue Thompson, Dale Strom, Ken Ruppert, Andrea Wieland and Mike Wieland. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Copies of the budget were available for all. Hanson explained the Planning Commission charges and went through the budget and there were no questions or comments.

Ken Ruppert moved to adjourn the budget hearing, Andrea Wieland seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

# Special Meeting To Adopt Town Levy

Immediately following the Budget Hearing, Chairman Hanson called to order the Special Meeting to Adopt the Town Levy at 7:45 p.m. All members present at the Budget Hearing were present at this meeting.

Hanson indicated that he, the supervisors and treasurer were satisfied with their salaries, but felt with all the additional work for the clerk, she should have her salary increased to \$8000.00 per year. Ken Ruppert moved to approve the raise of the clerk's salary as stated, Andrea Wieland seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson explained that the most the town could levy this year was \$266,280, an increase of \$7755. He indicated that if we did not increase it, we would lose that amount each year and possibly some shared revenues. Nellessen commented that with the economy the way it is, we should not increase our levy. Mike Wieland complimented the town board of their modest spending and moved to adopt the town levy, Ken Ruppert seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson explained the need to approve spending over \$5000 per mile on roads. After a brief discussion, Ken Ruppert moved to approve expense of over \$5000 per mile, Andrea Wieland seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There being no further business Ken Ruppert moved to adjourn, Dale Strom seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

# Special Meeting to Adopt Town Budget

Immediately following the Special Meeting to Adopt the Town Levy, Hanson called the meeting to Adopt the Town Budget to order at 8:05 p.m. All present at previous meeting were present.

Nellessen moved to adopt the town budget, Traynor seconded and on oral vote motion carried.

There being no further business, Nellessen moved to adjourn, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

# Gilman Town Board Minutes November 10, 2010

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 10, 2010 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson, Supervisor Jim Traynor, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Dale Strom and Ken Ruppert. Absent was Supervisor Don Nellessen. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Traynor moved to approve the minutes of October 13, 2010 after correction of a couple of typing errors, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer Bartlett reported an ending balance of \$86,699.64. She indicated Shared Revenue was to come in November, but with the bills coming for flood damage, she asked if we needed to cash in one of the CD's. After discussion it was decided to wait until the December meeting to see if it was necessary. Traynor moved to approve the report, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Traynor moved to approve bills as printed with additional bills of \$179.14 to Kraemer Company, \$446.71 for tax stamps and postage and \$517.00 to Pierce County for the dog settlement, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

After discussion it was decided that Hanson was to contact Spring Lake and Cady and set up a meeting regarding the fire contract.

Bartlett presented an Exemption of Bond form for consideration. Traynor moved to approve exemption, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Since Nellessen was the supervisor who wanted a re-evaluation and he wasn't present, it was decided the clerk should contact our assessor and have her come to the December meeting and explain what a re-evaluation would do and the cost.

In reference to the road report, Strom reported he left cutting the grass to cut brush. He indicated that most of the bridge work was done, but still needed to fill in some rock on the end of the bridges. He expected to have a bill from Nick Brooke for the December meeting.

Hanson presented a bill for \$6160.37 from Pierce County Highway Dept. for a new culvert on Hwy 64 and 850<sup>th</sup> Ave. This culvert was on the state right-of-way and it was felt Gilman should not pay it. Hanson to talk to Chad at Pierce County about the bill.

Hanson presented a paper from Pierce County indicating that salted sand will be \$18.10 this year compared to last year's price of \$22.97.

Traynor moved to approve operator's licenses for Tracy J. Biggs, Megan E. Gunderson, Sarah M. Traynor and Tara Eschenback, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Their being no further business, Traynor moved to adjourn, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Thompson

### Gilman Town Board Minutes October 13, 2010

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 13, 2010 at the Town Hall. Present at the meting were Chairman Hanson, Supervisors Don Nellessen and Jim Traynor, Clerk Sue Thompson, Dale Strom and Ken Ruppert. Treasurer Richelle Bartlett was absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Traynor moved to approve the minutes after a correction indicating 10 miles were seal-coated instead of 6, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Traynor moved to approve the Special meeting minutes regarding flood damage aid as printed; Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer Bartlett left her report with the clerk to present indicating an ending balance of \$85,547.16. There was some discussion on the part-time patrolman about turning in their hours at least monthly. There being no further discussion, Traynor moved to accept treasurer's report, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Nellessen moved to pay all bills listed, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There was no public input.

In reviewing the fence viewing, it was decided that Thao needed to put in a proper end section, consisting of 2 posts and 1 steel brace at the end of Olson's fence and midway in the fence. Clerk to send letter to Olson & Thao about the recommendations of the Board and when work is completed submit a bill to Olson for \$1065.00.

Hanson reported no appointment had been made to the Planning Commission. They have several people they will be talking to.

Hanson submitted a bill for a culvert by Larry Hurtgen's and discussed maybe getting someone else to put in culverts, so they have a chance to settle before winter. He will talk to Nick Brooke about it.

In reference to the fire contract, it was decided Chairman Hanson should set up a meeting with Cady and Spring Lakes Board members to discuss options regarding methods of figuring obligations for each municipality.

A preliminary meeting to work on the budget was set for 7:00 p.m. on October 26<sup>th</sup> at Clerk Thompson's house with the Official Budget Hearing meeting on November 17, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Traynor moved to accept the operator license applications as presented by Clerk Thompson, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In the road report, Patrolman Strom indicated he needed some type of weights in the tractor tires when he's working on the back slopes. He had checked and found the following prices: Wheel weight are 107 pounds at \$150.00 each; Non-corrosive fluid cost \$750.00. After discussion, Traynor moved to use Non corrosive fluid, Hanson seconded and on roll call vote, Traynor, yes, Hanson, yes and Nellessen, no. Motion carried

Someone contacted Patrolman Strom and asked if they could haul the gravel out of the ditch which had washed from their driveway. Board said yes.

There being no further business, Nellessen moved to adjourn, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

# Gilman Town Board Minutes September 8, 2010

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 8, 2010 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson, Supervisors Don Nellessen and Jim Traynor, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Dale Strom and Andrea Wieland. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Traynor moved to approve the minutes as printed, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Bartlett reported an ending balance of \$258,394.16 which included the August tax settlement. Traynor moved to approve treasurer's report, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Thompson presented a list of bills with an additional bill from Robert Joles for \$3300.00 for painting the town shop. She also requested three checks for the election workers the next week. Nellessen moved to approve all bills and the three checks, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In public input, Wieland asked how many miles we had seal coated. Hanson indicated we'd done 10 miles, plus the town hall parking lot.

Since we have not gotten any information from the County, Nellessen moved to table the driveway ordinance until we hear from then, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson reported that garbage pickup by Murtha Brothers out of Baldwin would be approximately \$760.00 per month. Since this was more than we now pay, no action was taken.

With the additional costs for the flood damages, the possibility of an air conditioner was tabled until as later date.

Clerk Thompson presented charges for various items from the Dunn County Recycling and Pierce County Recycling. After discussion Traynor moved to charge \$25 for laptop & monitors, \$10.00 for printers and \$25 for microwaves at Big Dump Days, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

After some discussion about the flood damage, Nellessen moved to apply for WI Dept. of Transportation Flood Damage Aid and the Gary Brown Grant (Federal Aid), Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In reference to the road report, Hanson indicated they are still waiting for prices from Nick Brooke for repairing the bridges damaged. Strom indicated he needed all new tires on the truck and a front alignment. After discussion about all new tires or just some, Nellessen moved to get all new tires and get them aligned the same day, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson presented a request from Blia (Sami) Theo for fence viewers and compensation for building the fence. It was decided to view the fence at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 29, 2010. Attorney Loberg will draft letter to be sent to both parties involved.

Nellessen moved to approve all operator license applications, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson stated that Jennifer Mitchell had sold her land to Chuck Ford and he needed a copy of the driveway permit. Sorenson had already paid for a driveway permit, so he just issued a new form at no charge.

Chairman Hanson presented a letter from the fire department indicating the change of reverting back to the old method of assessing charges along with a copy of a new contract. The contract appears to be the same as the one we rejected before. No action taken.

Strom indicated we needed to ad a new culvert on 690<sup>th</sup> Ave by Aherns and a new one by LaVern Aamodt. After discussion Traynor moved to approve the new culverts, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Because of the flood damage costs, there was some discussion about borrowing money or using the CD we had. No action taken.

Thompson presented correspondence from Norman Bakke about a seminar on Adult Entertainment and a Land Management public hearing at Ellsworth. No one interested in going to either. She also indicated that she learned the insurance agency had been sold, but Steve Wickland, our agent and the agency itself, was still with the same companies. She also indicated

that they had sent us the refund check for our claim experience. Thompson also presented a letter she had received from the Wisconsin Republican Party asking for the name and number of all overseas or military absentee ballots requests. After discussion, it was decided that she had to reply to their request.

There being no further business, Nellessen moved to adjourn, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Thompson, Clerk

# Special Meeting Minutes September 16, 2010

After proper posting, a Special Meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 16, 2010 at the Town Hall by Chairman Hanson. Present at the meeting were Chairman Lorne Hanson, Supervisors Don Nellessen and Jim Traynor, Clerk Sue Thompson and Dale Strom, patrolman.

Hanson stated that the express purpose of the meeting was to submit a petition for Flood Damage Aid. They reviewed the petition presented and Traynor moved to submit it as written, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There being no further business, Traynor moved to adjourn, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

# Gilman Town Board Minutes August 11, 2010

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 11, 2010 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson, Supervisor Jim Traynor, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Ken Ruppert and Andrea Wieland. Supervisor Don Nellessen arrived at 7:45 p.m. and patrolman Dale Strom arrived about 8:45 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Hanson moved to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2010 meeting as printed, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Bartlett reported an ending balance of \$199,234.88. She also presented a list of delinquent dog licenses. Traynor and Lorne to check and report back on dogs. She also asked about reissuing a replacement check for Caroljean Coventree for a check from April, she never cashed. Board approved issuing replacement check. Traynor moved to accept treasurer's report, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

With an additional bill from Dale Strom for \$9.78 for couplers for the power washer, Nellessen moved to approve the bills as printed, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In Public Input, Ken Ruppert asked about the activity at the old Gilman School and wondered if someone is there. He stated it appeared they were cleaning up things. No one seemed to know anything about it.

Hanson reported he had talked to Murtha Sanitation but had not received any prices as yet. After discussion about curb side and dumpsters, Hanson is to get prices for both and report next month.

Since we did not have information from the County, Nellessen moved to postpone the decision on the driveway permit ordinance until we get the information from the county, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson presented prices from Robert Joles for painting the Town Shop as follows: Fixing all the rust spots and painting one color only, \$1500.00 or Prime all sides and one color only, \$2800.00. Nellessen moved to meet, decide on a color and go with the prime the whole building bid, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson advised that there was a possibility of an opening on the Planning Committee and asked for possible candidates. Larry Traynor was suggested. No action taken.

Patrolman Strom was still working due to the rain and floods from the night before, so there wasn't a road report. The Board did discuss the extensive damage to the roads.

Clerk Thompson presented the Fire Inspection Report and after discussion, Nellessen moved to get 2 exit lights for the shop. Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Thompson presented a letter from Cedar Corporation requiring Hanson's release signature to the fact that we were notified of any 2009 flood damage.

Hanson advised he had a request from Jennifer Mitchell for a small driveway permit allowing her to show her land for sale.

There being no further business, Traynor moved to adjourn, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

# Gilman Town Board Minutes July 14, 2010

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 14, 2010 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Supervisor Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Dale Strom and Ken Ruppert. Supervisor Traynor was home fixing fence after the storm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Hanson moved to approve the minutes from the June 8, 2010 meeting as printed, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer Bartlett reported an ending balance of \$195,331.40. Hanson moved to approve the treasurer's report, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Nellessen moved to approve bills printed with additional bills for \$5.23 from Pierce County for Dale's drug test and the Planning Commission per diems, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There was no public input.

Hanson reported about some garbage cans sitting out on the road for at least two weeks, so he called Paul's Industrial Garage about them. They informed him that the bill was not paid and they would not pick them up until it was paid. Since it was their containers he felt they should get them off the road. After discussion it was decided that Lorne should check with Murtha Brothers to see what they would charge to pick up our garbage.

Hanson reported he had heard nothing from the Village of Spring Valley about the fire contract. After some discussion about using equalized value and it's disadvantages and the fairness of maybe using population as a method. It was decided Hanson should talk to the other municipalities about it.

Hanson reported the bridge report rating was 52% on 750<sup>th</sup> Ave. by Maple Leaf Orchard, so it is not eligible for federal aid.

Since Traynor was not there for input, Nellessen moved to postpone the driveway ordinance discussion until next month, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Strom reported he had ordered the dust control. He also reported that with the strong winds and rain today, he and Traynor had been out cutting some of the trees blown onto the roads. Nellessen reported he had hauled some off some of the roads also along with some in people's yards.

Hanson moved to approve the operator's license application for Wendy Blodgett-Verdouw, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Strom informed the Board that he had to borrow some diesel fuel from Bruce Schutz when cutting up trees today. He asked if we could send a check to Bruce for 20 gallons of fuel at \$2.80 per gallon. Nellessen moved to approve the bill, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson asked if it was necessary to have ATV sign on all four corners of an intersection. After discussion it was determined that it was.

There being no further business, Nellessen moved to adjourn, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

# Gilman Town Board Minutes June 9, 2010

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson on Wednesday, June 9, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. at the Gilman Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Supervisors Traynor and Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Dale Strom, Ken Ruppert and Andrea Wieland. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Nellessen moved to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2010 regular meeting and the June 5, 2010 Board of Review meeting. Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer Bartlett reported an ending balance of \$212,960.64. Hanson moved to approve treasurer's report, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Traynor moved to approve list of printed bills and additional bills of \$156.00 from Countryside Coop for weed control and \$44.00 for Clerk Thompson for stamps. Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There was no Public Input.

Hanson reported he had heard nothing further from Sammie Thon about paying for the fence. Hanson felt we should do something and after discussion it was decided that Hanson should get a bill from Thon to send to the owner.

Hanson received a letter from Village of Spring Valley president, Marsha Brunkhorst, indicating that the Village was sending formal notice that the new fire contract was terminated and they were giving a two-year notice of termination of the old contract. It indicated it would expire 24 months after the date of the letter, which was June 4, 2010. After discussion it was decided Hanson should check with Attorney Loberg about ending the contract before it runs out, which is November 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

Clerk presented a list of items damaged in the break-in, the cost and what the insurance paid. Everything was covered except the \$250.00 deductible. Patrolman Strom suggested some type of security system. After discussion it was decided Dale should check on systems and prices.

In the road report, it was indicated that hopefully Monarch was going to shim 850<sup>th</sup> Ave. between 410<sup>th</sup> St. and Cty. Rd. BB. After discussion Nellessen moved to seal coat and additional two miles on 850<sup>th</sup> Ave from Cty. Hwy. BB to Cty. Hwy. B, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Dale indicated he still has some pot holes to fix. Hanson asked if Dale could do anything about the puddle by Chuck Sorenson's old house driveway. Dale indicated he would try. There was some discussion about driveway permits and it was decided our driveway ordinance needed to updated. Clerk to put on agenda for next month.

Clerk Thompson presented new operator license applications from Mary Hovde, Bradley Jorgenson, Amanda Hines and Jessie Shedore plus all operator renewal applications from Team Oil, Country Store & Gas and Red Barn Cafe. Traynor moved to approve all new and renewal operator licenses, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Thompson also presented renewal liquor license applications from Red Barn Cafe, Country Store & Gas and Team Oil and tobacco license renewals from Country Store & Gas and Team Oil. Nellessen moved to approve all liquor and tobacco licenses, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Chairman Hanson presented a letter to Donald Trent from Pierce Co. Land Management regarding unpermitted improvements and failing sewer system and the need for Mr. Trent to respond to Pierce County. He also presented a letter from Pierce Co. Land Management to James Bateman regarding a sanitary permit for proper sewage disposal.

There being no further business, Traynor moved to adjourn, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

# Board of Review Minutes June 5, 2010

After proper notice the 2010 Board of Review was called to order by Town Chairman Lorne Hanson at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 5, 2010 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Lorne Hanson, Jim Traynor, Don Nellessen, Sue Thompson and Assessor Kelly Owen.

Nellessen nominated Lorne Hanson as Chairman of the Board of Review, Traynor seconded. No further nominations and on oral vote, motion carried.

Clerk Thompson indicated that Lorne Hanson and Jim Traynor had been certified and she had sent the information to the state.

There were no constituents who appeared before the Board.

At 3:00 p.m., Traynor moved to adjourn, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

## Gilman Town Board Minutes May 12, 2010

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Hanson on Wednesday, May 12, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. at the Gilman Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Lorne Hanson, Supervisors Don Nellessen and Jim Traynor, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Dale Strom, Ken Ruppert, Larry L. Johnson, Mickey Mattison, Andrea Wieland and Ruth Esanbock. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

In the minutes presented for approval, Traynor pointed out that in the  $6^{th}$  paragraph, the word "out" should be changed to "how." With this correction, Traynor moved to approve the minutes as printed, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer Bartlett indicated an ending balance of \$220,200.76 which included highway aids of \$24,870.63. Traynor moved to accept treasurer's report, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In additional to the bills printed presented for payment, there were additional bill of \$808.06 from Pierce County for bridge inspection and \$86.00 for Lorne Hanson, for Big Dump TV's disposal and mileage. Traynor moved to approve all bills, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There was no public input.

In reference to the ATV ordinance revision, Hanson questioned Section 4 about riding on the paved part of the roadway. He felt that riding on the extreme right would put them on the shoulder, but it was pointed about riding on the paved portion only. After discussion it was determined to be OK as it is printed. He also moved that in Section 6 allowing 12 year-old drivers, it should be changed to require all riders to be 16 years of age. Nellessen pointed out that because of going from one township to another, how would drivers know the age limit and he didn't think we should change it. Motion died from lack of a second. Hanson moved to add to Section 6 D (6) : All ATV operators ages 12 to 17 must wear a helmet. Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Hanson indicated that once the signs are up they become the town's responsibility and we cannot delegate authority for them. Nellessen says they are not a traffic sign and therefore not a problem. Andrea Wieland asked if we would use a season, for example, Spring Lake closes for bow hunting. Ruth Esanbock said that Spring Lakes goes from April to October. Since we previously amended our ordinance to include year round, no season was used. After some more discussion Nellessen moved to approve wearing helmets and open all roads as stated last month, Traynor seconded and roll call vote as follows: Traynor, aye; Nellessen, aye; Hanson, nay. Motion carried.

Hanson and Thompson indicated they had heard nothing from the Village regarding the letter from our attorney about the fire contract.

Hanson stated that Murtha Sanitation had told him they would probably be raising their rates for big dump items come fall because of higher charges to get rid of the stuff. After discussion about revising our charges, Traynor felt we should hold off until July or August and see what they come up with.

The bid from Monarch Paving on  $410^{\text{th}}$  St. is as follows: Overlay  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " - \$74,800.00. On  $850^{\text{th}}$  – same cost for overlay with no wedge. Will wedge for \$41,200. Add \$2800 to each bid for using softer asphalt cement. Don moved to wedge  $850^{\text{th}}$  only with the \$2800,, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. They agreed to have Dale repair  $410^{\text{th}}$  and then wait a year to fix. Seal coating costs from Scott Construction for 22' width are as follows:  $850^{\text{th}}$ , 1.76 mi, \$25,750;  $450^{\text{th}}$ , .988 mi, \$13,337;  $330^{\text{th}}$ , 1.9 mi., \$26,348;  $290^{\text{th}}$ , 1.995 mi., \$29,173;  $690^{\text{th}}$ , .98 mi, \$14,360 and the Town parking lot \$3,000. There was discussion about 2 more miles on  $850^{\text{th}}$ . Lorne to talk to Scott about the additional 2 miles cost. No action taken.

Traynor moved to approve operator's license for Penny M. Dauley, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson reported he had received a request for a fireworks permit. After discussion, Board advised not to sign it because if they were using legal fireworks for Wisconsin, they would not need a permit.

Hanson reported that Shafer had moved and he had not heard from Olson about paying for the fence Sammie Thon had built

to keep Shafer's animals out.

Clerk Thompson presented a letter she received about the Hazard Mitigation Plan for Pierce County. Patrolman Strom was at a meeting where they explained it all. After discussion Nellessen moved to participate, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Clerk Thompson also presented a survey from Rural Mutual Insurance asking why we dropped them. Board moved to ignore it.

Clerk Thompson presented a letter and survey from Shawntel Tomberlin of Baldwin about starting a new Humane Society for Pierce County. Board not interested, so clerk to send it back and tell them that.

Clerk Thompson presented e-mails from Grethe Blyadglign of Springsted Incorporated in St. Paul, and Julie Brickner, Pierce County Finance Director, asking for the debt of the Town of Gilman. After discussion Nellessen moved to not give them the information, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There being no further business, Traynor moved to adjourn, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

# Gilman Town Board Minutes April 14, 2010

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Hanson on Wednesday, April 14, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. at the Gilman Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Lorne Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Dale Strom, Ken Ruppert, Lee Jorgenson, Larry L. Johnson, Andrea Wieland, Larry Hurtgen, Mickey Mattison and Ruth A. Esanbock. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Chairman Hanson apologized to Sue for not thanking her for all her hard work at the annual meeting last night. Nellessen moved to amend the agenda to include item #12 - Operator's licenses, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Traynor moved to approve the printed minutes from the March 10<sup>th</sup> Regular meeting and the April 8<sup>th</sup> Special meeting, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer Bartlett reported an ending balance of \$207,931.82 and indicated we had issued many dog licenses. Hanson presented some checks for driveway permits and there was some discussion about the wording on our form. It was decided to address this form at our meeting next month. Nellessen moved to approve the treasurer's report, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In addition to the list of bills presented totaling \$14,984.11, there were additional bills of \$35.25 from the County Clerk for election charges, Planning Commission per diems, \$100.00 from Fedie Carpet Cleaning for cleaning the town hall carpet, \$389.50 from the Eau Claire Co. Human Society for dog pickups and mileage of \$73.50 for Chairman Hanson. Nellessen moved to approve all bills, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Mickey Mattison asked how much new blacktopping will be done this year. Hanson indicated that probably no new blacktopping as we needed to repair some of the roads, namely 410<sup>th</sup> St. and some needed seal coating, so that would be the priority.

In reference to the ATV Association request to open all roads in Gilman Township, Traynor noted that all this has been discussed before and moved to open all Gilman Township road to ATV traffic, Nellessen seconded. In discussion Hanson presented a report from the Planning Commission that indicated they did not recommend opening all the roads. After more discussion Nellessen moved to amend the original motion to do a trial basis for one season, Traynor seconded the motion. In discussion Hanson indicated that he could go east, but can't get back to his house because the other side of the road is St. Croix County and ATV's are not allowed. He indicated this is discrimination, along with anyone who lived on State and County roads. On the first amended motion, oral vote as follows: Nellessen, aye; Traynor, aye; Hanson, nay. Motion carried. Nellessen then moved to add that any serious complaints would be considered, Traynor seconded. In discussion Hanson asked to have "serious" defined. He also asked how you enforce any speeding ATV's. He indicated that the oath of office sworn to by the Town Board states that you are to ensure the safety of your people, and he didn't think opening up all the roads would ensure their safety. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment vote as follows: Nellessen, aye; Traynor, aye; Hanson, nay. Nellessen then moved to amend the original motion to present it to an attorney to see if we have the ability to open all roads before it goes into effect, Traynor seconded and vote as follows: Nellessen, aye; Traynor, aye; Hanson aye. Nellessen then moved to approve the original motion along with the three amendments, Traynor seconded and vote as follows: Nellessen, aye; Traynor, aye; Hanson, nay.

Larry Johnson of the ATV Association asked if the roads designated before are still open. Hanson indicated they are, but felt there were questionable Board decisions made tonight.

In reference to the Fire Contract, Hanson presented a letter from Village President Marsha Brunkhorst stating that because we did not pay all the dues invoiced to us in full, that they were considering this action our notice of intention to seek fire protection elsewhere. Hanson stated that this is not true, because we felt the new contract they sent us was a "new" contract not an "amended" one as they indicated and that they had to give us a two year notice. Also Clerk Thompson indicated the amount Brunkhorst said they billed us was not the amount on the invoice. It was for \$3,272.05 more. After discussion Nellessen moved to take the matter to Attorney Loberg to get a determination of the 2 year notice from him or a judge if necessary, Traynor seconded and on or vote, motion carried. Hanson to contact Attorney Loberg and get an appointment.

Clerk Thompson had talked to Kelly Owen, Assessor and got various dates she had available for Board of review. After discussion it was set for Saturday, June 5, 2010 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

In reference to the road report, Chairman Hanson stated he had talked to Scott and Monarch, but did not have prices as of yet. There was discussion on what to do with the bad spot on 410<sup>th</sup> St. No action taken. They talked about putting crushed rock on and leaving it for a year on 330<sup>th</sup> St., north of Hwy. 29. They talked about using fabric on top of the breaker rock, but found out it is about \$15,000 per mile, so way too expensive. Strom asked about when they wanted the road limit signs

down. It was decided to wait until Monday, April 18th.

Hanson presented payments and driveway permit applications from Dairyland Power Cooperative and Brandon J. Johnson. He also presented one from Willard Traynor which was a duplicate from a previous permit that was not used due to different location.

Hanson reported Eric Turner requested a temporary driveway to a field for one day for parking for his daughter's wedding. He had showed Hanson what he wanted to do and Hanson informed him it would be okay.

Clerk Thompson presented operator license applications from Dianna Johnson and Danielle L. Larson. Traynor moved to approve both with the stipulation that Dianna complete the class first, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson reported he had talked to Sammie Thoa about the line fence between him and CPE Exchange (Dave Shafer, renter). Thao had built his half of the fence last fall and CPE Exchange did nothing, so he built the other half to keep Shafer's animals out of his yard and was wondering how he could get paid for the fence. Loren called CPE about this and he indicated Minnesota did not have a law about fences and he had never heard of one in Wisconsin. After discussion it was decided the clerk would send a letter and copy of Wisconsin Statutes to Mr. Olson of CPE Exchange with a carbon copy to Thao.

There being no further business, Traynor moved to adjourn, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

### Special Meeting April 8, 2010

After proper posting a Special Meeting was called to order at 7:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 8, 2010 at the Gilman Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Lorne Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen and Clerk Sue Thompson.

Hanson explained the purpose of the meeting was to act on a request to transfer the Reserve Class B Liquor and Class B Beer license from Red Barn Diner, LLC, Sharon Carle, owner to Red Barn Cafe, LLC, Dianna Fiergola, managing member. After a short discussion Traynor moved to approve the transfer, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There being no further business, Traynor moved to adjourn, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

# Gilman Town Board Minutes March 10, 2010

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 10, 2010 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Dale Strom, Ken Ruppert, Pete Esanbock, Ruth Esanbock and Andrea Wieland. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Jim Traynor indicated a clarification was needed in the ATV Public Hearing Minutes as follows: Lee Jorgenson – What complaints have we gotten from the first time some of the roads were opened? Hanson indicated we did have one (add) but not on the route. Also it should be Linsy Esanbock not Casey. After corrections Nellessen moved to approve the minutes, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer Bartlett reported an ending balance of \$224,049.56 and that balance included the February tax settlement. She also stated the check for the S. V. Telephone Company apparently got lost in the mail, so it was voided and we would pay the amount with this month's bill. Traynor moved to approve treasurer's report, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Thompson presented additional bills to those listed from Fleet Service of Baldwin - \$412.18; Timm Oil Company - \$1422.00 and wages for Dale Strom of \$1349.78. Hanson also presented additional bills of the Planning Committee Per Diem and one from Pierce County Highway Dept for salted sand - \$11,101.74. Nellessen moved to approve all bills, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Peggy Recktenwald asked to be on agenda about roaming dogs, but never showed.

Hanson reported that the Planning Commission had met last night and will make a recommendation on the ATV route request at the April meeting. He also reported that the Planning Commission recommended approval of Pete Esanbock's request for a Conditional Use Permit, indicating it is consistent with our Comprehensive Plan. Hanson moved to approve CUP, Traynor seconded and roll call vote as follows: Hanson, aye; Traynor, aye and Nellessen, aye. Motion carried.

Patrolman Strom reported Mrs. Michael Morgan had called and wanted gravel on 290<sup>th</sup> St. and her driveway because the bus was having trouble. He told her he didn't have any gravel yet and that the driveway was her responsibility. He also requested the Board should set a date to examine the roads and decide what they would do this year for road work. Hanson said wait a couple of weeks until things dried out. No date set. He also had calls about a big tree on the corner of 450<sup>th</sup> and 850<sup>th</sup> that all of a sudden was down. Nobody knows who took it down or why.

Hanson presented a letter from Pierce County about doing bridge inspections. Traynor moved to have Pierce Co. do the inspections, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Clerk to return letter to County.

Hanson presented a letter from Wisconsin Towns Association encouraging town officials to call their State representatives to vote for bill AB260, which deals with extraterritorial area.

Some discussion about an article in the Pierce County Herald about Gilman protesting the new fire service fees. After discussion, the Board decided to wait until they got the letter from the Village of Spring Valley as indicated in the article and respond at that time.

Lorne indicated he had received calls from dealers wanting to bid on our new truck and he didn't know where they were coming from. Nellessen said he had talked to some people about what kind of trade-in they could get, to get a feel if they should trade or not. No action taken.

There being no further business, Nellessen moved to adjourn, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

### ATV Public Hearing March 3, 2010

A Public Hearing was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 3, 2010 at the Gilman Town Hall. He indicated the purpose of the public hearing was because the Pierce County All-Terrain Vehicle Association had requested Gilman Township open up all its roads, except 850<sup>th</sup> Ave, to ATV travel. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Ken Ruppert, Larry L. Johnson, Dale Strom, Peggy Recktenwald, Jeff & Ruth Esanbock, Lee Jorgenson, Mitch Vanasse, Vern Vanasse, John Lenarz, El Helmke, Renne Soberg, Andrea Wieland, Tod Jorgenson, Gerry Gailds, Mark Mattison, Larry Traynor, Tom Rauch, Brandon Margelofsky and Linsy Esanbock.

Chairman Hanson pointed out some things he had already checked on. Those being:

- 1. It is legal for the town to authorize traffic.
- 2. The ATV signs are legally traffic sign and the Board cannot delegate anyone else to put up traffic signs.
- 3. A route is only a means of getting to a trail.
- 4. The whole issue has to be presented to the Planning Commission for their recommendation, before the Board can make a decision.

He then opened the meeting up to the public, asking them to state their name and if they are a resident of Gilman Township.

Ken Ruppert – He is against it especially on blacktop and concrete or cement road because of accidents and deaths and town liability.

Lee Jorgenson – Wasn't the insurance issue taken care of before? Hanson indicated the Association needs to present a Certificate of Insurance to the Town.

Larry Johnson - Non-resident - ATV Association officer - Stated the Assoc. has a million dollar liability policy.

Ruth Esanbock – Routes are easier to travel on in rural areas like ours, because of abuse to the land where snowmobiles travel.

Andrea Wieland – Feels the Association is backing us into a corner to open up all the roads. She spelled out the insurance risks according to state laws. Told about the sign on all ATV machines that say they are not to be used on roads. Says we should at exemptions on our insurance policy. Could not see any monetary benefit to Gilman, just possible expenses. Would destroy the peace and quiet in the township and reminded the Board that their first duty is to the taxpayers.

Lee Jorgenson – What complaints have we gotten from the first time some of the roads were opened? Hanson indicated we did have one, but not on the route.

Mitch Vanasse – They have animals on different farms, so they have an ATV for farm use. He also stated that since we live in a rural area that people want to enjoy, they also ride for pleasure. Stated that all surfaces are dangerous if you're irresponsible.

Ruth Esanbock – An example of things that can just happen is the Olympics with the luge. Even though someone was killed, it was an accident and the Olympics went on.

Larry Traynor –States he has an ATV farm sticker and in riding between farms has seen maybe 15 vehicles all year long. Since he is close to the current route, he feels people on the north side of the township should have the same privilege.

Mark Mattison – Asked how many kids Andrea said were killed. (I didn't get the number recorded) Like most accidents with cars, it's because of drinking.

Terry Gailds – When he found out about the current trail he bought 4 ATV's for his finance and kids. The kids took the course needed and they ride all the time. Never seen an accident.

Brandon Margelofsky – Stated North Dakota opened up the whole state to ATV's – why can't Gilman open up their roads.

Lorne Hanson – Stated that the County and State roads are better marked and better roads than ours, yet ATV's are not allowed on them. Why?

John Lenarz – Asked if there was an age limit.

Terry Gailds - Licensed for two years and anyone age 12 to 16 must take classes.

John Lenarz – Are there routes designated as scenic where you can ride for pleasure or are they all open just because people want to ride/

Terry Gailds - No specific scenic routes, so will not be a big rush of tourism.

Ruth Esanbock - Most of us work and don't have time to drive up north.

Lorne Hanson – Indicated his daughter lives in Clark County and has many trails – however all of them are through woods and feels that's where they should be – not on our roads.

Ruth Esanbock – All associations hope to eventually have trails all the way to Superior.

Sue Thompson - Asked if they have money for all the signs. Someone answered yes.

Jim Traynor - Spring Lake and Martell have had all roads open for two years and have had no problems.

Larry Traynor – Snowmobiles have been going since 1960 and have brought money into the county and state. Landowners are not responsible unless negligent.

Mitch Vanasse – We pay a lot to live in this rural area and we should be able to enjoy it.

Terry Gailds - Riders would stop any irresponsible people, no matter where they are from.

Don Nellessen – Maybe we should have stickers that indicate Gilman Township on it and charge \$5.00 or so, then the town would make some money also. Someone indicated that can not be done.

Tom Rauch – Stated it has been said that town would be liable only if we were negligent. Would the town be responsible because we went against state laws and opened the roads.

Larry Johnson – The signs are for warning cars.

Tom Rauch – Asked how fast do they go?

Sue Thompson – Wanted to reply to Mitch Vanasse's comment. Indicated she also pays a lot to live here and wants to enjoy it – not hear ATV's all the time like she does now and her road is not one of them open now.

Lorne Hanson – Indicated this still has to go to the planning commission and reiterated the speed limits and such that are in force in Gilman now.

Linsy Esanbock - Asked about noise from Harley's. Indicated they are much louder than ATV's.

Mitch Vanasse – Stated he is familiar with Sue's road and because of farmers will still have them going back and forth.

Dale Strom – Asked what hours they can ride now. Sue read from the ordinance – 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. during Daylight Savings Time and from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. during Standard Time.

Andrea Wieland – She felt all opinions should be respected and work for a compromise with both sides. Have a balance without excluding either side.

Brandon Margelofsky – Said he can get to the trail from his house, but Tod Jorgenson can't and that's not fair. Everyone should have the same opportunity and not depend on where you live.

Jim Traynor asked for a vote of all residents present from Gilman Township. For 13; Against 5. Stated that this meeting had been posted for 3 weeks and in the newspapers and if they were against it, they should have been here. Someone stated they felt it should be put to vote by the people.

Lorne Hanson again indicated it has to go to the planning commission and they have 30 days to respond, therefore it would be at least the April meeting before a decision was made.

Being no further business, Hanson adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

# Gilman Town Board Minutes February 10, 2010

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 10, 2010 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Patrolman Dale Strom, Ken Ruppert, Joe Boles, Pete Esanbock, Andrea Wieland and Mary C. Anderson. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Nellessen moved to approve the minutes as printed, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer Bartlett reported an ending balance of \$591,660.61, which included taxes not settled with the county as yet. She reported \$994.00 in dog licenses purchased. Traynor moved to approve the report, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

A list of bills was presented with additional bills of \$170.00 for mileage for Hanson and \$1492.99 from Pierce County Highway Dept for salted sand. Clerk Thompson also asked about wages for Election Chief Inspectors going to meetings. She indicated they must attend 6 hours of training every two years and yet they receive no extra pay as chief inspectors as some municipalities do. Traynor moved to give them the regular rate of \$9.00 per hour and mileage, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Nellessen moved to approve all bills, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In Public Input, Joe Boles, candidate for judge, spoke about why he's running for judge and gave us his background to qualify for being judge.

Pete Esanbock presented an application for a Conditional Use Permit for his coffee business. He indicated he plans on moving to his big barn and expand. Traynor moved to approve the application subject to recommendation of the Planning Committee, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There was much discussion regarding the retroactive date on the policy renewal from Westland Insurance and none on the quote from Rural Mutual. Traynor moved to have clerk call the State Insurance Department and see about retroactive claims regarding the Planning Commission ordinance and if Westland covers it, go with the Westland proposal, Hanson seconded. Roll call vote: Hanson, aye; Traynor, aye; Nellessen, nay. Motion carried.

Hanson indicated that Tracy Peterson and Renne Soberg were appointed one-year terms on the Planning Commission and their terms were up. He indicated they were both willing to serve again. Hanson moved to appoint Peterson and Soberg , Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Clerk presented an operator's license application from Lindsey Auld. Traynor moved to approve operator's license, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Patrolman Strom reported he was taking the truck to Eau Claire again tomorrow to get if fixed. He's been having trouble with the shifting computer.

Hanson reported he had a call from Scott Behrens about a dog he had locked in his shed that had been chasing his horses. Because it was after hours for the Humane Society, Hanson agreed to call the next day. However, the owner claimed the dog.

Hanson reported he had talked to Chad Johnson, Highway Commissioner, about getting the TRIP process started for repair to the 750<sup>th</sup> Ave. bridge for next year. He said the minutes indicated that the TRIP money this year went to Rock Elm.

Hanson presented a report about the new Prevailing Wage Law and how it would affect us. It means that any bids over \$25,000 worth of work, the employees have to be paid the prevailing wage by the employer. It would affect some of our local contractors we use.

Hanson also mentioned the WTA District meeting coming up in March and inquired if Traynor and Nellessen wished to go. Both said yes, so clerk will need a check to submit for their registrations.

There being no further business, Traynor moved to adjourn, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

# Gilman Town Board Minutes January 13, 2010

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 13, 2010 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Patrolman Dale Strom, Mickey Mattison, Andrea Wieland, Tom Rauch, Renne Soberg, Tracy Peterson, Ken Ruppert, Tom Jenkins, Bob Loberg, Spring Loberg and Caroljean Coventree. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Traynor moved to approve the minutes for the December 9<sup>th</sup> regular meeting and December 14<sup>th</sup> special meeting as printed. Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer Bartlett reported a year-end balance of \$137,460.78. She also reported a CD coming due Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> and asked if she should roll it over for another year. After some discussion about the amount of money available, Traynor moved to roll over the CD, add a new CD for \$12,000 for the Sinking fund for a year and add \$14,000 to the Bridge fund. Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer Bartlett presented and Exemption from Bond form. Traynor moved to exempt her from bond, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson moved to approve the bills as printed with additional bills from Timm Oil, WI Dept of Revenue and Tom Rauch, but not the fire contract bill, as that would be discussed later and then paid. Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Chairman Hanson introduced Bob Loberg, a candidate for judge in Pierce County. Mr. Loberg gave a brief history and why he was running for judge. Since Hanson had consulted him before about our fire contract, there was discussion about the contract and what we should pay since the Village gave us figures based on the 2009 budget instead of the 2010 budget. Nellessen moved to pay on the 2010 budget figure at the rate of the old contract, rather than the new one we haven't signed, Hanson seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Nellessen, aye, Hanson, aye and Traynor, nay. Motion carried.

Tom Jenkins from Rural Mutual Insurance presented a proposal for coverage for the Town with a total premium of \$7678. No action taken.

After discussion it was decided to set the ATV Public Hearing for Wednesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Clerk Thompson presented the Ordinance to Adopt the Comprehensive Plan. Hanson moved to approve the ordinance, Traynor seconded. During discussion Nellessen stated we should be sure we have insurance and legal fees as part of our budget to cover any claims involved from the Plan. Hanson indicated that the way it is written, he doesn't feel there will be any problem. Roll call vote as follows: Hanson, aye, Nellessen, nay, Traynor, aye. Motion carried.

Nellessen moved to approve an Operator's license for Carson Klug, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson thanked Strom for the good work he and Dewey did keeping the roads clear. Members of the public also thanked them for working overtime on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, so they could get out.

In reference to the insurance policy, Jenkins had presented a list of difference in the coverage from our current policy to his Rural Mutual policy. Nellessen suggested they meet with Steve Wickland, agent for our current policy to discuss the coverage and act on the policy renewal next month. Hanson to set up meeting.

Hanson talked about the lights in the shop. After discussion it was decided to have Hanson look into the cost of new lighting.

Clerk presented a renewal of the contract with Todd Dolan, building inspector. Nellessen moved to approve the new two year contract, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There being no further business, Nellessen moved to adjourn, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

### Gilman Comprehensive Plan Special Hearing January 13, 2010

A special hearing was called to order at 7:04 p.m. on Wednesday, January 13, 2010 at the Gilman Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Supervisors Traynor and Nellessen, Clerk Thompson, Mickey Mattison, Andrea Wieland, Tom Rauch, Renne Soberg and Tracy Peterson.

Chairman Hanson explained the purpose of the meeting was to hear comments regarding the Comprehensive Plan. CD's were sent to adjoining communities previously to give then 30 days to respond with anything they were concerned about. Hanson reported he had heard nothing from anyone.

Andrea Wieland thanked the Plan Committee for their hard work. Tracy Peterson thanked Hanson for his input and knowledge of the township, which helped them so much.

Nellessen also thanked them for their work, even though he indicated he couldn't see a reason for a Comprehensive Plan when we already have zoning and hoped we didn't have any problems with it. Hanson indicated it can be changed according to State Statutes.

There being no further commentx, Nellessen moved to forward the Ordinance to the Town Board for action, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Special Hearing adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

#### Special Meeting on Fire Contract December 29, 2011

After proper posting, a special meeting was held at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 29, 2011 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Lorne Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen and Deputy Clerk Kevin Mueller.

Hanson stated the reason for the meeting to discuss and act on the Fire Contract.

They discussed the agreement & rental portion, the assessments being payable by February 1<sup>st</sup>, rather the rental was monthly or annually and the assumption of debts and liabilities. After discussion Traynor moved to sign the contract, Hanson seconded. In discussion of the motion, Nellessen questioned the length of the agreement. After discussion roll call vote recorded as follows: Traynor, aye; Nellessen, nay and Hanson, aye. Motion carried 2-1.

Their being no further business, Traynor moved to adjourn, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Mueller, Deputy Clerk

# Gilman Town Board Meeting December 14, 2011

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7; 30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 14, 2011 at the Gilman Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Superivsors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Dale Strom, Ken Ruppert, Joe Vanden Berge, Tony Huppert and Andrea Wieland. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Traynor moved to approve the minutes for the November 8<sup>th</sup> regular meeting, the November 22<sup>nd</sup> Budget Hearing meetings and the December 7<sup>th</sup> Special Public Hearing on the Subdivision Ordinance, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Bartlett reported an ending balance of \$130,107.12. She also asked that because of increase of fees for NSF checks, if we could raise our fee to \$15.00. Board agreed. She will be transferring money to the Sinking Fund and Bridge Fund as per the budget. Traynor moved to approve the treasurer's report, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson advised about the bill from Pierce County Highway Dept. about questioning the amounts. It was decided he should go to the County, get an explanation and let the clerk know the final amount. After including additional bills from Timm Oil, Monroe Truck, Hudson Clinic and Pierce County for drug testing, Nellessen moved to approve all bills except Pierce County Highway Dept and approve that when we got the final total, Traynor seconded and on oral vote motion carried.

There was no Public Input.

In discussion of the revised Fire Contract, Nellessen felt that Section 6 B Paragraph 2 should have some kind of an out if the negotations of rent could not be worked out after five years. He felt there should be a grace period of 2 to 3 years for other arrangements to be made. It was decided Hanson should bring this to the other chairpersons and after they got the final draft, we hold a Special Meeting to act on the contract.

In reference to the Subdivision Ordinance, Nellessen questioned Section 5 B asking whose interpretation; Section 6 B – approval of making a lot bigger; Section 7 B – why by the subdivider not the Planning Commission; Section 7 D 1 – says this ties up plans for 4 months; Section 7 E – use of the word "may" and Section 7 F asking why the Chair of the Planning Commission should sign when they have no actual authority. He strongly felt an attorney should review this before anyone signed it. Tom Rausch to check for a planning type attorney and report back.

Traynor reported they had heard nothing back yet on the TRIP and TRID applications.

Hanson moved to accept the submitted list of election workers for the 2012 - 2013 election years, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Nellessen moved to approve operator's license for Dionne Geatner, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Strom reported things were up to speed on the roads and that he and Jim were still trimming & burning brush.

Since we had no heat in the building tonight, Lorne will check with a furnace repair man first thing in the morning.

Hanson reported he had gotten a bid in the mail for a new truck and asked why. Nellessen indicated he was talking to the guy and just asked him out of curiosity.

There being no further business, Traynor moved to adjourn, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

### Special Public Hearing on Subdivision Ordinance December 7, 2011

After proper publishing and posting a Special Public Hearing was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 7 2011 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Supervisors Don Nellessen and Jim Traynor, Clerk Sue Thompson, Duane Mattison. LaMoine Hanson, John Lenarz, Paul Seeling, Tom Rausch, Caroljean Coventree, Larry Hurtgen and Tony Huppert. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Hanson stated that the purpose of the meeting was to look over and comment on the proposed subdivision ordinance as presented to the Board by the Planning Commission. There were copies available for everyone.

Nellessen commented that this is a public hearing but shouldn't we have an attorney look at it before we vote on it? Hanson replied that they didn't feel they needed an attorney, since Caroljean Coventree is an attorney and she did most of the actual wording of the ordinance. Nellessen still felt another attorney should look it over.

Tony Huppert asked what caused them to do an ordinance. Tom Rausch responded that when the Planning Commission was first started someone asked about doing one and eventually the Board asked them to proceed.

After reviewing some aspects of it, Huppert asked why a private road in a subdivision needed to be built to Town standards. Lenarz indicated that there needed to be standards. Hanson commented that they wouldn't turn out like some of the private roads were now. They are not wide enough or designed so a school bus can enter and turn around or only one fire truck or ambulance can get in and out. He indicated there was not much we could do about it, as they were set by County standards and the County did not follow up and see that the standards were met. If they are built to Town standards, eventually the Town could take them over and receive highway aids for them.

Paul Seeling asked where they got the concepts for the ordinance. Caroljean Coventree replied that they looked at the County ordinance as well as ordinances from surrounding townships in both Pierce and St. Croix counties and took ideas from all of them.

In discussion of Section 4 C (1 & 2), Nellessen asked if the 2 parcels allowed included the house that might already be there and if not, the wording should be changed. After discussion it was decided that the word 'new' should be inserted before the word 'parcels'.. He also questioned 20 acres per parcel instead of the 15 that the County allows. Hanson indicated that it prevents them from using for example, 15.2 acres, as they did in one of the subdivisions already in place and then they don't supposedly come under County jurisdiction.

Huppert asked why we should have an ordinance when we still have to go through the County. It was indicated that we would have the control regarding number of acres, road standards, etc. instead of the County. The ordinance includes the road standards and inspections necessary during construction by a civil engineer at the expense of the developer, not the town.

In reference to Section 10 – Engineer Approval – Huppert asked if the Town had a choice of engineers or if we had to go with the cheaper one that the developer might want to use. It was decided to check and see if there is a list of certified engineers and give the developer a choice of two or three they could work with.

After discussion it was decided to make the changes as indicated and Nellessen still felt we should have an attorney look it over before the final vote. He also asked if we had to have another Public Hearing after we made the changes. The clerk volunteered to contact the

Wisconsin Towns Association and ask them about this matter. After more discussion, it was decided that since Caroljean had the complete ordinance on her computer, she could make the changes and then submit it to the Wisconsin Towns Association attorney for their review. She will report back to the Board what the WTA said.

There being no further business, Paul Seeling moved to adjourn, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

### Budget Hearing November 22, 2011

The Budget Hearing was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:00 p.m. on November 22, 2011 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson, Supervisor Jim Traynor, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett and Ken Ruppert. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Copies of the budget were available and since there was only one person who had not looked at it previously, Hanson asked if he had any questions about it. He stated he had none.

There being no further discussion, Traynor moved to adjourn the Budget Hearing, Ruppert seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

# Special Meeting to Adopt Town Budget November 22, 2011

At 7:06 p.m., Chairman Hanson called the special meeting to adopt the town budget to order. Present were the same as at the budget hearing.

Ken Ruppert moved to adopt the town levy of \$268,265.00, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson explained the necessity of approving the highway expenditures. Traynor moved to approve the highway expenditures, Ruppert seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There being no further business, Ruppert moved to adjourn, Bartlett seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

## Special Town Board Meeting to Adopt the Town Budget November 22, 2011

At 7:15 p.m. Hanson called the Special Meeting to Adopt the Town Budget to order. Present were the same people as the Budget Hearing.

Hanson moved to adopt the 2012 Proposed Budget, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There being no further business, Hanson moved to adjourn, Ruppert seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

# Gilman Town Board Meeting November 9, 2011

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7;30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 8, 2011 at the Gilman Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Thompson, Treasurer, Richelle Bartlett, Dale Strom, Mickey Mattison and Andrea Wieland. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Traynor moved to approve the amended agenda, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Nellessen moved to approve the minutes as printed, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Bartlett reported an ending balance of \$108,657.09 and commented that we had received the last of the highway aid. Hanson moved to approve the report, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Traynor moved to pay the bills as listed with additional bills for stamps for the treasurer and Traynor's wages as patrolman, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There was no public input.

In the fire contract Hanson noted that changes had to be made as the four chairpersons had agreed on in 4B,5C and 7A. Nellessen questioned why both 8 and 12C were in there, as they were both basically the same. He also questioned #10 indicating if the Village used the equipment for watering streets, they should be billed for it. Nellessen and Traynor suggested the words "on structures" be eliminated in #14, since we are only renting the building. Hanson presented the revised budget and indicated our share would be around \$33,000.00. Nellessen moved to put off any vote until we had a finalized, checked by a lawyer copy of the contract. Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Nellessen moved to approve the one-year contract with Owen Assessing as presented, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Nellessen moved to approve the patrolman's contract, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In reference to trading the tractor, after going over the specs and cost, Traynor moved to order the new tractor, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

After discussion about increasing the size of the handicap parking area, Nellessen moved to have Hanson check with Asphalt Maintenance for a price and go ahead and do it, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Mickey Mattison spoke in favor of concealed weapon signs. After discussion, Nellessen moved to post the "No Concealed Weapons Allowed" signs, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson reported he and Traynor had talked to Jim Harris at Pierce County about the TRIP and TRID money, eligibility, etc. for work on 690<sup>th</sup> Ave. and 450th Street. Mr. Harris indicated he would do the paper work since the County would be doing the work and let us know the results. He also indicated the TRID funds were very much in doubt we would receive any.

Traynor moved to approve the Budget Hearing date of November 22, 2011 at 7:00 p.m., Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Road report - Strom reported he passed his random drug test with flying colors. He also stated he had taken used culverts to Kadinger's and received checks totaling \$640.00. Hanson reported he had sent in the maintenance road rating report to the state.

Traynor moved to exempt the treasurer from the tax bond, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion

carried.

There being no further business, Nellessen moved to adjourn, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

### Gilman Town Board Meetiing October 12, 2011

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order on Wednesday, October 12, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were all officers, patrolman Dale Strom, Ken Ruppert, John Lenarz, Tom Rauch and Andrea Wieland. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Traynor moved to amend the agenda to include items #11, 12, 16 and a new request from Tony Huppert to support his improvements; Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Traynor moved to approve minutes as printed with the addition of a driveway on 770th Ave also in paragraph #9, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote motion carried.

Treasurer Bartlett reported an ending balance of \$104,508.46. Traynor moved to accept treasurer's report, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Nellessen moved to approve bills as printed with additional ones from Brooke Excavating, Pierce County Highway Dept, Planning Commission Per Diem's and wages for Traynor helping the patrolman; Traynor seocnded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Public Input- Andrea Wieland asked if we had considered working with other townships instead of buying a new grader, because of the cost and the economy. It was pointed out that the grader and tractor are not really items you can share as you both need them at the same time for weather conditions.

Hanson moved to adopt the Employee Grievance Procedure Resolution, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Fire Contract - Hanson reported that the only pressing problem was with the life time contract with the village shop instead of twenty years as the rest of the contract is for. They will be meeting again to discuss this and will have a final version for next month's meeting.

Nellesssen moved to table discussion about concealed weapons until next month, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Nellessen moved to table discussion of the Assessor contract until the Board had a chance to review contract, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Traynor reported that Gilman and Trenton Townships have priority for around \$21,591.58 of TRIP Funds and some from a TRID program. After some discussion of what we would use it for, Nellessen moved to apply immediately for both, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Because of the depth of the Planning Commission's Subdivision Report and some very pertinent questions about it, Clerk Thompson suggested a meeting at a later date with just the Planning Commission, Board and anyone interested to fully discuss and understand the Subdivision Report. They agreed to meet on November 2nd at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

After discussion on October 27th at 7:00 p.m. at the clerk's house, we would meet to set up the budget. A date for the Public Budget Hearing will be set at the November regular meeting.

Strom reported he is getting used to the new grader, but has been working on getting the ditches mowed and cutting trees, with help from Jim Traynor.

Clerk Thompson pointed out that the patrolman's contract would have to be amended to comply with state law regarding retirement benefits. Traynor moved to approve the change, Nellessen seconded and a new contract will be drawn up and signed. On oral vote motion carried.

Traynor moved to approve an operator's license for Brittany Neck, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Strom reported that the tractor was about 4 years old and was wondering if they were looking at trading it in. After discussion it was decided to have Chairman Hanson check on prices and report next month.

Nellessen presented a request from Tony Huppert to approve, sign and submit to the County for his new tenative expansion at the TEAM OIL Center.

Hanson reported that he and Traynor have checked the Jay Richardson driveways in dispute and found them to be in compliance now.

Clerk Thompson asked about the Road Report due to the state in December. Hanson says he has the map and Strom says he'll do it on the Internet with the clerk.

AFter discussion clerk to check with insurance company to see if we need a separate bond insurance for tax collections for the treasurer and report next month.

There being no further business, Traynor moved to adjourn, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

### Gilman Town Board Minutes September 14, 2011

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 14, 2011 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Dale Strom, Kurt Brochert of Nortrax Equipment, Tony Huppert, John Seyer of MBR and Paul Seeling of Gateway Publishing. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Nellessen moved to amend the agenda to include item #9 and #12, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Traynor moved to approve the minutes from the August 10, 2011 meeting with a correction of the number 4 instead of a \$ sign and the Special meeting on September 7, 2011, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer reported an ending balance of \$194,287.15 and that we had received the last half of the taxes. Nellessen moved to approve treasurer's report, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Traynor moved to approve the bills as listed and additional bills from Timm Oil, Scott Construction, Planning Committee per diem's, Hanson' mileage and Traynor's wages, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There was no public input.

In reference to the Beldenville addresses in Gilman Township and sending out the Valley Values Shopper, Paul Seeling of Gateway Publishing present 4 options for us to consider. 1. First class oversized letter; cost \$24.84 per month; 2. Notices clipped from paper and sent in regular envelope; cost \$10.12 per month; 3. Print and mail a post card with legal notice on it; cost \$8.05 per month; or 4. Town takes care of sending a notice. Clerk Thompson indicated from the calls she got from eight different people that they all felt they should not pay \$24.84 per month just for the Shopper. After much discussion, Hanson moved to approve option 3, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

John Seyer from Miller Bradford presented his proposal for a new Case grader at \$234,500.00 with trade-in of our old grader. Kurt Bruchert of Nortrax presented his proposal for a new John Deere grader at a cost of \$219,748 with trade in. Dale Strom presented bids from Volvo for \$237,800 with trade and a Caterpillar at \$210,085 with trade. After much discussion about size, options, etc. Nellessen moved to accept the John Deere bid of \$219,748 with trade because of more options with a 5 year payment plan, Traynor seconded on roll call vote: Nellessen, aye; Traynor, aye; Hanson, aye; motion carried.

Hanson reported he had talked to Jay Richardson about the driveways on 750<sup>th</sup> Ave .and 770<sup>th</sup> Ave. and Jay indicated that as soon as they were done with the crops they would be fixing the driveways as needed.

Hanson stated he hadn't heard back from the County about the reports needed for the state funding, however, he indicated that we did not qualify for the FEMA benefits and the County doubted we would qualify for any state funding. The only chance was a grant that Cedar Corporation was trying to write.

In reference to the fire contract, Hanson indicated that the four chairpersons have basically worked on an agreement that will be coming before the Town Boards before too long.

Because of the length of the meeting, Nellessen moved to table the Grievance Procedure Resolution until next month, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Strom reported that the boom mower is here and we have 53 hours of use. He also presented a check for \$291.10 from Kadingers for all the old culverts he delivered to them.

Traynor moved to approve an operator's license for Candace Standaert for Team oil, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There being no further business, Traynor moved to adjourn, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

### Special Meeting September 7, 2011

A legally posted special meeting was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 7, 2011 at the Gilman Town Hall. Present were Chairman Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Patrolman Dale Strom, Ross Christopherson and Tony Huppert.

Hanson explained the purpose of the meeting was to discuss and act on our motor patrol (grader) problem. The grader had lost power as Strom was using it and it was taken to Nortrax in Eau Claire for a service repair estimate, which came to \$18,029.63 excluding freight, taxes or items that may not be detected without disassembly of components, etc.

Hanson opened the discussion saying that he felt we couldn't afford one now with the way the economy was and it would be cost about ½ our road budget each year for five years. Nellessen commented that he felt with the ages of the grader (23 years) and the uncertainty of additional repairs needed, we should buy a new one at this time. Traynor indicated that since he didn't know much about the life and repair of graders, he had contacted six people in the township who did this kind of work and asked their opinion. He stated that all six of them said not to repair because of the age and hours on the machine.

Ross Christopherson asked if the hours made a difference and indicated we should have a plan for 10 years from now in reference to trading, etc.

Nellessen had a quote from Fab Co. (Cat) for \$229,809.80 with no trade in. There was also one from John Deere for approximately \$231,000.00. Tony Huppert presented a list of prices from sales of graders lately. Ross Christopherson indicated there were other companies and that we should get a bid from each of them. After discussion, Nellessen moved to buy a new grader, Traynor seconded. Hanson commented that he didn't feel we should commit taxpayer money at this time. After discussion a roll call vote was taken with the following results: Nellessen, aye; Traynor, aye and Hanson, nay. Vote carried.

Nellessen moved to publish an ad asking for bids in the paper next week. Traynor seconded. Hanson commented that the Town did not have to submit bids and Thompson felt that was true. Nellessen amended his motion to publish and ad asking for bids, if it is necessary. Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion\ carried. There being no further discussion, Traynor moved to adjourn, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

# Gilman Town Board Minutes August 10, 2011

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 10, 2011 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson, Supervisors Don Nellessen and Jim Traynor, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Patrolman Dale Strom, Ken Ruppert and Andrea Wieland. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Traynor moved to amend agenda to include discussion of fire contract. Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Traynor moved to accept minutes of July 13, 2001 as printed, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Bartlett reported an ending balance of \$97,912.77. She indicated we had received the Exempt Computer aid, Shared Revenue and Highway Aids. Taxes should be in before the end of August. She reported that we now had n o delinquent dog licenses. Nellessen moved to approve the treasurer's report, Traynor seconded and motion carried.

There was no public input.

Hanson presented petitions from Pierce County for County Aid to Local Bridges for each of three bridges that needed repair. The bridges and prices involved are : 1. On 890<sup>th</sup> Avenue 50' East of 330<sup>th</sup> Street – culvert - for a total cost of \$18,508.00; 2. On 850<sup>th</sup> Avenue 2.270' East of CTH BB – culvert - for a total cost of \$9,298.00 and 3. On 330<sup>th</sup> St. at 730<sup>th</sup> Avenue – culvert – for a total cost of \$8.166.00. Cost to be shared 50/50. Nellessen moved to award the projects to the Pierce County Highway Dept, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson presented driveway permits from Jay Richardson for three field driveways needed on land he rents in Gilman Township. After much discussion about the way he constructed them, slope of water running, crushed rock on top and a couple of other things, Nellessen moved to send a letter to Mr. Richardson indicating he must complete to town standards or they will have to be taken out. Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In discussion of our driveway permit, Nellessen moved that we add to our permit the following: the driveway must be constructed so that water runs off the driveway before it hits the road; seeding and mulching must be done on disturbed soils and the driveway must have 4" of crushed rock surface. Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Thompson reported on the flood damage claim from last year. We had not heard a thing and were getting no response when Hanson called Pierce County Highway Dept. She had contacted FEMA in Eau Claire and they indicated they did not have pictures and some other items needed. She indicated to him that we had sent pictures and everything we needed to Pierce County to submit. After discussion it was decided the Board members should contact Pierce County Highway Dept. and find out what happened.

Traynor moved to approve the operator license application for Natasha Nelson, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Patrolman Strom reported that Scott's are ready to start the seal coating on Saturday or next week. He also reported the boom mower is coming to Spring Lake next week and we would get it in about 2 weeks or a month. The cost will be about \$2700.00 for 53 hours.

Hanson reported on the fire contract meeting with the chairmen of Spring Lake and Cady and the Village Mayor. They will be holding another meeting at the end of the month for those four people and Traynor and Nellessen indicated that they needed to be able to attend and hear the discussion, even if they couldn't talk.

Thompson presented a survey for a Pre Disaster Mitigation Plan. After discussion, Hanson will complete it and send it in.

Thompson also presented the Wis. Towns Assoc. magazine article regarding an Employee Grievance Procedure. She gave Board members a sample copy of a resolution,, a sample Resolution for Adopting Employee Grievance Procedure and an Employee Grievance Form for them to study and make a decision at next month's meeting. This procedure must be in effect by October 1, 2011.

Bartlett asked for help with a Lottery Credit list she received from the County Treasurer as to whether they got lottery credits or not. The Board went through the list and marked them accordingly.

There being no further business, Nellessen moved to adjourn, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Respectfully submitted,

# Gilman Town Board Minutes July 13, 2011

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 13, 2011 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson, Supervisors Don Nellessen and Jim Traynor, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Dale Strom, Ken Ruppert and Sarah Buck. The pledge of allegiance was recited by all.

Hanson moved to amend the agenda to include items at the end – Thoa fence complaint, Planning Commission appointment, and clerk added resolution to adjust the ward boundaries and appointment of a deputy clerk, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Traynor moved to approve the minutes of the May 12<sup>th</sup>, June 8<sup>th</sup> regular meetings and June 20<sup>th</sup> special meeting on fire contract as printed, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Bartlett reported an ending balance of \$151,687.97 and stated we had received the 2% fire dues money from the state. She reported she still had one dog unlicensed and had sent him a letter of intent to issue a citation. After discussion Nellessen moved to issue the citation, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Nellessen moved to approve the treasurer's report, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Traynor moved to approve the bills as listed with additional bills for the election workers, Wages for Traynor, Mileage for Hanson, Pierce Co. Clerk for directory books, Timm Oil for fuel and Pierce County Highway for bridge inspection, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In public input, Thompson read an e-mail from Andres Wieland thanking Strom for not mowing until July so as to not disturb the birds nesting.

In reference to the motorcycle repair shop, Sarah Buck reported that they had not gone to the county yet to get a permit, so no action taken.

Hanson reported that the horses on the Marvin Olson property had gotten out again and did damage to Thoa's garden and Thao would like some compensation from Olson. After discussion it was determined that the Board should not get involved in setting values, but Thao should take it to his insurance company or hire a lawyer to help him.

In reference to the assessor's contract Nellessen felt we should have the same assessor as the Village so the property would be evaluated the same. After discussion it was decided to have clerk contact Village assessor to come to a meeting before they made any agreement with an assessor.

Hanson reported on the meeting with the Chairmen and Village mayor about the fire contract meeting. After discussion it was determined we should look for records and see who actually paid for the fire hall after the fire in the early 70's. Clerk to make copies for Supervisors of the agreement Attorney Loberg proposed with changes discussed at the joint meeting of the chairmen and give to Gilman supervisors.

Road Report - Hanson presented a total price of \$33,972 for 3 culverts and end walls with no digging broken down as follows: \$16,508 for 890<sup>th</sup> east of 330<sup>th</sup>; \$9,295 for 650<sup>th</sup> east of BB and \$8,166 for the corner of 330<sup>th</sup> & 730<sup>th</sup>. No decision made. Patrolman Strom reported the calcium chloride went on today. Prices for a new Rhino mower was \$8900 with trade-in and one from John Deere for \$12,000. They were pricing ones that blow the grass into the ditch instead of on the road. Strom reported for \$250.00 plus shipping we could get a part the put on our present mower for the same effect. After discussion Traynor moved to order the kit, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Strom reported that Spring Lake is renting the boom brush mower and asked if we should rent it for two weeks as long as it was in the area. Nellessen moved to go with Spring Lake in renting it, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Thompson reported she had gotten a complaint about the potholes on 750<sup>th</sup>. Strom indicated he knew about them, but with the weather and other work he hadn't gotten to them, but would be soon.

Nellessen moved to approve Resolution 2011-1 to adjust the ward boundaries in the Town of Gilman, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Clerk Thompson explained that she was in the hospital for the last election and would be again for the upcoming election during part of the time absentee balloting was allowed and indicated she had appointed a deputy clerk to handle absentee ballots and handle voter registration on election day. She asked for formal approval from the Board. Nellessen moved to approve the appointment of a deputy clerk, Traynor seconded and on oral vote motion carried.

Hanson reported that Tracy Peterson had resigned from the Planning Commission, so they needed to appoint someone. He would like to see a farmer involved and has talked to a couple who have not agreed as yet. He also indicated his term was up and a Board member would need to be nominated. Traynor moved to appoint Hanson to another term, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson presented a letter regarding upkeep of a property in Gilman asking for our help. After discussion, it was decided the clerk was to respond indicating we had no ordinances, etc. to enforce anything.

There being no further business, Nellessen moved to adjourn, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Special Meeting Concerning Fire Services Association Agreement

June 20, 2011 Gilman Town Hall 6: pm

Attendees: Lorne Hanson, Jim Traynor, Don Nellesson - Town of Gilman

Mike Tully, Roger Timm - Town of Cady

Richard Johnson – Town of Spring Lake

Bob Loberg, Mary C Anderson

Q: Lorne asked if it should be an Association or a Corporation

A: Bob stated the Statutes allow for Towns and Municipalities to form Associations. A corporation must file an annual report where as an association is not required to file. Associations are more common. He suggested the Association file for tax exempt status.

Q: Lorne questioned a 20 year commitment.

A: Bob stated it would be best for the Association to make it undesirable for any member to withdraw. Once established, the members should be committed to the success and continued longevity of the Association.

Q: Don handed out copies of the Fire Department Budgets for the past three years, and the minutes of the Village Board Special Meeting on May 11, 2011. There were questions concerning these reports.

A: After much discussion, it was decided these concerns would be addressed at a joint meeting of the members of the boards of, Village of Spring Valley, Town of Cady, Town of Gilman and Town of Spring Lake to be held in mid-July.

The proposed Spring Valley Fire Services Agreement drafted by Bob Loberg was reviewed and the following changes were agreed upon.

3. Term

b. The word "unless" should be taken out. Agreement ends after first (20) years. Succeeding 10 year terms will continue as the same, or a new agreement adopted, if a municipality has given notice to terminate at the end of the term.

4. Initial Contributions

Add c. Capital Reserve Funds held by the Village of Spring

9. A unanimous vote shall be required to dissolve the Association, and a majority vote required to amend this agreement.

Bob Loberg will make the proposed changes, copies for final review will be provided to each board member. Mike Tully will draft a cover letter to accompany the proposed Association agreement and it will be given to all members of the Board of the Village of Spring Valley prior to the mid-July meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm

Mary C Anderson/Sec

### Gilman Town Board Minutes June 8, 2011

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8, 2011 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson, Supervisor Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Dale Strom and Andrea Wieland. Supervisor Jim Traynor arrived about 7:37 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was recited by all.

Since Clerk Thompson had been in the hospital, the minutes for the May 12, 2011 were not ready. Nellessen moved to postpone them until the July meeting, Hanson seconded and on oral vote motion carried.

Treasurer Bartlett reported an ending balance of \$167,799.22. She also reported she had the delinquent dog list down to three families. After discussion Hanson and Traynor will check on dogs and if necessary, citations will be written. Nellessen moved to approve treasurer's report, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Nellessen moved to approve all bills submitted, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There was no public input.

Hanson reported Marvin Olson has put in a new fence joining Bob Sebion's land; however he informed Mr. Olson he also needs some fence along Hwy. 63 from the horse barn to the east line fence. Hanson will check again to see that it is done.

They reviewed the fire contract proposed by Attorney Loberg. After discussion, Hanson is to set up a meeting with Spring Lake, Cady and Attorney Loberg to see that they are all in agreement before they meet with the Village of Spring Valley.

In discussing the prevailing wage law for work on 410<sup>th</sup> St., it had been determined that it didn't apply because it was maintenance.

Nellessen moved to approve new operator licenses for Patric Stene, Nicole M. Awsumb, Shanna Ellefson and Kylie Aamodt, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Nellessen moved to approve renewal liquor licenses for First National Bank of River Falls, Country Store and Gas and Team Oil along with cigarette licenses for Country Store & Gas and Team Oil, and all renewal operator licenses, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried

In road report Hanson stated he had checked with Wisconsin Towns Association and they determined that Pierce County charging retroactive wage increases was not legal. During discussion on culverts that need repair and are 36" culverts, Dale should put a stake by them for Pierce County to check. Apparently there is help with the cost for 36" culverts. Strom indicated he is having patching material delivered for when it's needed.

Hanson reported the Elleffson Group inquired about the type of signage needed to hold a party at the Red Barn outside. He referred them to Land Management in Pierce County.

The contract with our building inspector, Todd Dolan, was presented for renewal. After discussion Nellessen took the new contract and the old one to compare. Traynor moved to approve the new contract pending Don's checking it, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There being no further business, Traynor moved to adjourn, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Respectfully submitted, Sue Thompson, Clerk

#### Gilman Town Board Minutes May 12, 2011

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 12, 2011 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Dale Strom, Ken Ruppert, Duane Mattison, John Lenarz, Tom Rauch and Andrea Wieland. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Nellessen moved to approve the printed minutes of the April 13, 2011 meeting, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Bartlett reported an ending balance of \$179,464.47. She also presented a list of delinquent dogs. Traynor moved to accept the treasurer's report, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Thompson presented a list of bills to be paid along with additional bills of \$912.00 from Timm Oil, \$1592.75 from Pierce County Highway and \$36.98 for Lynn Traynor for working at the dump. Nellessen moved to pay all bills, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There was no Public Input.

Tom Rauch & Jon Lenarz reported on the Plan Commission stating that they are looking at other plans and putting in a subdivision part. After discussion Traynor asked the plan commission if they were at all divided on rather we have a subdivision plan or not. They indicated that 4 were for it and 1 opposed. They discussed a more restrictive ordinance must be followed and one concern is the risk of being sued if you deny something that is not written down. Nellessen indicated you need a plan before you apply any impact fees. Hanson indicated there are 96 subdivision lots listed in delinquent taxes and thinks we need something in place.

In reference to suspending the Plan Commission Hanson felt the Plan Commission should come up a subdivision ordinance. After discussion Traynor moved they should not take more than 2 to 3 months and come up with an ordinance to present at the September meeting. Hanson seconded. On roll call vote, Hanson, aye; Traynor aye and Nellessen nay. Motion carried.

Because the Red Barn Cafe is closed, Thompson suggested using WESTconsin Credit Union at Team Oil Travel Center as our third posting place. Nellessen moved to use WESTconsin Credit Union, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In reference to the fire contract, they talked about the public hearing held in Spring Valley and no action taken.

Clerk Thompson presented a letter from Marvin Olson about an illegal field driveway that was washing out his driveway. Hanson indicated it was not our responsibility, but he would check it out and see if the original fence problem was fixed according to instructions.

#### Road patrolman Dale Strom reported he went to a Safety Nuclear Meeting and ordered 2 new safety vests. He met with the bridge inspector Gilman Town Board Minutes June 8, 2011

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8, 2011 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson, Supervisor Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Dale Strom and Andrea Wieland. Supervisor Jim Traynor arrived about 7:37 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was recited by all.

Since Clerk Thompson had been in the hospital, the minutes for the May 12, 2011 were not ready. Nellessen moved to postpone them until the July meeting, Hanson seconded and on oral vote motion carried.

Treasurer Bartlett reported an ending balance of \$167,799.22. She also reported she had the delinquent dog list down to three families. After discussion Hanson and Traynor will check on dogs and if necessary, citations will be written. Nellessen moved to approve treasurer's report, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Nellessen moved to approve all bills submitted, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There was no public input.

Hanson reported Marvin Olson has put in a new fence joining Bob Sebion's land; however he informed Mr. Olson he also needs some fence along Hwy. 63 from the horse barn to the east line fence. Hanson will check again to see that it is done.

They reviewed the fire contract proposed by Attorney Loberg. After discussion, Hanson is to set up a meeting with Spring Lake, Cady and Attorney Loberg to see that they are all in agreement before they meet with the Village of Spring Valley.

In discussing the prevailing wage law for work on  $410^{\text{th}}$  St., it had been determined that it didn't apply because it was maintenance.

Nellessen moved to approve new operator licenses for Patric Stene, Nicole M. Awsumb, Shanna Ellefson and Kylie Aamodt, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Nellessen moved to approve renewal liquor licenses for First National Bank of River Falls, Country Store and Gas and Team Oil along with cigarette licenses for Country Store & Gas and Team Oil, and all renewal operator licenses, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried

In road report Hanson stated he had checked with Wisconsin Towns Association and they determined that Pierce County charging retroactive wage increases was not legal. During discussion on culverts that need repair and are 36" culverts, Dale should put a stake by them for Pierce County to check. Apparently there is help with the cost for 36" culverts. Strom indicated he is having patching material delivered for when it's needed.

Hanson reported the Elleffson Group inquired about the type of signage needed to hold a party at the Red Barn outside. He referred them to Land Management in Pierce County.

The contract with our building inspector, Todd Dolan, was presented for renewal. After discussion Nellessen took the new contract and the old one to compare. Traynor moved to approve the new contract pending Don's checking it, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There being no further business, Traynor moved to adjourn, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Thompson, Clerk

nd signed up to have the bridges inspected. He indicated that there is a bad one by Andrea Wieland's that needs to be fixed in the next year or so.

He presented an estimate from Monarch for \$68,730.00 for 1" overlay on 410<sup>th</sup> St between 850<sup>th</sup> and 890<sup>th</sup> and about \$88,000.00 to do the mile north of the Gilman Church. Nellessen indicated we couldn't afford to tear up the whole road this year.

Estimates from Scott Construction were \$5903.00 for 250<sup>th</sup> St, which we share with Spring Lake Township and total cost would be about \$15,000.00; \$16,984.00 to seal coast 850<sup>th</sup>; \$17,170.00 for 650<sup>th</sup> Ave and \$16,580.00 for 730<sup>th</sup> Ave. Pierce County Highway prices were \$16,905.20 for 650<sup>th</sup> Ave and \$16,588.00 for 730<sup>th</sup> Ave.

Strom also indicated the grader needed new tires for a cost of \$6500.00.

Nellessen moved to go with Scott for seal coating, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Traynor moved to approve purchase of grader tires, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Traynor moved to gravel 3 miles on 410<sup>th</sup> St. from 770<sup>th</sup> Ave. south to 650<sup>th</sup> Ave., Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

After discussion on the delinquent dogs, it was decided to send a citation warning letter to all listed on the delinquent dog list.

There being no further business, Traynor moved to adjourn, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Respectfully submitted, Sue Thompson, Clerk

### Gilman Town Board Minutes April 13, 2011

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 13, 2011 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Supervisor Jim Traynor, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer, Patrolman Dale Strom, Larry L. Johnson, Caroljean Coventree, Ken Ruppert, Duane Mattison, Ruth Esanbock, Andrea Wieland and Tom Rauch. Supervisor Don Nellessen was absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Traynor moved to amend the agenda to include item 9 – Ruth Esanbock on ATV contract and delete item 8 – Planning Commission Report, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Traynor moved to approve the minutes of last month's meeting as printed, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer Bartlett reported an ending balance of \$162,878.21. There being no further questions, Traynor moved to approve, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Besides the printed list of bills, there were additional bills of \$75.48 for mileage for Lorne, \$12.00 for patrolman's drug screening and \$356.64 wages for Jim Traynor for road work. Hanson moved to approve all bills, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In Public Input, Mickey Mattison asked about the Sheila Harsdorf recall people who were at the town hall on Election Day. Clerk Thompson explained the e-mail she had received from the Government Accountability Board regarding the situation and that it was legal for them to be there. No further discussion.

Ruth Esanbock asked to have some changes made on the ATV Ordinance. The first being Section 6, D5, it should have read ages 12 to 16, not 15. Change 15 to 16. The second change being in Amendment #2, D6 should read ages 12 to 18, not 17. Change to 18. After discussion Traynor moved to extend the existing Amendment #2, Section V to continue for another year, Hanson seconded. Caroljean Coventree commented that the Planning Commission denies this ordinance. After discussion, motion carried. Clerk to bring corrections and amendment to May meeting to have the Board sign.

Traynor reported he had gotten information from the Spring Valley Village about the fire contract. He presented the agreement from Ellsworth and Baldwin Fire Dept and a financial report from the Elmwood Fire Dept. After some discussion it was decided Lorne is to set up a meeting with Spring Lake, Cady and the Spring Valley Fire Dept. officers for after Easter to determine which route they want to take.

They postponed discussing the discontinuation of the Planning Commission until next month, when the Planning Commission gives their report.

Patrolman Strom reported that the roads are breaking up and we needed to do a road trip soon. He also indicated that the Anderson brothers had cleaned up trees, etc. on their land on 410<sup>th</sup> St and that there was a small bunch on the road way. After discussion the Board and Dale decided to have them clean up the trees on the road right-of-way and send us a bill for the cleanup. Strom reported he could not get the heating machine yet so he cannot do any patching. He indicated 410<sup>th</sup> north of 850<sup>th</sup> needs work. He also indicated that Martel Township chairman asked him to go along to Eau Claire for Caterpillar Appreciation Days. Board advised him he should go. He indicated that the chimney on the shop needs replacing. He got an estimate from Tim's Top Hat for \$740.00. Jim moved to accept the bid for cleaning, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Traynor moved to approve operator's license for Sedrick X. Huppert and Casey Dierks from Team Oil, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Clerk Thompson gave a letter from Dust Control about there new name & number, so he can contact them.

She also presented a new price list from The Kraemer Company.

There being no further business, Traynor moved to adjourn, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

# Annual Meeting Minutes April 12, 2011

The annual meeting of the Town of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 12, 2011 at the Gilman Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Supervisor Jim Traynor, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Ron Thompson, Dale Strom, Lynn Traynor, Tom Rauch, Andrea Wieland, and Caroljean Coventree. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Dale Strom moved to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2010 annual meeting, Lynn Traynor seconded and on oral vote: 9 ayes - 0 nays. Motion carried

Hanson congratulated all members of the board on being re-elected and thanked Dale Strom and Dewey Anderson for their great work on the roads.

Ron Thompson moved to leave the designated bank as WEST consin Credit Union, Jim Traynor seconded and on oral vote, 9 ayes -0 nays. Motion carried.

Hanson brought up dust control and Jim Traynor moved to continue using dust control, Dale Strom seconded and on oral vote, 9 ayes -0 nays. Motion carried.

As Hanson was going over the 2010 annual report, Andrea Wieland asked if there were any changes or cuts in figures. Hanson stated that the Wisconsin Towns Association felt a possibility of a 10% cut for 2012, but as is for 2011. When asked if taxes would go up to cover the cuts, Hanson indicated we would just have to watch the budget and plan according to the money we had. In the plowing and sanding of Cady, Spring Lake and Corp of Engineers roads, it was questioned if we were charging enough to cover our costs. Hanson, Traynor and Strom assured them that we were. In reference to the insurance for the break-in, Hanson was asked if the police ever found any hint of who did it. Hanson indicated no.

Caroljean Coventree commented on the fire contract and asked what is happening. Hanson explained that Spring Valley is looking at Elmwood, Ellsworth or United to buy the department, while the townships are looking to form a corporation with Spring Lake, Cady, Gilman and the Village of Spring Valley. The current contract is not up until June 2012 and they feel they will have it all resolved before then.

Tom Rauch asked about Nellessen's comment last year about using the same assessor as the Village of Spring Valley. Traynor indicated that the same assessors don't usually assess villages and rural townships, so it probably wouldn't happen. He asked about the possibility of finding another assessor and Hanson stated that Owen Assessing's contract runs out this year and the Board would be looking into it.

There being no further discussion on the annual report, Richelle Bartlett moved to approve the report, Andrea Wieland seconded and on oral vote, 10 ayes – 0 nays. Motion carried.

Jim Traynor moved to set the next annual meeting on April 10, 2012, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, Ron Thompson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried, 10 ayes, 0 nays.

Chairman Hanson indicated Big Dump Days would be the first weekend in May. After discussion about prices, it was decided to leave as they are, feeling that an increase might mean more dumped in the ditches.

Hanson stated that Open Book would be held on May 21, 2011 from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. with Board of Review following from 10:00 to 12:00.

In reference to designating a newspaper, Hanson explained that Wisconsin Towns Association suggested we not designate a specific paper in case something happened and it didn't get printed, we could be in violation of open-meeting law. He suggested we continue as we are doing – printing it in the Sun-Argus and Valley Values Shopper as needed. Tom Rauch moved to continue submitting it to the Sun-Argus and Valley Values Shopper, Dale Strom seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. 10 ayes – 0 nays.

There being no further business or questions, Jim Traynor moved to adjourn, Caroljean Coventree seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. 10 ayes 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted,

## Gilman Town Board Minutes March 9, 2011

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 9, 2011 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson, Supervisors Traynor and Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Dale Strom, Duane Mattison, Bob Sebion, Ken Ruppert, Lee Jorgenson and Clint Semrau.. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Jim Traynor moved to amend the agenda to include approval of liquor license transfer and discuss the fire contract, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Nellessen moved to approve the Caucus minutes and February 9<sup>th</sup> board meeting, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer reported an ending balance of \$181,920.26 and indicated she had settled the taxes with the county and paid all the schools. Nellessen moved to approve treasurer's report, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

On the list of bills presented by the clerk, Traynor questioned paying Pierce County Highway Dept. \$\$6160.37 for the culvert on 850<sup>th</sup> and Hwy 63, since he felt it was on the Hwy. 63 right of way and the county should pay it. Hanson informed them, he had talked to the county and Wisconsin Towns Association and they both informed them that we were responsible for it. After discussion, Nellessen moved to approve all the bills, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Public Input – Bob Sebion spoke about the line fence between him and Marvin Olson. He said Marvin's half was pulled down by all the snow and the condition of the fence. He had repaired his after the discussion about it last year and felt that Mr. Olson should get his repaired also. After discussion the Board decided the clerk should send Mr. Olson a letter giving him 60 days to get his fence repaired or the town would have it repaired and bill him.

In reference to the Planning Commission, Lorne moved to reappoint Tracy Peterson and appoint John Lenarz for one year terms and Caroljean Coventree for a two year term. During discussion Nellessen indicated that Wisconsin Towns Association talked about suspending the Planning Commission as they don't know if it is necessary as we are under the County plan. After discussion, it was decided to put this item on the agenda for next month. Traynor moved to approve the appointments as listed, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In Road report, Hanson reported that he and Dale had taken the final flood forms and bills to the county for possible reimbursement. Dale indicated he was close to putting up the weight limit signs. He also indicated the Board should set a date to do a road trip to see what roads they would work on this summer. He also indicated he had gotten some warning flags from Pierce County. Clerk Thompson presented a letter from Kraemer with their new rates.

Traynor moved to approve the operator's license application from Laura Hoffman, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Clerk Thompson presented an application to transfer the liquor license from Diana Fiergola to the First National Bank of River Falls. Diana's lease is up and she will not be renewing it. We received a check from First National Bank for the remainder of the license period and Thompson asked to reimburse Diana for that portion. After discussion Nellessen moved to transfer the license and pay Diana back, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Clerk Thompson reported that assessor Kelly Owen had called her and asked if May 21, 2011 from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. would be alright for Open Book with Board of review following from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Nellessen advised he would not be able to attend as he would be in the field. After discussion, Traynor moved to appoint Mary C. Anderson as an alternate for Nellessen and have Ken Ruppert on stand by if needed, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson presented a letter from Pierce-Pepin Electric regarding weed control.

Hanson read a letter from Village President Marsha Brunkhorst inviting the chairmen only to a meeting to discuss the fire contract. Nellessen objected indicating the whole board should be able to come. Since they all have to make the decision on the contract and should be able to hear all the discussion. After discussion Nellessen moved to disallow Hanson to attend fire contract meetings with out the rest of the Board, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There being no further business, Nellessen moved to adjourn, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Respectfully submitted

## Gilman Town Board Minutes February 9, 2011

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 9, 2011 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Dale Strom, Lee Jorgenson, Ken Ruppert, Eric Huppert and Andrea Wieland. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Chairman Hanson indicated a correction to last month's minutes. He indicated the visibility should be 500 feet not 400 and add "granting an exception to the 500 feet". With these corrections Nellessen moved to approve the minutes, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer Bartlett stated an ending balance of \$535,215.05 becasue she had not settled with the county yet. She indicated she had processed 111 dog licenses so far. Traynor moved to accept the treasurer's report, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

A list of bills were presented for payments with additional bills of \$3724.25 from Timm Oil and \$60.00 for meeting registration for Planning Commission members. Clerk Thompson asked for checks to issue to election workers the next week. Nellessen questioned whether it was necessary for the Planning Commission members to go to meetings. After discussion, it was decided they should go. Nellessen moved to approve all bills, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There was no public input.

Hanson reported on the meeting with the chairmen and village president regarding the fire contract. He indicated the main issue that came up was to stress that the townships and village should have a vote on the budget and that ownership of equipment is already shared by all. The village president stated she would give a copy of our proposal to her board members and then have another meeting. Eric Huppert stated that he was told that the firemen could not talk to anyone from the townships. The Board felt very bad about that situation because the firemen or their service are not the problem, Hanson stated we will have to wait until the village contacts us about a meeting.

Chairman Hanson had brought the bill from Nick Brooke for flood damage repair out to the county and the county said we would have to coordinate Nick's charges with the sheets we already turned in. Hanson and patrolman Dale Strom to meet with clerk to get the paper work done and resubmitted.

Mike Richert had contacted Clerk Thompson and Chairman Hanson about his taxes. They both indicated to him that it was too late to do anything about now, he should have come to the Board of Review. He insisted he never got a notice about it. No action taken.

Hanson informed Dale Strom that he had been notified that they would be coming to do an inspection of the salt pile in early February.

Clerk Thompson asked if she should register anyone for the Wisconsin Towns Association District meeting. After discussion Hanson and Traynor decided they would be attending. Clerk to send in registration.

Thompson presented the renewal insurance policy from Big Rivers Insurance. After discussion about price and coverage comparing Big Rivers and Rural Mutual, Traynor moved to approve continuing with Big Rivers Insurance, Hanson seconded and with a voice vote, Hanson, yes, Traynor, yes and Nellessen, nay. Motion carried.

Hanson presented some information on prevailing wages. Discussion only, no action taken.

There being no further business, Nellessen moved to adjourn, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

#### Caucus Meeting Minutes January 18, 2011

Caucus for the Town of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 18, 2011 at the Gilman Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Clerk Sue Thompson, LaMoine Hanson, Ken Ruppert, Denny Hughes, Tony Huppert, Trudy Huppert, Lee Jorgenson, Bill Emerson, Don Nellessen, Duane Mattison, Richelle Bartlett, Mary C. Anderson, Jim D. French, Lynn Traynor, Jim Traynor, Michele L. Huppert, Eric S. Huppert, Andrea Wieland, Elizabeth Tessier, Kerry Christopherson, Ross Christopherson, Paul Seeling and Coleen Donath. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Hanson explained that the purpose of the caucus was to nominate candidates for Town Offices at the Spring Election. He stated that all offices are up for election.

Since Hanson is up for election, he cannot be Chairman and asked for nominations for Chairman of the Caucus. Ken Ruppert nominated Dale Strom' Strom declined. Bill Emerson nominated Tony Huppert. Jim Traynor moved to close nominations and cast an unanimous ballot for Tony Huppert. On oral vote, motion carried.

As Chairman, Huppert asked if they preferred to vote by ballot or oral. Nellessen moved to vote by ballot, Strom seconded and or oral vote, motion carried. Huppert then appointed Mary Anderson, Richelle Bartlett and LaMoine Hanson as ballot clerks. Nominations were made for Dennis Hughes, Eric Huppert, Lorne Hanson, Jim Traynor, Donn Nellessen and Tony Huppert. Traynor, Nellessen and Tony Huppert declined the nomination. Final vote was Eric Huppert, 14, Lorne Hanson 8 and Dennis Hughes 1. The top two will appear on the ballot.

Four names are eligible for Supervisor. Nominated were Jim Traynor, Don Nellessen, Lorne Hanson, Lee Jorgenson, Dennis Hughes, Ross Christopherson and Paul Seeling. Hanson, Jorgenson, Christopherson and Seeling declined the nomination, leaving Traynor, Nellessen and Hughes on the ballot for Supervisor.

Nominations for clerk were Sue Thompson and Paul Seeling. Seeling declined, leaving Sue Thompson as the only candidate on the ballot.

Nominations for Treasurer were Richelle Bartlett and Mary Anderson. Anderson declined leaving Richelle Bartlett as the only candidate on the ballot.

There being no further business, Nellessen moved to adjourn, Paul Seeling seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Since all the candidates were available, Clerk Thompson had them fill out the necessary forms and then drew for placement on the ballot. Placement for Chairman were Number 1. Lorne Hanson and Number 2. Eric Huppert.. Placement for Supervisors are as follows: Number 1. Jim Traynor; Number 2. Dennis Hughes; Number 3 Don Nellessen.

Respectfully submitted

#### Gilman Town Board Minutes January 12, 2011

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 12, 2011 at the Gilman Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Supervisors Traynor and Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Dale Strom, Ken Ruppert, Ruth Esanbock and Tom Jenkins. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Traynor moved to approve the amended agenda, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Traynor moved to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2010 meeting and the Special Meeting of January 5, 2011 as printed, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer reported an ending balance of \$68,325.80. She reported that the 6 month CD's for the Sinking Fund would earn interest at .01%, so she put them in the Money Marketing Account which earns interest at .04%, but we will keep it as a separate account. Traynor moved to approve the treasurer's report, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Clerk Thompson presented a list of bills to be paid along with additional bills of \$180.70 from the Eau Claire Humane Society and Chairman Hanson's mileage of \$33.50. Nellessen asked if we could charge the people involved in the cattle dispute Attorney Loberg's charges of \$297.00. Clerk to check with Towns Association. Nellessen moved to approve bills, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There was no public input.

Ruth Esanbock of the ATV Association presented Resolution 1.12.11 in Support of the Wildwood ATV Trail (copy attached). After some discussion Nellessen moved to adopt the Resolution as presented, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Tom Jenkins of Rural Insurance presented a proposal and comparison of our current insurance policies and a quote from Rural Mutual. Nellessen asked if he could provide coverage for the cost of stray dogs. Jenkins indicated no. The quote for coverage was \$7533.00 for all coverages.

Chairman Hanson presented two driveway permits from Sandra Burciaga. One of our requirements states the driveway must be 200 feet from intersections or other driveways with visibility of 500 feet in each direction. Hanson indicated that the intersection, closer than 200 feet, is a controlled intersection with a stop sign. After discussion, Nellessen moved to approve the driveway permit granting an exception to the 500 feet as long as it is a controlled intersection, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Clerk to mail permits to Sandra.

Chairman Hanson informed the Board that they had appointed John Lenarz to replace Renne Soberg on the Planning Commission. He indicated they will start working on subdivisions.

Hanson presented a letter he received from Village President Brunkhorst about meeting with just the Chairmen of each township to discuss the fire contract, possibly of January 19<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup>. Board members felt it should be the whole Board, not just the Chairman. Board members will attend also, even if they are not allowed to speak.

Clerk Thompson presented a letter from our Worker's Comp insurance that they were not renewing our policy. She indicated she had talked to the agency and the reason was, they were no longer writing worker's comp, but he had it taken care of and found a different company.

Patrolman Strom reported that the roads were in good shape and that he and Marlowe Anderson had kept them cleared with all the snow we had. He indicated that Carl Finstad would be cutting some of the timber on the roadway.

Chairman Hanson presented a letter he had received about the scouring of bridges. He indicated that Jerry Halls, Pierce County bridge inspector, has been checking and keeping an eye on them.

There being no further business, Nellessen moved to adjourn, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

#### Special Meeting Minutes January 5, 2011

After proper posting a special meeting was called to order by Gilman Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 5, 2011 at the Gilman Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Gilman Chairman Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Cady Board members, Mike Tully, Chairman, Supervisors Roger Timm and Hugh Hampton and Spring Lake Board members, Gary Peterson, Chairman, Supervisors Richard Johnson and Mike Jacobson.

Chairman Hanson stated the meeting was for the express purpose of discussing the fire contract with the Village of Spring Valley. He indicated that he thought the Ellsworth contract was well written and opened up the meeting for any comments and discussion, He stated that on top of page three regarding the basis for assessing should be consistent and not changing. Most everyone agreed.

Richard Johnson presented a copy of the agreement the Town of Spring Lake has with the Elmwood Area Fire Department, Inc and all reviewed that. He indicated that this was an agreement written in 1999 and that they charge by section. The section charge for 2011 is at \$416.46., and this could change each year depending on the budget. They are a corporation with officers and also have a chief officer in charge of daily operations.

Don Nellessen pointed out that he had talked to the River Falls Fire Department and said that they use equalized value as part of their assessment. He indicated they had a state assessor come in and put a price on the University as they are a tax exempt entity with lots of value. They add this figure to the equalized value, which seems fair.

There was discussion on why the townships have to pay for the fire calls immediately and then bill the taxpayer. It was brought up about the St. John's Church fire and that the Village did not charge them as they were obligated to protect them as a tax exempt entity. The question was asked who pays for the churches and other tax exempt entities and no one seemed to know and that maybe that was why the Spring Valley budget was so much higher than the Elmwood budget and yet Elmwood covers more sections than Spring Valley. Most everyone felt the townships should have a say in the budget process.

Mike Tully then said that we needed to decide if we wanted to go for a corporation or not. All agreed and there was some discussion about how it should be assessed. Mike Jacobson indicated we should do the corporation first and present it to the Village and get their reaction, and then we could worry about how to assess. After some discussion Mike Tully asked if Sue would change the Ellsworth agreement to reflect our names, etc, and forward a copy to each of them. Sue agreed to do it. Marsha Brunkhorst, President of the Village of Spring Valley had sent a letter to the chairmen about them meeting to discuss the contract and it was decided to have Hanson contact the Village and set up a date for the meeting. Since only the chairmen were invited, some supervisors felt that they should be included and since it had to be an open meeting, they would attend to listen. Hanson also asked that Clerk Thompson be there to take minutes. Tentative dates were set for January 19<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Thompson, Clerk of Gilman

## Subdivision Ordinance Public Hearing November 28, 2012

After proper notice a Subdivision Ordinance Public Hearing was held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 28, 2012 at the Town Hall. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson and all in attendance recited the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, LaMoine Hanson, Dale Strom, Steve Price, Attorney Catherine Munkittrick, Tom Rauch, Joyce Borgerding, Dan Seifert, Tony Huppert, Tracy Peterson, Suzanne Baker, Keith Nichols, Ross Christopherson, Andrea Wieland, Michael Wieland, Kris Cummings, Jason Bartlett, Richelle Bartlett and Caroljean Coventree.

Hanson stated the purpose of the meeting as being a Public Hearing on a proposed Subdivision Ordinance and that the meeting was being recorded and asked that each person who wished to speak would come up to the podium and state his concerns. He asked them to try and keep it under three minutes. He introduced the members of the Planning Commission present as being Tom Rauch, president, John Lenarz, who was not present, Dan Seifert, who was just last month appointed to fill the term of Tracy Peterson, Caroljean Coventree and himself, as a member of the Town Board. He stated that the purpose of the ordinance was to keep local control over where, how, roads, drainage and things like that.

Don Nellessen started it out, stating that he was there as a citizen, not a board member and asked what is the estimated legal fees for the township? Hanson stated that the legal fees are built into the ordinance and would be paid by the developer. Tom Rauch commented that most of the fees would depend on the complexibility of the subdivision. Don asked about going to court on different aspects and they would be the same charges against the county and Caroljean commented that it is not likely they would go to court – they could work it out. Nellessen asked about making the developer pay for a park and essentially making the people in the development pay for it, when everyone could use it. Caroljean commented that it would come under any additional charges that the new development would impose on the town just by being there. Attorney Munkittrick commented that it is part of the State Statutes and that you need to show a relationship between the subdivision and the need for a park and maybe in a rural setting like this, you don't need a park.

Don then asked how we can justify making them follow the ordinance for roads, when the town has roads that do not meet the standards in the ordinance. Lorne commented that when they build those roads up to standards, then the Town gets State Aid on the roads. The three subdivisions we now have do not have standard roads and they are a risk to the residents of the subdivision, as they are not wide enough to meet cars on. Because of the size of the road, the people who live in the subdivision have to maintain the roads and not the town. Tom Rauch commented that they are new roads and they should be built to standards.

Ross Christopherson asked what is your main concern to having your own ordinance rather than the county ordinance which is very similar to this one. Hanson commented that his main concern has always been that the town have control of their own township. Once you give up your authority you never get it back and the county, state or country don't necessarily understand Gilman's needs. The subdivision roads we have are terrible. Ross stated that you can remedy that with a driveway or road ordinance and not a subdivision ordinance.

Steve Price – Who in the township is going to supervise the subdivision plan? You are going to need engineers or trained professionals to handle the service, water, erosion etc. He don't think the town has the professionals. Attorney Munkittrick says that part of the ordinance is that the town has the power to hire professionals and the developer has to pay.

Tony Huppert – The County has 15 acres and the town has 20 acres – is that just a figure pulled out of a hat?. Caroljean commented that 20 acres would control sprawl in the township. Caroljean indicated they had looked at other subdivisions, not sure which ones, as they looked at many. She felt it subjects more subdivisions to the ordinance and the purpose is to try to manage the development as it occurs. Tony – I agree with Ross & Steve on that. I've been in business for thirty years and sat in on lawsuits and residential and businesses will take it, not agriculture. Ross indicated he never got a good reason for 20 acres other than the sprawl issue. He thinks it is wasting good age land.

Keith Nichols – Curiosity highlights – What is this ordinance doing that the county one isn't? Tom Rauch pointed out that there are things the developer has to agree to in our ordinance more than the county one does. Road inspections are to be made at each step. Caroljean commented that Pierce County ordinance has many things that are not in the ordinance, just decisions made by Land Management, while ours spells out everything. Keith then asked if he was a developer would he have to submit plans to both the county and the town and pay for engineers for both. Attorney says that is the town's option and how to process the situation is their decision

Tracy Peterson – Lives in Sorenson subdivision in last house. He wishes the subdivision would have been in effect when he bought the place. He would like to see something done, so he don't have to pay for fixing his road, plowing etc. Don Nellessen suggested the people hire an attorney and go after the developer.

Loren commented that we have substandard roads already, so why would we want to build more or let more be built.

Suzanne Baker – After hearing what she has heard so far, it is better to keep the decision closer to home and is in favor of the subdivision ordinance.

Don Nellessen asked if you are using the subdivision as a chief tool to guide future development? Hanson answered, "Yes it will be the chief tool." He then presented the Board with the following petition signed by 23 people in the Town of Gilman: The following residents of Gilman Township, Wisconsin, do not want a Town of Gilman Subdivision Ordinance. After seeing the petition Ross Christopherson asked to sign it also. Loren accepted the petitions and asked that it be entered into the record.

Someone asked if the 20 acres could be changed. . Nellessen stated that he felt 5 acres would be okay. He said we are just opening up to lawsuits. Tom commented that it could be amended and what they proposed was just a draft.

Caroljean commented that the six people looked at 5 or 6 ordinances, talked to Andy Pichotta of Land Management and felt that we got the best of the best. Attorney commented that as you find things that need changing, they can be changed and that you need to start somewhere. Caroljean says we don't have any say at the table if we don't have an ordinance and that all involved people have the same plan to work with.

Don commented that he had talked to Any Pichotta and that we don't have to issue the driveway permits if we are not satisfied with what they want to do. We would only be duplicating our efforts with an ordinance.

Tony Huppert – It makes us look like the residents of Gilman don't give a damm/ You commented that people didn't come to the Planning Commission meeting and maybe that is because they didn't care or want a subdivision ordinance. Lorne asked why the ones who signed the petition didn't come to the meetings and Tony replied - How do you contribute when you don't want it? Hanson commented that people never indicated to the Planning Commission that they never wanted it. Ross asked if any people did come and help them. Hanson indicated no. Caroljean commented that there were a few.

Keith Nichols – He commented that he did not pay enough attention to the newspapers, but Mr. Huppert did not speak for him. He said he still did not know if there was a need or not, but Mr. Huppert does not speak for anybody else.

There being no one else wanting to speak, Hanson thanked everyone for their comments and closed the meeting. Nellessen moved to close the hearing, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

#### Gilman Town Board Minutes November 14, 2012

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 14, 2012 at the town hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Sue Thompson, Dale Strom, Ken Ruppert, Dan Seifert, Tony Huppert and Margy Balwierz. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Hanson moved that the agenda be amended to include the appointment of a new Planning Commission member, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In the minutes as printed, Hanson asked for a correction stating that the \$15,000. was for equipment replacement, not repair. With this correction Traynor moved to approve minutes, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer Bartlett reported an ending balance of \$156,663.57. She indicated she had run out of checks, so some got cashier's checks and the rest would be issued when she got the new checks. She asked about the dogs at Beavans and said that the sheriff had given her a week to get them vaccinated. Richelle received a check for the license, but no vaccination papers. She had a vet appointment on 11-6-12, but she never went and it was now 8 days later and felt we should just issue citations. After discussion Lorne moved to approve writing citations for the 4 dogs, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Hanson asked to have a sheriff's deputy go with him to deliver citations and the Board agreed. Nellessen moved to approve treasurer's report, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Nellessen moved to approve all bills printed and additional bills of \$4104.90 to Timm Oil, \$31.06 for Hanson mileage and Strom's wages of \$1261.00 and any remaining bills when checks come in, Traynor seconded and on oral vote motion carried.

In Public Input Tony Huppert asked if the budget hearing prep meeting at clerk's house was published or posted. Clerk indicated no, as she didn't know it was necessary. He informed her that the Attorney General said it was, so Sue agreed to check and if so, she would notice it for the next time.

Hanson stated he had appointed Dan Seifert to the Planning Commission to fill the vacant term of Tracy Peterson. Nellessen indicated he would like to see a farmer or business person on the Commission. Hanson stated he had contacted a couple of famers, but none were interested.

Hanson stated that a representative from Ayres would be at the December meeting to explain about the 290<sup>th</sup> St. project.

Thompson presented a renewal questionnaire from our insurance company and Hanson agreed to go over it and get back to the insurance company.

Nellessen moved to approve the assessor's contract, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Clerk heard nothing from the building inspector on his contract. She did ask about a family woo registered to vote with the same address as Alan Sukowatey and when they drove by the Sukowatey farm, she noticed a trailer house north of the farm house. Hanson to check with county on the trailer house.

Hanson mentioned frac sand mining and said he thought we should at least think about it. Nellessen stated that you can't have cheap gas without fracing and he felt we should work with them. Hanson felt that maybe the Board should put a moratorium on it. Nothing decided.

Strom reported the ditches are mowed, the truck ready for snow. He had talked to the Corp of Engineers and they wanted to continue with us doing the plowing. He reported he had gotten two prices for a new mower - \$11,000 from Value Implement in Ellsworth and \$10,000 from John Deere. Nothing decided.

Nellessen moved to approve operator's license for Amber Gaddy, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Nellessen indicated we should have the attorney at the Subdivision Hearing and possibly Andy Pichotta from Pierce County Land Management. Lorne will contact Tom Rauch, Planning Commission chairman, and have him make arrangements.

Bartlett got her video camera and checked it to see if we could hear the discussions. Because we have such a poor microphone, we were trying her video camera for the Subdivision Hearing to help the clerk with the minutes. She indicated it might work if we put it in a different spot.

There being no further business, Traynor moved to adjourn, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Respectfully submitted,

#### Gilman Town Board Minute October 10, 2012

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 10, 2012 at the town hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson, Supervisors Traynor & Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett Patrolman Dale Strom, Kenneth Ruppert, Andrea Wieland, Tom Rauch, Jim French and Mickey Mattison. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Nellessen moved to approve the minutes of the September 12<sup>th</sup> meeting and the September 24<sup>th</sup> Special meeting, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer reported an ending balance of \$148,232.04 indicating we still had Highway aids and some shared revenue to come. Traynor moved to approve treasurer's report, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Nellessen moved to approve the list of bills submitted along with add'l bills for wages for Traynor, liquor license refund to First National Bank of River Falls and preliminary work from Ayres Associates. Hanson presented a check for \$30.75 from Kadinger's for the tire rims and reported about the additional amount for the truck repair. Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In Public Input Hanson reported that due to the problems before they would only take questions and comments from the public in this part of the meeting. No one present had any comments.

Hanson reported on the fire contract stating that they were putting \$15,000.00 into the budget for 2013 for equipment repair. He presented their budget and our share is \$40,961.00. He also reviewed the request from the Village regarding the donation and changing it to a corporation. After discussion, Board decided Hanson should not sign the proposal made, only something that said they should form a corporation.

After discussing dates for the Subdivision Public Hearing they decided on November 28 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. Hanson also reported that they needed to replace Tracy Peterson on the Planning Commission and he had a candidate who was interested. Put on the agenda for next month.

In regards to the budget, the Board will meet at the clerk's home to work on the budget at 7:00 p.m. on October 30th with the Public Hearing set for 7:00 p.m. on November 12, 2012 at the Town Hall.

The Board had talked last year about doing a re-assessment this year. After discussion it was decided not to do one – just go with the contract the assessor presents. Put on agenda for next month.

They decided to put the building inspector contract discussion next month.

In road report Strom reported that the County hoped to start on the 490<sup>th</sup> project next week. He also reported that both hydraulic rams on the loader broke when working on the stump removal. Now sure yet if it is covered under warranty.

Nellessen moved to approve operator licenses for Julie Karlstad, Johnathon Cook and Michelle Hayes, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Barttlett asked if the dogs at Bivens were taken care of as she had not gotten a license for them. Traynor indicated no, that he had forgotten about it. Traynor and Hanson to check on them.

Hanson presented a letter from Chad Johnson of the Pierce County Highway Dept. stating we had to post the bridge on 450<sup>th</sup> St. at 15 ton. Hanson had the report from Ayers from before that indicated it was okay. He will check with Johnson.

Hanson asked to be reimbursed for mileage for calls he had received from the sheriff's dept. on horses, a tree down and a dog problem even though it was in the township. Board decided he should get mileage.

There being no further business, Traynor moved to adjourn, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Respectfully submitted,

Sue Thompson

#### Gilman Town Board Minutes Special Meeting September 24, 2012

After proper posting a special meeting of the Gilman Town Board was called to order at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, September 24, 2012 at the town hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Attorney Bob Loberg, LaMoine Hanson and Bob McMurrin. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Hanson explained the reason for the special meeting was to inform the Board that the meeting set for the Public Hearing on the Subdivision Ordinance could not be held on October 3<sup>rd</sup> as scheduled, due to a notice did not get put in the paper. He also indicated that the Plan Commission chairman was out of state and unavailable to set up another meeting date. Traynor moved to rescind the motion for the October 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting and set Public Hearing at a later date. Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson apologized for not stopping people from making comments at the last Board meeting and hoped we could get things settled with the clerk. He asked Attorney Loberg to come to the meeting and explain the duties of the clerk, which Mr. Loberg did. He also indicated that if an official refused to serve, the Board could appoint someone else to replace them. He indicated that legally people are not allowed to speak at Board meeting except in Public Input; however, he said most small towns do allow them to make comments, but they must be controlled by the chairman.

Nellessen asked if when a motion at a previous meeting is made, does it have to be rescinded if not carried through. Attorney Loberg said yes. Loberg also indicated you did not necessarily have to have a motion to set a Public Hearing or a special meeting. And he indicated the minutes are a summary of what happened, exact words are not necessary.

Hanson asked Thompson if she was willing to continue under these rules and she indicated yes. There was talk of appointing a deputy clerk, but decided it was not necessary.

There being no further business, Nellessen moved to adjourn, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Respectfully submitted

#### Gilman Town Board Minutes September 12, 2012

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 12 2012 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Supervisors Don Nellessen and Jim Traynor, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Dale Strom, Dan Seifert, Tony Huppert and Tom Rauch. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Nellessen moved to approve the minutes as printed. Tony Huppert interrupted and stated that the question he asked in the Public Input part of the meeting was not stated in the minutes and he wanted it in. Bartlett (who had taken minutes because the clerk was sick) indicated that you did not necessarily put quotes in and that her minutes reflected the reason for the discussion. Huppert insisted the exact quote be put in and finally Nellessen amended his motion to include his question and approve the minutes, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer reported an ending balance of \$261,786.30 and indicated we had received the last half of the taxes, the 2010 flood damage money from the County, Highway aids and a payment from the GAB for an election audit. Traynor moved to approve the report, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Thompson reported additional bills from the ones listed for \$192.30 from Countryside Coop, \$45.00 stamps for the clerk, \$171.43 from Gateway Publishing and \$11,560.00 from Brooke Excavating for work on 33oth St, plus a correction to Hanson's check. Traynor moved to approve all bills, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Public Input: Tony Huppert asked why we didn't put the time and place of the meeting in our agenda notice in the paper. Thompson stated that they are always at the same time and place and did not see the need. Huppert insisted it be on, so clerk will put it in here after.

Subdivision Ordinance: Hanson explained that they had gotten a final copy from the Planning Commission just that morning and that no one had had time to review it. Nellessen asked why the lawyer wasn't at the meeting. Huppert jumped in and said that there was a motion approved at last month's meeting to have her here. Hanson did not respond, so Thompson started to explain the procedures for passing a subdivision ordinance, what her and Hanson had talked about and Nellessen and Huppert kept breaking in or speaking over her, about the lawyer being there and who made the decision not to have her there. After a few minutes of this rudeness, Clerk Thompson left the meeting in tears and said she was done with the job.

Submitted by Sue Thompson

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After Clerk said she quit and left, treasurer left. Minutes were taken by Supervisor Nellessen.

Public hearing subdivision ordinance set for October 3, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall. Motion Loren, second Jim, Nellessen abstained. Motion carried. Attorney at October 10, 2012 meeting.

Fire Department update/ incorporation is recommended/ grants applied for/suits vehicle and equipment. Loren motion, Jim second. Change from association to corporation. Motion carried.

Transfer liquor license at Red Barn to JC Red Barn. Motion Jim, second Loren, Motion carried.

Operator license application. Jeanee Palin, Jesse Streater, Cassandra Bengston, Brooke Hines. Motion Loren, Second Jim. Motion carried.

Meeting time changed to 7:00 p.m. for town board meetings. Motion Jim, second Don. Vote carried.

330<sup>th</sup> construction finished for now. Write letter to Jeremy Donath to fix and seed ditch he dug up.

Road report. Bridge and culverts 490<sup>th</sup> a go and okayed.

Truck Repair. Patched Box, repaint box and frame. Replace all 4 cracked rear rims. Given the ok.

Removal of stumps on 670<sup>th</sup> and 690<sup>th</sup> awarded to Nick Brooke up to \$6.000. Motion Jim Second Loren. Vote carried.

Motion to adjourn. Motion Don, second Jim, Vote carried. Don Nellessen

### Gilman Town Board Minutes August 8, 2012 Corrected Minutes

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30pm on Wednesday August 8, 2012 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Supervisors Don Nellessen and Jim Traynor, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Dale Strom, Tony Huppert, Tom Rauch, Mickey Mattison and Andrea Wieland. Clerk Sue Thompson was absent from the meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Don Nellessen moved to approve minutes of the July 11<sup>th</sup> meeting as printed, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Treasurer reported an ending balance of \$169,413.27. She indicated that the Town's share of the fire dues distribution, Highway aides, Share Revenue, and Exempt Computer Aide had been received from the State of WI.

Treasurer Bartlett reported that the Clerk had received additional bills from Timm Oil, Jim Traynor for helping Dale with road maintenance, and Patrolman Strom's wages. Traynor moved to approve all bills submitted, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Public input: Tony Huppert asked the question "Has anybody asked for a subdivision ordinance" and Hanson said no. Tony Huppert expressed his deep concern with the Planning Commission, its duties, and the drafting of the Subdivision Ordinance. A heated discussion took place about the Subdivision Ordinance in connection with its usefulness to townships and liabilities acquired. Chairman Hanson gave an update on the fire contract with the Spring Valley Fire Association. The Village has agreed to pay the Association \$33,120.42 to resolve the issue of vehicle replacement funds. Supervisor Nellessen requested that board members of the townships that are in the Fire Association be kept updated by having the Fire Association Board's minutes mailed to them. Chairman Hanson mentioned that at the last Association meeting. Attorney O'Sullivan went over options and the pros/cons of a Corporation vs. Association. He also went over the options of lease vs. purchase of the fire dept. building.

In regards to the Flood Damage, Chairman Hanson read through the letter from Paul Gingras from the WI DOT. The letter indicates that the township is not eligible for reimbursement therefore Hanson feels there is nothing more we can do for recourse.

It was reported that the Emergency Call System phones haven't arrived yet. If we order the phones now, we lock in a lower price that is being offered. Traynor motioned that we get the ECS in place. Nellessen seconded the motion, and by oral vote, motion carried. Bids for putting Central Air Conditioning in at the town hall were looked over. Gunderson Heating bid came in at \$2126.00. Rush River Mechanical bid came to \$2300.00. Hanson indicated that Gunderson Heating got the job and Jeremiah Gunderson said that he'd have the air conditioner in before the primary election on Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>.

The handicap parking spot still hadn't been finished by Asphalt Maintenance. Hanson said he had been in contact with them and was assured that the work would be completed by Aug 14<sup>th.</sup>

Supervisor Nellessen motioned that the Board should 'throw it out' in regards to the Subdivision Ordinance that was drafted by the Planning Commission. Motion dies for lack of second. Nellessen stated that he feels the Subdivision Ordinance will be putting the Gilman Board first in line for a lawsuit if the board were to approve and pass it. If we have issues with road specifications for subdivisions in our township we should improve or change our road ordinance. Chairman Hanson stated that he felt that we need to put regulations in place for our township instead of letting Pierce County's subdivision ordinance dictate what is going to happen in our township. Nellessen wanted a copy of the letter the WI Towns Association sent to us in regards to Subdivision Ordinances. Tom Rauch recommended that we invite Catherin Munkittric to our next board meeting and the Board can ask her questions based on the proposed Subdivision Ordinance. Supervisor Traynor motioned to have Ms. Munkittric come to our next meeting. Hanson seconded, and on oral vote motion carried. Traynor, Hanson –aye Nellessen- Nye. Tony Huppert suggested that Andy Pichotta from Pierce County Land Management come to the meeting also. Tom will contact Ms. Munkittric. The Board will adjust the agenda to put her on after the minutes at approx. 7:45pm.

Traynor suggested that we consider a time change for our monthly board meetings for an earlier time.

Patrolman Strom reported that the work on 330<sup>th</sup> St is going well. We are waiting for Nick Brooke to haul dirt in on the north end and then the road will be complete for what we are doing for the time being. John Deere came and changed oil on the grader. Lorne mentioned the Pierce County Highway Department bill for replacing culverts was \$1400.00 more than was estimated in the bid by them.

Nellessen moved to approve the 3 operator's licenses that were presented by employees of Team Oil. Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In regards to the horses on 850<sup>th</sup>, the Board cannot issue citations for 'animals at large' as requested by town resident. Hanson indicated that he'd been in contact with Jim Kleinhans of PC Land Management and he was going to go out and look at the property sometime next week.

Mike Hayes is concerned about a trailer house that has been placed within a few inches of his property line. Chairman Hanson referred him to Jim Kleinhans.

In reference to the dog issue that has arisen in the town, Traynor and Hanson will get together and go over to the residence to check out the situation. Treasurer Bartlett is to contact them if no one has paid a license for the dog by August 10.

A mosquito notice regarding West Nile virus was sent to the Clerk and an ATC petition for the board to look at regarding transmission lines crossing the state. No action taken.

There being no further business Nellessen motioned to adjourn around 9:15pm. Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Respectfully submitted,

Richelle Bartlett, Treasurer

## Gilman Town Board Minutes July 11, 2012

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 11, 2012 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Supervisors Don Nellessen and Jim Traynor, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Dale Strom, Mickey Mattison, Tony Huppert and Andrea Wieland. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Nellessen moved to approve minutes of June 12<sup>th</sup> meeting as printed, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer reported an ending balance of \$164,125.20 indicating we had received highway aids already in July and that all dogs were licensed. Hanson reported he had received a call about a dog on the Mary Fritsch property being on the neighbors. He is trying to get a name and contact them about it. Nellessen moved to approve treasurer's report, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Thompson reported she had additional bills from Johnson Sanitation, Fire Extinguishing Services and mileage for Hanson to add to the list presented. Nellessen moved to approve all bills submitted, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There was no public input.

Hanson reported he had talked to Ayres about the 290<sup>th</sup> St. project and they need to know if the road is 3 or 4 rods wide. He also informed them to hold off on anything until we had official approval of the TRID money from the State.

Hanson reported he had talked to the WI. Towns Association attorney about a citizen trying to collect some flood damage money for the town. The attorney had never heard of it, but did not recommend it. Hanson also presented a report from Paul Gingras, Flood Damage Aid Coordinator which indicated why we were not eligible, mainly because we did not have to close the roads to traffic. Nellessen felt we should hire an attorney and go over the head of Mr. Gingras and go up to the governor if needed. He felt we should get something. Andrea Wieland asked if the Planning Commission could look into applying for grants for road work or different things. Traynor felt we should use this as a learning lesson of what to do next time. No decision made. Subject dropped for lack of a motion of any kind.

Patrolman Strom reported that Nick Brooke will start taking the sod off 330<sup>th</sup> St. next Monday with the road work to start the following week. He also reported he and Supervisor Traynor had checked out a report about a culvert on 690<sup>th</sup> Ave just west of 410<sup>th</sup> St. They decided a new culvert was definitely needed. He also reported about needing some filler teeth on the grader so the big rocks don't get caught in them. It would take 4 at a cost of \$69.00 each. It was decided he should go ahead and get them.

The attorney returned the Subdivision Ordinance with suggestions for some changes. The Planning Commission is to meet and decide what to do and then present an ordinance to the Board for a public hearing and approval at a later date.

Traynor moved to approve an operator's license for Elisabeth Hokanson, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There being no further business Nellessen moved to adjourn at 8:30 p.m., Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

## Gilman Town Board Minute June 13, 2012

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 13, 2012 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Dale Strom, Ken Ruppert, Brian Ducklow, Larry Johnson, Doug Stockwell, Linda Nelson, Tony Huppert, Andrea Wieland, Vicky Weis and Ame Lawsen. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Nellessen moved to approve the May 9<sup>th</sup> Regular meeting, May 12<sup>th</sup>, Board of Canvassers meeting and May 19<sup>th</sup> Board of Review meeting minutes, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer reported an ending balance of \$185,550.45. She presented a list of delinquent dog licenses and indicated she had sent a letter indicating if they were not paid, they would be issued a citation. Traynor moved to approve the treasurer's report, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In addition to bills printed, additional bills were presented from Big Rivers Insurance, Sue Thompson for supplies, Brooke Excavating, Pierce County Highway Dept. Timm Oil and payroll for Jim Traynor and Dale Strom. Nellessen moved to approve all bills presented, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In public input, some residents asked what the situation was on  $490^{\text{th}}$  St. that we share with Martell Township. Hanson indicated there was a bridge that had to be replaced before they could do any repairs on the road. They wanted to know when we were going to use dust control and were informed that it was on order and we had no control over when they came. They also asked about the grass being cut and Strom indicated that this year it was Martell's responsibility. They also asked how roads are prioritized for blacktop. Hanson reported that they had a goal set years ago about getting everyone within  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile of blacktop, but with the cost of blacktopping it was hard to do more than one mile a year and sometimes we had other repairs we needed to do.

Larry Peterson of the Pierce County ATV Association updated us on the new Wisconsin Statutes about ATV's and UTV's needing a license plate and UTV's being allowed on ATV trails. He provided a copy of an amendment from another township to use as an example of how we would have to amend ours. After discussion Traynor moved to amend our ordinance per the copy we received to include UTV's on the ATV' trails, Nellessen seconded. Hanson asked for a roll call vote. Vote as follows: Hanson, Nay; Traynor, Aye; Nellessen, Aye. Motion carried. Clerk to write up amendment to ordinance.

Tony Huppert volunteered he was willing to try to get some flood damage money from 2 years ago when we were denied any payment for 1/3 of the amount he collected. Hanson indicated that he did not know if it would be legal to do something like that and that he would like to check with Wisconsin Towns Association before anything was done. Huppert felt that whatever he could get was better than nothing and that someone should have pursued this further when we were turned down. Huppert indicated that he felt it was something that maybe the Planning Commission should look into. After discussion, it was decided to have Hanson check with Wisconsin Towns and report back next month.

Chairman Hanson had received a request for a "Children at Play" sign from one of the residents. After discussion Traynor moved to deny the sign, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson had received information from Ayres Associates about being the civil engineer for the road project on 290<sup>th</sup> St. It outlined what would be done and an approximate cost of \$21,000.00. After discussion Hanson moved to accept Ayres contract, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Traynor moved to approve renewal of liquor and tobacco licenses for Country Store & Gas, Team Oil, Inc. and liquor license for First National Bank of River Falls, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Traynor moved to approve all operator license renewals, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson presented Bridge Petition forms from Pierce County for bridge work of 335,204.00 for one on 450th St. and 16,624.00 for one on 330th St. The County will share this cost. After discussion Nellessen moved to have culverts on the above streets with  $330^{th}$  St as soon as possible, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Hanson had a quotation from Brooke Excavating for 6,160.00 to prep ditches, fertilize, seed and mulch and moved that we accept the bid, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson presented a bid for \$1656.00 from Asphalt Maintenance to update the handicap parking area. Nellessen moved to accept the bid, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There being no further business, Traynor moved to adjourn, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Respectfully submitted,

## Board of Review Minutes May 19, 2012

At 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 19, 2012 Chairman Lorne Hanson called to Board of Review to order. Present were Hanson, Jim Traynor Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Sue Thompson and assessor Jack Owen. The entire proceeding is being recorded.

Traynor moved to appoint Lorne Hanson as chairman, Bartlett seconded. Traynor moved to close nomination and cast a unanimous ballot, Bartlett seconded and on oral vote motion carried.

Clerk certified the meeting was posted and published. It was established that Hanson and Traynor were Board of Review certified.

Clerk certified assessment roll was received on April 2, 2012 and that she had reviewed it for errors. She indicated Open Book was held on April 26, 2012 and it also was properly posted and published. She stated the book was signed by the assessor. The assessor stated that we were assessed at 105%.

At this point there were no objectors, so the recording was turned off.

At 10:00 a.m. there still had been no objectors, so the recording was turned back on and Hanson declared the Board of Review closed.

Respectfully submitted,

### Gilman Town Board Minutes May 9, 2012

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m., on Wednesday, May 9, 2012 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Patrolman Dale Strom, Ken Ruppert, Mickey Mattison, Larry Johnson, Andrea Wieland and Tony Huppert. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Hanson pointed out in the April 11, 2012 minutes that regarding the Farmland Preservation zoning, it should be as ag land, not prime ag land. After the correction Traynor moved to approve the April 11, regular minutes and the April 17, 2012 special meeting on road work minutes, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Bartlett reported an ending balance of \$195,752.72 indicating we had received the transportation aids and Lottery Credit. She is still working on the delinquent dog list. Traynor moved to approve treasurer's report, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Additional bills of mileage for Lorne and Pierce County Highway charges were submitted. Nellessen moved to approve all bills, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In public input, Larry Johnson of the Pierce County ATV Association informed us about the new law allowing UTV's to drive on ATV trails. He asked if we wanted to allow this and if so we would need to change our ordinance to reflect that. He asked us to put it on the agenda for next month.

Thompson presented Ordinance No. 2012-1 to Extend Town Officer Terms in Response to Election Law Changes for approval. Nellessen moved to approve the ordinance, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson reported we received TRID money for reworking the hill on  $290^{\text{th}}$  St. at  $650^{\text{th}}$  Ave.; therefore we would lose the TRIP money designated for the  $730^{\text{th}}$  Ave,  $450^{\text{th}}$  St. and  $690^{\text{th}}$  Ave. project. With the TRID money, there has to be an engineer and private bids, not just the county, which means we probably wouldn't have to be faced with the bill until 2013. Because of this there was discussion on what we could still do this year. It was indicated that the approximate cost for the breaker rock and gravel for the  $330^{\text{th}}$  St. project was \$53,000.00. Strom reported he had already started with the culverts on  $730^{\text{th}}$  Ave,  $450^{\text{th}}$  St. and  $690^{\text{th}}$  Ave. Hanson felt that our priority should be new culverts on  $490^{\text{th}}$  St. south of the Red Barn. It was also reported that Martell was getting help from the County for a box culvert on  $490^{\text{th}}$  St. which we share with Martell. After discussion it was decided to go ahead with the culverts, the  $330^{\text{th}}$  St. project and hold off on removing the stumps until fall.

Hanson reported he had a call from a citizen about his neighbor attaching an electric fence to his post and the post was leaning. He wanted Hanson to do something about it or maybe have our lawyer write a letter. After discussion, it was decided that the citizen should contact his lawyer and follow up on his own.

Nellessen asked if the generator on the fire department was hooked up. Hanson advised he did not know but would bring it up at the fire association meeting.

Hanson presented a census questionnaire to the clerk to complete and summit.

There being no further business, Traynor moved to adjourn, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

## Special Meeting on Road Work April 17, 2012

After proper posting a special meeting was held at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 17, 2012 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Lorne Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen and Patrolman Dale Strom.

Chairman Hanson called the meeting to order and explained the purpose of the meeting was to make some different decisions on road work for the summer. He indicated they were going to blacktop on 450<sup>th</sup> and that Jim Traynor and Dale Strom had checked the bridges on the road and found a box culvert on 450th that was falling apart.

After discussion they decided they needed all culverts on 730<sup>th</sup> Ave, 450<sup>th</sup> St. and 690<sup>th</sup> Ave before blacktopping it.

They also discussed and decided to reconstruct 1 mile of 330<sup>th</sup> north of Hwy. 29 with new culverts, breaker and crushed rock. Some of the culverts will have to be 36" culverts, so should get help from the County.

It was also discussed and decided to dig out all stumps on 690<sup>th</sup> Ave and 670<sup>th</sup> Ave.

It was reported that the cost to paint the truck box is \$2400. not \$800 as previously thought.

These minutes were reported to the clerk by Patrolman Strom as the clerk was sick and did not attend.

Respectfully submitted,

### Gilman Town Board Minutes April 11, 2012

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m., on Wednesday, April 11, 2012 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlettt, Patrolman Dale Strom, Tom Rauch and Tony Huppert. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Hanson moved to amend the agenda to include 7A to address the legality of motions made at the Annual Meeting the previous night. Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Nellessen moved to approve the minutes as printed, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer Bartlett reported an ending balance of \$180,542.13. She also presented a breakdown of the taxes collected for 2012. Nellessen moved to approve the treasurer's report, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Traynor moved to approve all bills as printed plus an additional bill of \$118.00 from the Eau Claire Humane Society, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Clerk Thompson presented information she had after talking to Todd Dolan, building inspector. She indicated we were not interested in having him do commercial properties. He stated that requiring a permit renewal fee on all premises older than 2 years, the cost would be \$25.00 if the original fee was under \$400.00 and \$75.00 if over \$400.00. He also asked about changing the amount of altering a building. After much discussion and determining that our contract was not due for renewal until December 2012, Nellessen moved to send him the information about our denying commercial properties and renewal fees and discuss it when he sends us a new contract in December. Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson reported he had talked to Wisconsin Towns Association about the legality of the motions made at the Annual Meeting the previous night, indicating that making those motions was not a power of the annual meeting. A copy of the clerk's e-mail and reply from Wisconsin Towns Association attorney is attached to these minutes.

After discussion, Nellessen moved to have an attorney look at the subdivision ordinance and then set a date for a public hearing, Hanson seconded and on a roll call vote as follows; Nellessen, aye; Hanson, aye; Traynor, nay, motion carried. Hanson to take ordinance to an attorney in River Falls. Tom Rauch to get Hanson the name of the attorney.

Hanson reported they had no prices on redoing 2-3 miles. He indicated we would get TRIP funds of \$21,591.58 for 3500 feet of roadway. Discussion brought out that they might have to mill the road first. Strom also indicated we had stumps to get rid of first. Decided we should get prices of removing stumps by the hour. Hanson indicated we would not be getting any TRID money.

Hanson reported on the Farmland Preservation presentation and felt we should be zoned as prime ag. Nellessen strongly indicated that noting in Gilman is prime ag. Traynor felt we should get it designated as farm area and then you could get into Farmland Preservation.

Strom reported the weight limit signs were down.

After discussion it was decided to let the 4-H Club clean up the town hall yard as part of their project.

Hanson moved to approve operator's licenses as submitted, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Strom reported no patching had been done yet as the motor on the machine they used broke down plus they found a hole in the floor and they don't know if they will fix it. He indicated Martell Township has an option on a used one for \$9,000 and would like to know if Gilman would like to share it. After discussion, Nellessen moved to rent it from the, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There being no further business, Nellessen moved to adjourn, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

## Town of Gilman Annual Meeting Minutes April 10, 2012

The annual meeting of the Town of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 10, 2012 at the Gilman Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Clerk Sue Thompson, Dale Strom, Don Nellessen, Mickey Mattison, Jim Traynor, Richelle Bartlett, Bob McMurrin, Tony Huppert, Andrea Wieland, Isaac Nellessen, and Larry Hurtgen. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

The minutes of the 2011 annual meeting were read. Bartlett indicated a correction was needed in the sixth paragraph changing the word "insured" to "assured". With this correction Nellessen moved to approve the minutes, Bartlett seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Chairman Hanson thanked Sue & Richelle (clerk & treasurer) for keeping such good books and always being on top of things. He thanked Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen (supervisors) for their assistance on the Board. And a special thank you to Dale Strom and Dewey Anderson for keeping the snow plowed and the roads in good shape.

Traynor moved to set the 2013 annual meeting for the third Tuesday in April, 2013, being April 16<sup>th</sup>. It had to be changed because of new election rules and when the Board terms ended starting in 2013. Strom seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Bartlett moved to keep WESTconsin Credit Union as the official bank, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Traynor moved to continue with dust control on the roads, Wieland seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson reported on the new fire association indicating it was going well. Terry Shafer is the chief and Mike Fitzgerald is handling the books. They had to purchase a new computer because before all the work was done in the Village of Spring Valley Office and the old computer would not handle the bookkeeping system. They had a motor go out on a pumper, which cost about \$4,000 to repair, but Hanson indicated we would not be assessed separately for this.

They did not designate an official newspaper, but elected to continue printing notices in the Sun-Argus and the Valley Values Shopper and mail notices to taxpayers with Beldenville addresses.

In reference to the annual report, Hanson asked if they felt \$75.00for a driveway permit was sufficient. All agreed it was. Thompson also indicated that we would not be getting the \$54.00 reimbursement for election hours from 7:00 to 9:00, because the State government did not approve it in their budget. There being no further questions or comments, Wieland moved to approve the annual report, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson reported on the road work done last year and also indicated that we probably would only get flood damage money for 850<sup>th</sup> Ave, where the road was closed.

Hanson asked for any other business and Tony Huppert moved to have any future ordinances to be adopted must be a unanimous vote by the Board, Don Nellessen seconded. In discussion Wieland asked if it would be legal to demand a unanimous vote for only ordinances and not for any other actions the Board might take. Thompson agreed it might not be legal and said she would check into it the next day. Huppert agreed to add the words "if legal" to his motion. Roll call vote was taken with 6 ayes, 4 nays and 2 undecided. Motion carried.

Huppert then moved to get two (2) bids for each piece of equipment – truck, grader and tractor – by October  $1^{st}$  of each year. Don Nellessen seconded. In discussion, Hanson indicated he did not feel we could afford to buy new equipment, so why get bids. Huppert explained that if you could trade in old equipment for a minimal price, why not do it. On oral vote, motion carried.

There being no further business, Nellessen moved to adjourn, Huppert seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Respectfully submitted,

Sue Thompson, Clerk

NOTE: Clerk Thompson checked with Wisconsin Towns Association the next day on the Huppert motions and they determined that the motions were not an annual meeting power as listed in Sec. 60.10 of the Wisconsin Statutes. Thompson informed the Board at their regular board meeting on April 11, 2012 which Mr. Huppert attended also.

## Gilman Town Board Minutes March 14, 2012

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m., on Wednesday, March 14, 2012 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Patrolman Dale Strom, Larry L. Johnson, Tony Huppert, Tom Rauch, Andrea Wieland and Ruth Esanbock. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Traynor moved to approve minutes as printed. Nellessen said they needed to be corrected to include mention of a letter regarding TEAM Oil liquor license application. Traynor moved to include correction with his motion, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer reported an ending balance of \$199,639.12 which included the February tax settlement with the county. Nellessen moved to approve treasurer's report, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

A list of bills was submitted for approval. The only additional bill was for wages for Traynor. Bartlett reported that the assessor had not cashed their January check and asked to replace it as they indicated they had no idea where it was. Nellessen moved to approve all bills and replace check, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In public input, Tony Huppert asked if the retroactive date was taken out of the insurance policy. Thompson indicated it was per an email from the agent. Huppert also asked if we are getting any disaster aid. Hanson replied that we had applied, but have not heard anything and that he would follow up on it.

In reference to the ATV Ordinance renewal, Nellessen moved to amend the ordinance to be self-renewing each year with the same stipulations. Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Tom Rauch reported on the Subdivision ordinance indicating after the second meeting with Andy Pichotta of Land Management, Pichotta suggested we tailor ours ordinance after Trenton instead of Clifton, which they worked on, but got blogged down on the road standards division and that part needed to be re-worked. Lenarz redrafted it and felt it was ready to pass, but not all committee members agreed, so they need more meetings. Huppert commented that Trenton had got sued, so why do we want to get involved in something like that when the town has the liability. Hanson indicated they would consider it.

Hanson reported on the fire association and that they had a major breakdown on the pumper. Nellessen asked if the lease has been completed yet. Hanson said no, but that they were working on it.

Thompson reported she had checked with the State and was informed that they could not have both types of licenses in that premise. She had informed TEAM Oil of the State's response and reported that TEAM Oil had withdrawn the liquor license application. Huppert asked for a copy of that letter and Hanson informed him that since the application was withdrawn, he felt there was no need to keep the letter and he had thrown it away.

In reference to the building inspector inquiry, Nellessen stressed that he should not inspect commercial buildings. They were not sure what the other things were for, so he suggested he have Mr. Dolan attend a meeting to explain. No action taken.

Thompson reported Assessor Owen had contacted her and had set May 19, 2012 from 8 to 10 a.m. for Board of Review with Open Book earlier, when he could work it in.. Nellessen had indicated he wanted it in June, but Owen had no open dates the, so Nellessen said he would not be there; he'd be in the fields. Traynor moved to approve May 19<sup>th</sup> for Board of Review, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Traynor moved to approve Richelle Bartlett as Don's alternate and Mary Anderson as a second alternate, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Strom reported he had a lot of salted sand left, but he would be hauling it to Spring Lake Town Shop as they have a big tarp and dirt base that they could cover it along with theirs. Nellessen said to go ahead and move it, before inspection. Strom indicated he had taken the blade off the new grader and it has metric sockets. He indicated he has some metric tools, but had no need for any that big and wanted to know if the Town would purchase the wrenches and sockets they need, as they would also need them in the future. Traynor moved to approve the town buying the needed socket and open-end wrench sets, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Thompson presented a letter from Luhman's dust control and one from Kraemer with costs for the coming year. She also presented a letter from Brad Roy about a Farmland Preservation revamping maps meeting. Hanson had received the same letter and talked to Mr. Roy and set up a meeting for March 28, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. Clerk to publish and post meeting.

Hanson presented a Public Hearing notice for Daiyland Power on March 21st at 7:00 in the County Board Room.

There being no further business, Traynor moved to adjourn, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted Sue Thompson, Clerk

#### Gilman Town Board Minutes February 8, 2012

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 8, 2012 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Patrolman Dale Strom, Ken Ruppert, Bill Emerson, Alan Sukowatey, Terry Williams, Steve Andrews, Tina M. Smeby, Eric Huppert, Michele Huppert, Mickey Mattison, Andrea Wieland and Ross Christopherson. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Nellessen moved to amend the agenda to allow the Board to act on item #10 - liquor licenses. Motion died for lack of a second. Hanson moved to amend agenda to include a Dairyland Power representative present a Conditional Use Permit and have the Board act on it, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Nellessen did not vote.

Nellessen moved to approve the minutes of the January 11<sup>th</sup> meeting as printed, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer reported an ending balance of \$448,340.15 indicating we had received the Highway Aids and that she would be settling the taxes with the County on Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup>. Nellessen moved to approve the treasurer's report, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Besides the list of bills presented, there were additional bills of \$1669.07 from Pierce Co. for salted sand, \$1979.32 from Timm Oil for fuel, \$20.00 for Dal Strom for gas for the chain saw, \$579.90 wages for Jim Traynor and per diem payments for the Planning Commission members. Nellessen moved to approve all bills, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In Public Input, Mickey Mattison asked if the Board had considered buying their own fuel tank for the shop and then they could shop and bargain for the price of fuel. After discussion it was decided that the cost of a 1,000 tank now was just too expensive.

Hanson reported that the new Fire Association was up and running and doing well. He indicated that Terry Shafer, fire chief and Mike Fitzgerald, assistant chief would be handling the paying of the bills and billing for services. Nellessen asked if they had gotten the details worked about on the lease with the Village of Spring Valley. Hanson indicated they had not, but would be working on it at their next meeting.

Steve Andrews, a representative of Dairyland Power submitted a Conditional Use Permit for a new substation. Hanson indicated that a couple of years ago, he had issued a driveway permit for this location with the understanding that they would be building the substation. After some discussion Hanson moved to approve the Conditional Use Permit, Traynor seconded. Nellessen asked if when they went to Pierce County with the permit if there would be a public hearing. Andrews stated he had not been to the County yet, so he wasn't sure. On oral vote, motion carried.

Hanson reported for the Planning Commission that they had sent the proposed ordinance to Andy Pichotta at Pierce County Land Management. He suggested a couple of changes and Hanson said that Caroljean Coventree was rewriting these changes and then they would be sending a copy to an attorney for final approval before the Board voted on it.

Hanson stated he had a call from Pierce County about a holding tank violation. After checking in out, he found that the company who pumped the tank did not report it to the county, but it since has been done, so everything is okay.

Thompson presented an application for a Class "B" beer and a "Class C" wine license from TEAM Oil, Inc. This would allow beer and wine to be served on the premises. They currently hold a Class "A" beer and a "Class A" intoxicating liquor license for consumption off the premises. Because of the layout of their plans and a previous situation with another company's application, Thompson indicated she did some checking. Wisconsin Towns Attorney informed her that WI Statutes 125.51 (8) states that no person may hold both a "Class A" license and a "Class C" license for the same premises or for connecting premises. The attorney indicated there needed to be a closed door between the two premises or in a totally enclosed area. Nellessen commented that there are many places where they did not have closed off areas like it is stipulated. Eric Huppert indicated that they had checked with the Tavern League and they said nothing about being closed off. Thompson found the 125.51 (8) statue and read it to them and Traynor commented that he and Chairman Hanson would be attending a meeting with the Towns Association on Friday and they would try and get verification of the situation. Huppert asked if the clerk could send a letter to him showing the statutes that apply, so they also could check it out. Hanson presented a letter he had received from a neighbor of the TEAM Oil location strongly urging the Board not to approve the liquor license application. No action taken.

In discussion of the insurance bids from Big Rivers Insurance and Rural Mutual, Nellessen asked if Big Rivers took off the retroactive date. Thompson indicated she had sent an e-mail to the Board members previously from the agent stating that they would erase the retroactive date. Nellessen commented that he had never got the e-mail. After more discussion, Nellessen moved to go with Rural Insurance, since the premium was cheaper. Traynor commented that Rural's figures don't match up with what we have and they didn't explain the coverage very well, therefore he would not seconded the motion. Motion died for lack of a second. Traynor commented that we have had good service and moved to continue with the Big Rivers policy we have, Hanson seconded. Nellessen stated he was still concerned about the retroactive date and what would we do for coverage when someone sued us for something done a few years ago. Vote on the motion was Hanson and Traynor yes and Nellessen no. Motion carried.

Strom reported that he and Jim had been cutting trees and brush in the ditches since there wasn't much snow to plow or sanding to do. He indicated he had talked to Nick Brooke about digging up the stumps and smoothing out the ditches so Dale could mow in the spring for \$150.00 per hour and estimated it would take about 40 hours. Traynor commented that it could possibly be brought up at a future meeting.

Hanson told about a Community Response to Criminal Justice Needs survey he completed. He also suggested the Board attend a Farmland Preservation Plan meeting which will develop broad goals, objectives and policies that will apply countywide and with the understanding that implementation strategies within a given town will be conducted according to the goals and policies of that town. They would be working with Land Management and Land Conservation Departments. Nellessen asked how we can say someone should put their land in Farmland, just because it is good farmland. After more discussion Traynor stated he felt we should meet with them and see what they have to say. Hanson will respond to them.

Hanson received a survey from the Eau Claire Humane Society and asked if we still wanted to continue using them for our stray dogs and cats. The Board felt we should and that Hanson should complete the survey and submit it. Hanson also reported he had sent in the salted sand report.

Thompson reported we heard from the Government Accountability Board thanking us for making our handicapped parking area up to the new standards. They also indicated they would be sending out the supplies ordered – in our case Van Accessible sign – during the week of February  $6^{th}$ .

Thompson brought up the All-Croix building inspection papers and they decided to postpone action until next month.

There being no further business, Nellessen moved to adjourn, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

### Gilman Town Board Meeting Minutes January 11, 2012

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 11, 2012 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Patrolman Dale Strom, John Lenarz, John Olson, Ken Ruppert, Micky Mattison, Tom Jenkins and Tom Rauch. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Traynor moved to approve the minutes for the December 13, regular meeting and December 29<sup>th</sup> special meeting as presented, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Bartlett reported a year ending balance of \$77,611.50. She indicated she had transferred \$6,000.00 to each of the Bridge and Sinking funds. She reported we had received the first highway aids payment and had collected many taxes. She also presented an e-mail from the new Army Corp of Engineers leader about the plowing and sanding of their roads. After getting answers to the questions, Bartlett will reply and Patrolman Strom will contact them and fully explain the situation. Traynor moved to approve the treasurer's report, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Besides the bills listed there were additional bills from Timm Oil, Eau Claire Humane Society, Helmer Printing, Wages for Dale and Jim, mileage and expenses for Lorne, plus a balance due statement from John Deere. Strom could not recall getting anything from John Deere lately, so clerk to check on charges. Hanson moved to pay all bills except John Deere, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There was no public input.

Tom Jenkins from Rural Insurance gave a presentation and quote for insurance coverage for the Town.

John Olson of the Big Rivers Agency presented a renewal quote and explained our coverage. After discussion, Board will look at the quotes and make a decision at the next meeting.

Hanson reported that the fire contract was signed and went into effect January 1, 2012. Since they will be electing officers for the new fire association at a meeting on Monday, January 16, 2012, Hanson will take the check for our share of the budget to the meeting with him.

Tom Rauch reported he had contacted an attorney at Rodli, Beskar, etc. in River Falls about looking over the subdivision ordinance. She suggested we have Pierce County check it over first. He had contacted Andy Pichotta at Pierce County and he will look it over and advise Tom of any concerns he has. Rauch recommended no action be taken tonight. John Lenarz commented that he was very glad that everything was out in the open and discussed to the length it has been.

Road report -Hanson presented the pictures and reports for the TRIP and TRID applications he submitted. Strom asked about possibly purchasing a radio that is connected to the County 911 system, so they can get a hold of him if necessary. He indicated that all other patrolmen that he knew had one. After discussion, Nellessen suggested he get some brochures and additional information and bring it back next month.

Thompson presented a letter and information from All-Croix Inspections, out building inspector, about adding some additional services. Since it was getting late, Nellessen moved to put it on the agenda for next month.

There being no further business, Nellessen moved to adjourn, Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

## Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, December 11, 2013

- 1. A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson.
- 2. *Present at meeting*: Chairman Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Linda Price, Patrolman Dewey Anderson. Also attending: Don Nellessen, Larry Murphy, Lorne Hanson, Andrea Wieland, Mickey Mattison, Randy & Gretchen Thom.
- 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- 4. *Discuss/take action on minutes of 11-13-13 meeting*. Item #13: Phil said Dan Sieffert's resignation should say "from the Planning Commission". Jim moved to approve minutes with changes as mentioned; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- Public comments pertaining to issues not on the agenda:
   \*Don Nellesson inquired about number of taxpayers using our dump facilities. Linda handed him the dump log book for him to investigate that information.
   \*Randy Thom inquired if we knew of any future major highway changes to the intersection of Hwy. 29 and 63 by Red Barn. Ross did not know of any but suggested checking with Pierce County Highway Dept. or DOT.
- 6. *Discuss/take action: Payment of bills*-Jim motioned to pay bills as presented; Phil seconded and on oral vote motion carried.
- 7. Discuss/take action: Planning Commission Reports-Phil reported the Planning Commission met on Tuesday, 12/3/13, although he was not present at the meeting. Agenda item: Proposed Braun Family Subdivision. There was a certified survey map for that subdivision. Meeting minutes were presented at the meeting. Phil read in part from the minutes: "After considerable discussion, a motion was made by Tom and seconded by John that we approve this proposed subdivision with the following conditions: 1) That if the CSM were to be approved, an easement allowing use and extension of the current driveway so as to give access to the proposed Lot 2 dwelling, should be filed simultaneously with the SCM and 2)That on the advice given by Emily Lund, the Braun Family Trust should also simultaneously file a quit claim deed which would deed the land between the original Lot 1 and the proposed Lot 2 to create a new Lot 1 pursuant to the Gilman Subdivision Ordinance Section 7, subd. E (3)."

Larry Murphy expressed some concerns regarding the deed and approval process. He outlined the steps he would take: 1) He would take this to the county surveyor for review. 2) Will put together a quit claim deed as required to 20 year old Lot 1-filed first. 3) Then record the CSM. 4) The data would be hand written on the road maintenance agreement. Also, Phil mentioned there is a property line dispute between Matt Shafer and Tom Braun. Larry Murphy did that survey with Roger Nichols 10 years ago. After much discussion, Ross interjected that the property line issue is not a township issue and the two landowners need to come to an agreement with the surveyor(s). Phil expressed a concern that if something needs to be changed after it was approved then another CSM would be required. Phil motioned to approve the Planning Commission's

recommendation with the 2 conditions mentioned above; Jim seconded and on oral vote motion carried.

<u>Agenda item</u>: **Sukowatey Proposed Subdivison.** Phil expressed that there was some confusion if we need to send something in writing as he had not received any feedback from Mr. Sukowatey in regard to meeting the recommendations. He said that there were some timelines that are required. Phil recited those requirements from the Ordinance: Section I, Item F. After extended discussion, Phil motioned to grant Alan Sukowatey a 60 day extension to act on the Planning Commission's recommendations of additional required information. He would be added to the Planning Commission's agenda for the January 28, 2014 meeting. Jim seconded this motion and on oral vote, motion carried. <u>Agenda item</u>: Planning Commission member replacement -Phil recommended appointing Steve Price to replace Dan Sieffert effective today.

8. *Discuss/take action: Part-time patrolman*-Ross recommends Jason Anderson to be hired as a part-time patrolman. Ross indicated that Jason would be supervised and report directly to the Gilman Board. Jim motioned to accept Jason as the part-time patrolman; seconded by Phil and on oral vote, motion carried

9. *Discuss/take action: Election officials for 2014-15 term*. Clerk Linda presented a list of 12 candidates to the board. Phil motioned to accept this list; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. A letter of appointment, plus the oath will be mailed out to each candidate.

10. *Insurance quotes for township property*: Linda indicated that our current policy with Big Rivers Insurance is due for renewal in February and one other insurance company has expressed an interest in quoting. She will set up some time to go over our current policy with the agent and invite others to quote. This information will be presented at the January board meeting.

11. Discuss Road Report: Dewey had questions regarding procedure for billing taxpayers for sanding/plowing. Richelle will get together with Dewey on coordinating this task. So far, we have used 140 yards of salt/sand on the roads. A new regulator has been installed on the furnace and is working well. We got the cutting edges that were ordered for the grader and the truck last week. In November, Dewey attended a signing class in Eau Claire and thought it was informative and interesting. No action has been taken on tools yet. The cylinder for the main truck is leaking and has been since last year. Dewey expressed a sense of urgency in this matter. Issues with the grader-Nortrax took out the main spool that runs the blade but he still has noticed oil on the floor from the spool. He will contact them again about that. Dewey questioned about responsibility of having propane tank filled. It is at 48% now. He will contact Lakes Gas regarding this issue. As an FYI, Lorne explained the light bulb in the window of the Town Hall is an alert feature if the furnace is not working. So if the light bulb is on, there is something wrong! Dewey did not think it was necessary to upgrade our cell phone service. Ross said that he had only one call during the recent ice storm in regard to roads but it is important to respond to bus driver's requests for sanding. Dewey will have the tires put on tomorrow. 12. Operator's permits: Linda presented 2 applications for Team Oil employees-McKenna Mattison and Cody Thomas. No background issues. Phil motioned to accept the 2 applications; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

13. *Treasurer's Report*: Richelle reported that all of the tax notices have been mailed out. Beginning balance of \$52,042.93; income of \$29,292.37; expenses of \$31,391.41; ending balance of \$49,943.89. Received shared revenue but was \$142.96 less than expected due to DOR net book value being slightly lower. Received 2012 Spence chargeback; checks back from CVTC, Pierce County and Spring Valley Schools. Regarding unpaid fire call bill, she will be sending a certified letter indicating our plan of action to file a small claims citation. Will address this issue again in January to take action.

14. *Chairman's Report*: Ross attended a TRIP Meeting on 12/5 and reported that there is no money allocated for Gilman. We had been funded 2 years ago and won't be eligible for funding for another 4 years. We should be receiving the TRID reimbursement check any day on the 290<sup>th</sup> project. Ross received a letter for a public hearing on Terry Roatch for 12/18 on conditional use permit. He also had a call from Sheriff regarding a loose bull in township. Ross wanted to know our policy on cattle issues. It was decided that it is the landowner's responsibility and law enforcement has the duty to protect public safety and they should do whatever is needed. Lorne added that State Statutes state that law officials are responsible for animals on the road and should be notified. It is the township's responsibility to see that the landowner has adequate fencing. Ross commented on the informative newsletter prepared by Linda which was included with tax notices and thanked the board for their individual input.

15. *Discuss Patrolman healthcare compensation*: (Closed Session pursuant to SS19.85(a) WI Stats) Jim motioned; Phil seconded to convene into closed session at 8:15 p.m. to discuss employee healthcare compensation; roll call vote: Ross-yes, Phil-yes, Jim-yes; unanimously approved. Present were Ross, Phil, Jim, Linda, Richelle and Dewey.

Motion by Phil, seconded by Jim to return to open session at 8:42 p.m. Roll call vote: Ross-yes, Jim-yes, Phil-yes; unanimously approved.

Motion by Phil, second by Jim to add \$1.65 to patrolman's hourly wage for all hours worked in lieu of \$300 per month healthcare benefit; Motion carried. Patrolman's employment agreement was amended to indicate change.

16. Phil motioned; Jim seconded to adjourn at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Price, Clerk

## Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, November 13, 2013

- 1. A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson
- 2. Present at meeting: Chairman Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Linda Price, Patrolman Dewey Anderson. Also attending Tom Rauch, Jeanne Roen, Terry Roatch, Andrea Wieland.
- 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- 4. Jim moved to amend the minutes to include approval of Public Budget Meeting minutes, Special Levy and Special Town Board Meeting minutes all held on November 12, 2013. Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Discuss/take action on 10-10-13 Board Meeting, special meetings 10-16-13 and 11-12-13 meeting minutes. Phil indicated that in 11-12-13 minutes, paragraph 3, the sentence should read "truck is in need of new tires". Jim moved to approve all 3 meeting minutes with changes as noted, Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 5. Treasurer's Report: Richelle reported beginning balance of \$90,200.99; income of \$26,223.85; expenses of \$64,381.91 with an ending balance of \$52,042.93. After consulting with the Towns Association, she indicated it is OK to use sinking and bridge funds for short term purpose of paying bills with Board approval. Highway aids of \$25,621 were received and on Monday should be receiving shared revenue of \$28,943.13. Richelle has dates set for tax collection at Town Hall. These will be published in the tax notices which should be sent out around December 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 6. There were no public comments regarding issues not on the agenda.
- 7. Discuss/take action: Payment of bills. Added to the list of bills were \$145.78 to Pierce Co. Hwy. Dept.; \$442 to Pierce Co. Treas. for dog fees; \$23.09 each for per diem wages for 5 planning Commission members. Also include vacation and sick days payout to Dale Strom. Richelle requested transfer of \$30,000 from sinking fund to general fund to cover bills. Jim moved to transfer funds; Phil seconded and on oral vote motion carried. Phil motioned to pay bills with additions as presented; Jim seconded and on oral vote motion carried.
- 8. Discuss/take action: Planning Commission report. Phil reported that the Planning Commission met on October 30, 2013 on two issues:

**A. Terry Roatch** is operating a Welding Shop which needs a conditional use permit. The business falls under the home and farm base business accessory to family business. The planning commission approved Terry Roatch's request provided it meets the County's statute regarding space restrictions. The conditional use will be reviewed by the Planning Commission in 3 years. The township will report their recommendation to the county and they will act on it. Jim motioned to recommend to the County that this fits the Gilman Land use plan, we reviewed it and in 3 years will review again; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Terry will complete form and return to Clerk for completion.

**B.** A copy of the **Alan Sukowatey** Certified Survey Map was sent to the committee for review. The committee recommended approval of his subdivision pending county level responses regarding the CSM. There was discussion about access to the lot as a suitable driveway site, size of lots not meeting Gilman's required 20 acre minimum and CSM

requirements not being met. Based on discussion, no action taken at this time. Tom Rauch and Phil will follow up with Alan and report back at December meeting.

- 9. Discuss/take action: Part-time patrolman-3 applicants that had applied for the patrolman expressed an interest in the part-time position. Jason Anderson also contacted Ross about the position. The hiring process and wages were discussed. Phil motioned to set the starting wage at \$17.40 with review in 1 year. Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Ross will talk to each applicant and make a recommendation to the Board at the December meeting.
- 10. Discuss obsolete records in store room: Linda contacted the Pierce County Historical Society regarding obsolete records. They indicated an interest in preserving any of these documents. Linda will sort through the old records and log a record of what documents will be sent to the Historical Society.
- 11. Road Report: The dirt from 490<sup>th</sup> was pushed back. Nortrex did some updates on the grader. 8 loads of salt/sand were hauled in; the truck and grader wings are on; put some fittings on the sander; issues with the hot water heater. One of the strobe lights on the truck is cracked and needs to be replaced. Dewey talked to a couple companies regarding tires and was quoted \$433.25 per tire for rears and would give us \$100 credit on each tire. The front ones were quoted at \$620.38 but would have to examine shape of old ones. Mounting would be \$20 for rears and \$30 for front. Grader blade options were discussed. Ross said to leave it up to the patrolman to run what we have and when it starts wearing out, give a recommendation to the Board on what he wants to purchase. Ross asked Dewey to get some prices on tires and report back in December.
- 12. Operator's Permits: Linda presented one Team Oil permit for employee Justin Ellefson. She reported no background issues. Phil motioned to approve the permit; Jim seconded and on oral vote motion carried.
- 13. Chairman's Report: Ross received a letter of resignation on 11/1/13 from Dan Sieffert from the Planning Commission. His replacement will be added to the agenda in December. There was discussion on terms and length of terms. Ross asked Phil to report back in December with a replacement recommendation and update of terms definition. Ross brought up the subject of election officials to be appointed this year for the next 2 year term. Ross and Linda will research the requirements and report back in December.
- 14. Jim motioned to adjourn at 8:17 p.m.; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

### Next meeting Wednesday, December 11, 2013

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Price, Clerk

#### PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING November 12, 2013

The Budget Hearing was called to order by Chairman Ross Christopherson at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 12, 2013 at the Gilman Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Ross, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett and Clerk Linda Price. Also attending: Don Nellesson, Mickey Mattison, Andrea Wieland, Lorne Hanson, Dewey Anderson.

It was noted that an oversight of documenting the Board approval of the 2013 Budget was not included in the December 2012 minutes. Lorne Hanson confirmed that an oral vote was indeed voiced and the motion was carried at the December meeting. Phil motioned to approve the 2013 Budget, Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Copies of the 2014 Proposed Budget were available for review. Ross highlighted various categories which showed an increase such as <u>Assessor Salary</u>-new 4 year contract due to property re-evaluation requirements; <u>Fire Protection</u>-increase due to future fire truck needs; <u>Ambulance</u>-Lifequest receipt reconciliation report increased and <u>Machine Repair</u>-tractor is in need of new tires.

At 7:35 p.m. Andrea Wieland moved to adjourn, Lorne Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

#### SPECIAL MEETING TO ADOPT LEVY and APPROVE HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES November 12, 2013

Immediately following the Budget Hearing, Chairman Christopherson called the meeting to order to adopt the Town Levy. Lorne Hanson motioned to adopt the 2014 Town Tax Levy of \$273,643 pursuant to Sec. 60.10 (1)(a) of Wisconsin Statues. Andrea Wieland seconded the motion and on oral vote, motion carried.

Lorne Hanson motioned to approve the total 2014 highway expenditures pursuant to Sec. 82.03 (2)(a) of Wisconsin Statues; Andrea Wieland seconded and on oral vote motion carried.

At 7:42 p.m. Andrea moved to adjourn, Lorne Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

#### SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING November 12, 2013

Immediately following the Special Town Meeting of the Electors to adopt Levy and highway expenditures, Chairman Christopherson called a Special Meeting of the Board for the purpose to adopt the 2014 budget for the Town of Gilman. All Board Members were present. Jim motioned and Phil seconded to adopt the 2014 proposed budget and on oral vote motion carried. No further business was discussed at this time. Jim motioned to adjourn at 7:45 p.m., Phil seconded and on oral vote motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Price, Clerk

# Town of Gilman Special Board Meeting Minutes October 16, 2013

- 1. A special meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson.
- 2. Ross motioned to amend the agenda to include a discussion on Patrolman Dale Strom's tools. Jim motioned to amend; seconded by Phil and on oral vote motion carried.
- 3. Roll call: Ross Christopherson, Jim Traynor, Phil Verges, Linda Price, Richelle Bartlett, Marlowe Anderson.
- 4. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- 5. Discuss/take action on purchasing Dale Strom's tool inventory: Two itemized lists were presented to the Board with a suggested purchase price of \$1405 and \$100. Jim motioned; Phil seconded to decline tool offer as listed and upon oral vote motion carried.
- 6. Discuss/prepare 2014 proposed budget: Linda presented a worksheet that included figures through the end of September. The Board, along with others present, projected the final quarter figures and came up with a workable 2014 budget. A formal Budget Hearing Notice will be published and posted the week of October 21, 2013.
- 7. Meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Price, Clerk

## Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Thursday, October 10, 2013

- 1. A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson.
- 2. Present at meeting: Chairman Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Linda Price, Patrolman Dale Strom. Also attending Tony Huppert, Mickey Mattison, Andrea Wieland, Dewey Anderson.
- 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- 4. Phil motioned to amend the Agenda to go into closed session for finalizing patrolman employment agreement. Jim seconded the motion and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 5. Discuss/take action of minutes of 9-12-13 and special meetings 9-25-13, 10-1-13. Regarding 9-12-13 minutes, Phil commented item #8 should read the full name of Rand Bailey; item #17 name should be changed to Terry Roatch and change sentence to read "the sign is out of spec and the business building exceeds 1500 sq. ft." Richelle changed the dollar amount in item #12 to read \$10,632.00. Jim motioned to approve minutes with corrections as noted above for all 3 meetings; Phil seconded and on oral vote motion carried.
- 6. Treasurer's Report- Richelle reported beginning balance of \$256,823.05; income of \$1507.00; expenses of \$168,129.06; ending balance of \$90,200.99. She explained Tractor Central check for \$22.29 has been voided and reissued to John Deere Credit which appears on this months' bills report. Richelle has created a form to authorize transferring funds from one account to another for documentation purposes. The form will be used monthly and require 3 Board signatures. There was discussion regarding profitability of big dump days. A report will be created for assessing figures for future decisions on big dump days.
- 7. Public Comments: Andrea commended Richelle for initiating the fund transfer document. She also questioned Gilman's policy on the newly enacted DNR law allowing rifle usage. Ross said that Gilman will follow whatever the state mandates. Tony requested a more detailed listing of Board wages on bills to be paid report. Richelle mentioned that it would appear on the year-end report. Per discussion, we will put the gross wages in parenthesis and check amount only. Mickey questioned closed session policy. Ross explained our procedure and recited WI Statutes indicating this policy.
- 8. Discuss/take action: Payment of bills- Phil motioned, seconded by Jim to pay bills as listed and on oral vote motion carried.
- 9. Fire Association and ambulance updates: Jim reported the 501C3 Corporation is going as planned. The fire budget is the same as last year + \$3600 more; Gilman's share is 36% of the budget.
- 10. Discuss/take action: unpaid fire call bill of \$400- A 12/5/12 incident of a car fire resulted in a Fire Dept. call. The owner lives in Ellsworth (not in Gilman Township) and the bill remains unpaid. Options 1: File small claim judgment. Option 2: Submit the bill to Pierce Co. Hwy. Dept. and collect \$200 in accordance with State Statute 60.557. Ross would like to explore cost of filing a small claims judgment. No action taken.
- 11. Discuss/take action- Roatch conditional use permit for home base business- Phil reported that Terry Roatch bought a land parcel from Tony Roatch. He needs to get a conditional use permit to operate a home base welding business. The planning committee will be

meeting with Mr. Roatch and Tom Rauch to discuss recommendations on October 30. Report to follow at November meeting.

- 12. Discuss/take action- monthly Board meeting schedule: Phil is requesting to move the monthly meeting night to Wednesdays. Jim motioned; Phil seconded to change the meeting nights to Wednesday at 7:00 starting November. Upon oral vote, motion carried.
- 13. Discuss/take action- 2014 Budget planning process: Scheduled dates will be as follows: Special Board meeting to discuss budget numbers on October 16 at 6:30 pm; Public Hearing will be November 12 at 7:00 pm with a special town board meeting of Electors to follow. Legal notice will be published and posted week of 10-21-13 and Regular Monthly meeting November 13 at 7:00 pm.
- 14. Road Report: Dale reported he has been mowing, grading gravel roads and patching blacktop. He hauled the dirt accumulated from 330<sup>th</sup> project which was temporarily dumped at the town shop area to various ditches in the township.
- 15. Operator's Permits: Linda presented one permit for Team Oil for employee Apryl Behrens and reported no background issues. Phil motioned; Jim seconded to approve the permit and on oral vote motion carried.
- 16. Chairman's Report: Ross met with Ayres Assoc. on the 290<sup>th</sup> project for a final check. Expecting a final bill from Mattison Contractors. Estimating to be \$5000 more and will owe \$11,000 to Ayres for the construction inspection. 330<sup>th</sup> was blacktopped on Tuesday but needs to be shouldered. Dale can do with Martell's help. He figured if we did it, it would be ½ the cost of the County's quote of \$10,000. Phil questioned alterations to Mason driveway. Ross will talk to Harris about dirt leveling. Ross attended a Wis. Towns Meeting and reported current legislative issues of 4% in 2015 transportation aids; TRIP taking applications; farm equipment limitations on public roads. He discussed the expense/mileage sheet for board members reporting. There was some question as to what is considered "reportable" mileage. Will check to see what other townships do.
- 17. Patrolman vacancy: Phil motioned to go into closed session at 8:17 pm; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Board reviewed the Patrolman agreement with Marlowe. Jim motioned to go back into open session at 8:45 pm; Phil seconded. Phil moved to approve the employee agreement with Marlowe Anderson; Jim seconded and on oral vote motion carried.
- 18. Phil motioned to adjourn at 9:50 pm; Jim seconded and on oral vote motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Price, Clerk

# Minutes Special Board Meeting Tuesday, October 1, 2013

- 1. A Special Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman Ross Christopherson to negotiate an agreement of wages and benefits with Gilman's selected patrolman candidate, Marlowe Anderson at 6:33 p.m.
- 2. Roll Call: Jim Traynor, Phil Verges, Ross Christopherson, Linda Price
- 3. Phil motioned; Jim seconded to convene into closed session and on oral vote, motion carried. Marlowe Anderson was in attendance. The guidelines and benefits handout was discussed with Marlowe and changes were made which were agreeable with all parties. He was given the Post Accident Drug & Alcohol Testing Information Kit, Municipality Employee Drug & Alcohol Testing Policy and form to fill out for scheduling a back evaluation and drug test. This form will be returned to Ross to complete the scheduling process.
- 4. Board returned to open session. Marlowe Anderson's employment as patrolman is contingent upon driver's license check and back and drug evaluations. A tentative start date of November 4, 2013 was indicated. A formal Employment Agreement with the conditions of employment with the Town of Gilman will be presented at the October 10, 2013 monthly meeting for review.
- 5. Phil motioned; Jim seconded to adjourn at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Price, Clerk

# Meeting Minutes Special Board Meeting Wednesday, September 25, 2013

- 1. A Special Board Meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson.
- 2. Roll Call: Ross Christopherson, Jim Traynor, Phil Verges, Linda Price
- 3. Discuss/take action on Patrolman position: Board reviewed the 11 interview questions to be asked to each candidate. A comment sheet will be completed for each candidate by the 3 board members during the interview process.
- 4. Board convened into closed session at 4:00 p.m. for the purpose of interviewing seven selected candidates at half hour intervals.
- 5. Jim motioned; seconded by Phil to return into open session at 7:20 p.m. for the purpose to take action on the closed session item. Jim motioned; seconded by Phil to select **Marlowe Anderson** as the best qualified candidate for the position of Patrolman and on oral vote, motion carried. Linda will contact each of the seven individuals by telephone by Friday, September 27 to notify them of the selection. She will follow up with a formal letter. Letters will also be sent to the other 20 applicants. A tentative date of Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup> after 6:00 p.m. will be scheduled with Marlowe Anderson and the Board to work on an agreement based on guidelines worksheet.
- 6. Phil motioned; Jim seconded to adjourn at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Price, Clerk

## Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Thursday, September 12, 2013

- 1. A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson.
- Roll Call: Present at meeting: Chairman Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Linda Price, Patrolman Dale Strom. Also attending Don Nellessen, Lorne Hanson, Kristy & Ken Gillette, Leanna & John Larson, Tracy & Dana Peterson.
- 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- 4. Discuss/take action of minutes of 8/8/13 and special 8/12/13 meeting: Jim motioned to amend the agenda to include the 9/10/13 Special Board Meeting Minutes; Phil seconded and on oral vote motion carried. Dale said his last day of employment was recorded incorrectly. It should be October 25, 2013. He also wants these minutes to reflect Ross' conversation with Carol Nawrocki, attorney from Wis. Town Association regarding sick leave payout. Ross said sick days paid out are considered wages with standard withholding requirements and the Township does not pay state retirement on lump sum pay outs. Phil motioned to approve minutes for all 3 meetings; Jim seconded and on oral vote motion carried.
- 5. Treasurer's Report: Richelle reported beginning balance of \$163,592.65; income of \$109,711.13; expenses of \$16,480.73; ending balance of \$256,823.05. The tax settlement was \$108,916. There will be a transportation payment of \$25,000 coming up.
- 6. Public Comments not on agenda: Lorne wanted clarification of items not accepted for the big dump days scheduled for this weekend.
- Discuss/take action of bills: Add Brooke Excavating bill for \$2250 and change remit name from Ayres Assoc. to Mattison Construction for check amount of \$154,307.05. Phil moved to approve bills for payment with additions; Jim seconded and on oral vote motion carried.
- 8. Discuss/take action on private road 876<sup>th</sup> Avenue: On behalf of the association, Leanne requested a board vote to approve taking over the town road. Discussions included that property transfers would be covered by the association and a timeline of the takeover was not indicated at this time. Phil motioned and Jim seconded that Gilman township would approve taking over 876<sup>th</sup> Avenue as a town road provided it was brought up to minimum town standards of 26' of gravel surface (which includes shoulders) with 1 ½ ft. of proper sub-base. On oral vote, motion carried. Leanne also requested a vote on the maintenance fee. Jim motioned to enter into an agreement to plow and sand 876<sup>th</sup> Avenue at \$75 per trip which would be at the patrolman's discretion when he is plowing 410<sup>th</sup>; Phil seconded and on oral vote motion carried. A contact person from the association was indicated as Tracy and Dana Peterson and a monthly invoice would be sent to Rand Bailey.
- 9. Discuss/take action on updates with Fire Association and ambulance: As Board representative, Jim reported the Fire Association will no longer be an association but a corporation. The 2 departments will be independent with separate budgets but joining under one umbrella. There will be a name change. Corporate papers have been drawn up but not approved at this time. The Fire Dept. is looking at purchasing a new truck for

2016 for \$440,000 and they have \$63,000 slotted in the budget at this point. The Fire Dept. increased the budget by \$10,000 and \$3300-3500 of this will be Gilman. The advantage of incorporating will be less state tax filing and they will be able to receive large donations.

- 10. Discuss/take action: Filing of Russell Spence property. Richelle indicated the changes have been filed with the Department of Revenue. The Town will be sending Mr. Spence a check for \$1970.27. We should hear after October if the Dept. of Revenue approves the request and we would get the money back. Jim motioned; Phil seconded to approve to pay the refund to Mr. Spence; and on oral vote motion carried.
- 11. Discuss/take action on 290<sup>th</sup> bills report: The Board will be meeting with Ayres and contractor in 2 weeks for an on-site final inspection. No action at this time.
- 12. Discuss/take action on Shelly Endres Lien release: Board members received a request in late August to release the judgment against Shelly Endres for accumulated dog citations and interest. Her judgment had been released in 2006 by a previous board but she never filed it with the Clerk of Court so the record showed she still owed the money to Gilman. Ross Christopherson re-issued a satisfaction of judgment and delivered it on 8/29/13 to Loberg Law Office for Ms. Endres to pick up. The Board considers this case closed.
- 13. Discuss/take action on machinery fund: The amount for the mower is \$10,630.00. Jim motioned; Phil seconded to pay for the mower out of the sinking fund account. On oral vote, motion carried.
- 14. Patrolman vacancy update: We received 27 applications for the open position. A special board meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, 9-10-13 to review the application and 7 candidates will be scheduled for personal interviewing at a special board meeting for Wednesday, 9-25-13.
- 15. Discuss Road Report: Dale indicated a little grading and mowing wet spots, had snowplow in for checkup. Ross gave go ahead to mow fence to fence but stressed a need to have crushed rock roads crowned up and ready for winter and patching black top holes. Again, mentioned the poor condition of 690<sup>th</sup> Avenue which has a 40 year old blacktop job. Two years ago, the funding for repairing this road dried up and Ross suggested adding this to our budget for 2014. Ross recommended patching the hill with blacktop and patching holes with gravel at this time.
- 16. Operator's permits: Linda presented 2 applications from Team Oil. The background checks proved satisfactory. Jim motioned; Phil seconded to approve the applications and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 17. Chairman's report: Ross said there was a horse issue in township but renter is leaving the area. Upon inspection, the fence is in good condition at this time. Would like to look into dump days for spring to get a person in from the county to help us lower our costs on this service. There was a zoning complaint for a sign at Terry Roatch welding business. The sign is out of spec as building exceeds 1500 sq. ft. limit so a conditional use permit is required. Zoning is handling this issue. The annual certification of mileage report for transportation aid is due in October. Ross will work on preparing that to submit. The budget process was discussed and will put on the October agenda.
- 18. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Price, Clerk

# **Town of Gilman Meeting Minutes**

Special Board Meeting Tuesday, September 10, 2013

- 1. A special board meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson.
- 2. Present at meeting: Chairman Ross C.; Supervisors Jim T. and Phil V.; Clerk Linda P.
- 3. Discuss/Take action on the process of reviewing/screening for Patrolman Position: 27 applications were received. The applications were given a number and divided into 5 random groups. The 5 groups were reviewed separately by Ross, Jim and Phil. Notes were then reviewed for qualifications and experience. Jim motioned to accept 7 applications (#4,7,9,12,14,20,10) for a personal interview and Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Linda will contact the 7 applicants and schedule the interviews for Wednesday, September 25, 2013.
- 4. The Board never went into closed session.
- 5. Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Linda Price, Clerk

# **Town of Gilman Meeting Minutes**

Special Board Meeting Monday, August 12, 2013

- 1. A special board meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson.
- 2. Present at meeting: Chairman Ross C.; Supervisors Jim T. and Phil V.; Treasurer Richelle B. and Clerk Linda P.
- 3. Discuss Patrolman job description and benefits and compensation guidelines. Selected candidate will be required to have a pre-employment physical at clinic in Ellsworth or River Falls. The Township will cover the cost. Sandy Langer was mentioned as a contact person to set up the appointment. The board composed an ad to be printed in the Ellsworth Shopper and Sun/Argus for 2 weeks. It will also be available to download on the Town of Gilman's website. The closing date for applications will be Friday, September 6, 2013. The Board will meet again for a special meeting to review applications prior to the September monthly meeting. Interviews for potential candidates will be scheduled for the week of September 16, 2013.
- 4. The Board never went into closed session. Phil motioned to approve patrolman job description and guidelines as discussed/second by Jim and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 5. Meeting adjourned at 4:13 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Linda Price, Clerk

# Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Thursday, August 8, 2013

- 1. A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson.
- 2. Roll Call: Present at the meeting: Chairman Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Patrolman Dale Strom, Clerk Linda Price, Kelly Owen, Tom Rauch, Dan Seifert, Andrea Wieland.
- 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- 4. Discuss/take action of minutes of July 11 meeting and special meeting July 22: Motion by Jim Traynor to approve minutes as presented; second by Phil Verges and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 5. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Richelle reported a beginning balance of \$157,880.68 for the month of July 2013; expenses of \$28,534.53; ending balance of \$163,592.65. She also reported receipts of \$2731.79 for fire dues distribution; shared revenue aids of \$5107.61 and \$25,620.99 in transportation aid. Richelle expects the second part of taxes to be coming in around \$111,000 (estimate).
- 6. There were no public comments pertaining to issues not on the agenda.
- 7. Discuss/take action of bills: Ross received two invoices from Pierce Co. Hwy. Dept. for 7.4 tons of patching and 14 hours labor tree mowing amounting to a total of \$2274.75; Jim turned in \$9.04 for chasing horses; 11 hours paid to Richelle for Clerk training and assistance. Motion by Jim Traynor to accept bills and pay as presented; second by Phil Verges
- 8. Discuss/take action on property tax refund: This is in regard to charge back of refunded taxes for the Spence property. Paperwork has been received from Owen Assessing and Richelle and Linda will work on filing before the September board meeting. Jim inquired whether this land was in CRP and Kelly confirmed that is was not. No action at this time but will add to September agenda.
- 9. Discuss/take action of private road 876<sup>th</sup> Avenue: This item involves the Township maintaining their private road. The Board devised a cost range of \$50 \$75 per trip to plow and sand 876<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The patrolman will include this road on his regular route. No members from the association were present. Phil will contact the association and invite them to the September meeting. No action taken at this time.
- 10. Discuss/take action on Owen Assessing contract: The Board reviewed the contract. Kelly Owen from Owen Assessing was present to answer questions. After discussion, motion made by Phil Verges to approve the contract with payments of \$905 per month for 4 years; second by Jim and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 11. Discuss/take action on filling Patrolman vacancy: Discussion with Dale Strom clarifying his last day of employment with the Town of Gilman. His last work day will be October 23, 2013. Then with his 11 vacation days, his final day of employment is November 11, 2013. At that time any unused sick days will be paid out to Dale. Discussion was held on job description, application process, benefits and timing of hiring. Motion by Phil Verges to schedule a Special Meeting on Monday, August 12 at 2:00 at the Town Hall to continue this discussion; Second by Jim Traynor and on oral vote, motion carried.

- 12. Discuss/take action proposal for Professional Services on 290<sup>th</sup> St. TRID Project: This item concerns the construction contract administration for the 290<sup>th</sup> project. The estimated cost of services will not exceed \$11,500 without Township approval. Motion by Jim Traynor to approve contract as proposed; Phil second and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 13. Discuss/take action on 330<sup>th</sup> Street paving project proposal: Ross reviewed the proposal from Pierce County Highway Dept. from July 11, 2013. The Project Bid was: curb preparation-\$5990; and the paving-\$123321.85. This project is planned for the end of September. Phil motioned to approve project as presented, second by Jim and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 14. Discuss/take action on fall large dumpster weekend: Ross commented whether there is a need to have fall large dumpster weekend as Pierce County holds a similar Clean Sweep in September. After discussion Phil motioned that we continue with September dumpster weekend as usual and look at other options at a later date for 2014; second by Jim and on oral vote, motion carried. Linda will compose a letter to Mr. Quakenbush requesting them to not be present during Gilman's large dumpster weekends per ruling of town board.
- 15. Discuss 2013 Road Projects and road report: Dale reported the removal of 2 old culverts with a replacement of one larger culvert along with the relocation of a field driveway on 770<sup>th</sup> Avenue, west of CTH BB. Seeding was completed on projects near Jim Traynor's and 690<sup>th</sup> Avenue east of 410<sup>th</sup> Street. The 290<sup>th</sup> TRIPD was paved this week. Dale has been blading the crushed rock roads. There was a complaint concerning the roughness of 690<sup>th</sup> Avenue east of CTH N. Ross confirmed that it is rough. After discussion the Board will physically look at it in the next month and plan/assess options for next year. Ross asked the Clerk to gather bills for the 290<sup>th</sup> Street Project to prepare for reimbursement from the state.
- 16. Operator's permits: Linda presented 3 provisional operator's license from Team Oil for Alan Anderson, Victoria K. Holodnack and Kevin Moen. After discussion Phil motioned to approve operator's licenses; second by Jim and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 17. Chairman's Report: Ross mentioned the Wis. Towns Association Convention on October 28 & 29<sup>th</sup> in the Madison area. He thought the clerk and treasurer should look it over for possible pertinent workshops.
- 18. Ross motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 p.m. Phil second and on oral vote, motion carried.

# Next Meetings: Special Meeting Monday, August 12, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. Board Meeting Thursday, September 12, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Linda Price, Clerk

# Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Thursday, July 11, 2013

- 1. A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order at 7pm on Thursday July 11, 2013 by Chairman Ross Christopherson.
- 2. Roll Call: Present at the meeting: Chairman Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Patrolman Dale Strom, Becky Manley, Linda Price, Ken Gillette, Eric Eckhoff, Andrea Wieland, Lorne Hanson, Leanna Larson and Dana Peterson.
- 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present
- 4. Discuss/Take Action of minutes of June 20<sup>th</sup> meeting: Jim mentioned that Patrolman Dale Strom was present at the meeting but was not listed on the Roll Call. Jim motioned to approve minutes as presented and to include Dale in the Roll Call. Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 5. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Richelle reported a beginning balance of \$199,171.70 with an ending balance of \$157,880.68 for the month of June 2013. Phil wanted clarification on how often our fire dues of \$20,480,85 are paid, Bi-annually was the response. Board and Treasurer looked at the 2013 Proposed Budget in regards to funding the 2013 summer road projects.
- 6. There were no public comments pertaining to issues not on the agenda.
- 7. Discuss/Take Action on bills: Patrolman Strom mentioned that the Indianhead Truck bill for the truck repair got considerably higher than expected. Jim motioned to pay all bills as presented and the Xcel Energy bill when we received it. Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 8. Discuss/Take Action on private road 876<sup>th</sup> Ave: Chairman Ross listed the three options that the residents of 876<sup>th</sup> Street have based off of his conversations with the Towns Association and other authorities:
  - a. Road has to be brought up to Gilman township road standards, then all residents have to sign off on the road and easement property for it to become a township road.
  - b. Have an agreement between the Residents/Subdivision Association and the Town of Gilman for road maintenance that includes a fee for the service.
  - c. Leave things as is.

Ross would prefer option B that includes winter maintenance and the road to be graded in the summer months. Jim mentioned the abundance of road maintenance and projects that Town is currently funding and even if we were to take the road over, our share of Transportation Aides that we would receive for the road does not offset the maintenance costs the township would inherit. Phil suggested that the Association needs to decide what to do. In the meantime, Ross said the Board would put together a cost estimate for a winter maintenance agreement. No formal action taken.

- 9. Discuss Owen Assessing Contract for Jan 1, 2014 Dec 31, 2017: Last month the question was asked why wait for a re-evaluation in 2016 vs re-evaluating now? In 2012 the Township fell out of compliance with the State's standard of 90%-110%. We were at 111% in 2012. We have 4 years to do a re-evaluation and comply with the State's standard. Because of home sales and better data, the longer the township were to wait to re-evaluate the better the evaluation and likely the longer we'd stay in compliance. 2016 is our re-evaluation year with this proposed contract. Payment options for the contract with Owen Assessing are:
  - a. \$905.00/month for 4yrs or
  - b. \$510.00/mo for normal service in 2014, 2015, 2017 and \$2,091.67/mo for re-evaluation cost in 2016

Jim motioned to approve and sign the contract for the 4yr option that averages \$905.00/month. Motion fails for lack of second. \*To be place on next month's agenda.\*

10. Discuss/Take Action on Retirement Letter from Patrolman: Phil motioned to accept the Retirement Letter from Dale. Jim seconded the motion. Discussion: In the Patrolman's contract up to 36 days of sick leave can be banked. The patrolman will be paid the banked sick days upon termination.

Ross's interpretation of the contract is that the sick time is to be 'cashed out' not used as non-working days to increase the last-day-of-employment. Vacation days can be used as non-working days, but sick pay needs to be 'cashed-out'. So, on December 31, 2013 Dale may cash out his sick days.

After discussion, Dale withdrew his Retirement letter and will reconsider his Last Date of

Employment. No Action Taken. \*Item to be place on next month's agenda.\*

- 11. Discuss 2013 Road Projects and Road Report:
  - a. July 22, 2013 is the set start date for the 290<sup>th</sup> Street project; should be wrapped up in September. Xcel to move pole along 290<sup>th</sup> Street for work to be done.
  - b. Ross discussed water drainage options for a curb to be put on 330<sup>th</sup> St by church driveway and Mason's driveway (2 spots).
  - c. Bid from Pierce County Highway Dept. is \$129,000 for pavement and curb prep on 330<sup>th</sup> St. \*Proposed plan to be discussed at August Meeting\*
  - d. Nick Brooke to start working on putting culvert in on 770<sup>th</sup> Street in the next week or so.
  - e. Martell Chairman, Eric Eckhoff, who was present at the meeting said that Martell wants to discuss blacktopping their half of 490<sup>th</sup> Street from Cty Rd N north to 690<sup>th</sup> Ave if Gilman would agree to blacktop our half of 490<sup>th</sup> St. There is about \$4000.00 in driveway and drainage issues that need to be taken care of before the road would be able to be paved; this cost would be split. 4 inches of gravel was put on the road in 2011 and there have not been any problems since. Road set to be paved next year. The two Town Boards to look at culverts and end walls on 490<sup>th</sup> St.
  - f. Stump removal bid from Nick Brooke came in at \$10,000.00 just to dig stumps out. Project to wait until further notice.
  - g. Gravel the rest of 290<sup>th</sup>. Board to wait and see how much money is left after 290<sup>th</sup> St TRID project.
  - h. Ross will call the State of WI to let them know that we are now in compliance with standards for signage on the fuel tanks at the shop.
- 12. Discuss/Take action on Town Clerk Resignation Letter: Phil motioned to accept the letter of Resignation from Deanne as Clerk for the Town of Gilman. Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- Board move to close session pursuant to SS 19.85 (1)(c): Appointment of Town Clerk: Phil motioned to convene to close session. Jim seconded. Roll call vote: Jim yes; Phil yes; Ross yes. Motion carried.
- 14. Board to Return to open session: Jim motioned to move to open session. Phil seconded. Roll Call vote: Phil yes; Jim- yes; Ross- yes. Motion carried.

Take action on closed session item of Appointing Town Clerk: Phil motioned to appoint Linda Price as the new Town of Gilman Clerk. Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Ross thanked Rebecca Manley for her interest in the Clerk position.

- 15. Operators Permits: Deanne did background checks and all are okay; fees paid. Phil motioned to approve Operators Permits for: Kristin Petronella (Country Store) and Nikolette Dierks, Stephanie Vorwald, and Taylor Bille (TEAM Oil). Jim seconded the motion and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 16. Chairman's Report: none
- 17. Adjourn: Jim motioned to adjourn the meeting. Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:01 pm.

Next Meeting: Thursday, August 8, 2013 7:00pm

Respectfully Submitted, Richelle Bartlett, Treasurer

# Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes June 20th, 2013

- 1. Call to Order: 7pm
- 2. Roll Call: Board members present: Ross Christopherson, Jim Traynor, Phil Verges, Deanne Claypool, and Richelle Bartlett and Patrolman Dale Strom. Others present: Ken Ruppert, Mickey Mattison Tony Huppert, Steve Andrews, Dan Seigert, Lorne Hanson, Tom Rauch, Andrea Wieland, Leanna Larson, Dana Peterson, Jim & Sandy Mason, John Lenarz.
- 3. Pledge to Flag: Stated by all present
- 4. Discuss/approve minutes of May 9<sup>th</sup> meeting Motion by Jim, second by Phil, approved.
- Treasurer's report Beginning balance \$192,315.29, ending balance \$199,171.70. All dogs listed in township are licensed.
- 6. Public comments pertaining to issues not on the agenda Andrea Wieland had a question about meeting notice not being published in the paper this month. Deanne stated she had missed the publication deadline, but had still posted the notice in 4 places. Jim Mason had questions regarding the drainage by driveway on 330<sup>th</sup> St. Ross stated the board had looked at it and will be working with the homeowner to make corrections
- Discuss/approve and pay bills, Assessment Technology bill from last month Assessment Technologies is software for the assessor. Motion made by Phil to approve bills, second by Jim, approved.
- 8. Discuss/take action Steve Andrews, Dairyland Power conditional use permit application for substation on 850<sup>th</sup> Ave.

Original permit was approved in Feb. 2012; permit was not taken to the county level by Dairyland Power at that time. Dairyland Power wants to pursue the conditional use permit at this time. The Board reviewed the application; the Board and the Planning Commission have no objections. Ross signed the permit.

- 9. Discuss/approve liquor license and tobacco license applications Country Store & Gas, Inc. – Class A retail license, beer and liquor, tobacco license JC's Red Barn - Class B retail license, beer and liquor Team Oil, Inc. - Class A retail license, beer and liquor, tobacco license Applications returned, permits verified, fees paid. Motion made by Jim to approve licenses, second by Phil, approved.
  10. Discuss/take action on Don Nellessen attorney opinion bill
- Motion made by Ross to pay bill, second by Phil. Discussion held on reasons to pay or not pay. Roll call vote called for by Jim. Ross-yes, Jim-no, Phil-no, motion not approved.
- 11. Discuss/take action on private road 876<sup>th</sup> Ave Leanna Larson presented handouts to board members, including Private Road ordinance 2002-2. Discussion on held on making this private road a town road. Does not meet conditions of ordinance, road was built before ordinance was enacted. Can it be grandfathered in? What needs to be done and the cost to bring it up to standards? Discussion on snow removal, township can enter into a contract for this. Further information will be gathered, add to July agenda.
- 12. Discussion/update on Planning Commission by Chairman Tom Rauch Reviewed the history and what the Comprehensive Plan is. The Planning Commission evaluates proposals for land use, advises the town board.
- Discuss/take action on Owen Assessing contract for 1/1/2014-12/31/2017 Questions asked regarding reevaluation of township for assessments and cost of doing so. Will get more info, add to July agenda.
- 14. Discussion/update 2013road projects and road report

May 14, 2013, road tour done by board, looking at projects felt to be the most critical this year. 1.  $330^{\text{th}}$  St to Hwy 29 needs blacktop. Also, the ditch around the Mason driveway needs work for drainage. 2. TRIP project on 290<sup>th</sup> St, the south end, ½ to ¾ mile needs gravel. 3. Stump removal on 690<sup>th</sup> Ave at 410<sup>th</sup> St east 1 mile and east of Cty BB. 4. Crushed rock is needed on gravel roads. 5. Jointly with Martell Township 490<sup>th</sup> Ave needs blacktop, budget for next year. 6. Discussion by the board about the amount of funding available for road projects. Ross said he would work with Richelle to put together a report on available funds for the next meeting.

Report From Dale – has been patching blacktop, County Line Rd much patching by hand. Dennis Hughes had his driveway blacktopped and the company that did it, Asphalt Maintenance, spread the excess to the bottom of his driveway and onto the town road. This road is gravel and cannot be graded with this on there. Dennis would like a board member present to show where to cut off the blacktop at the end of his driveway in the cleanup effort. Fuel tanks at the shop need placards, emergency shut-off and overflow container need signage. Timm Oil has signs and will put up. Grass is growing very fast, would like to mow ditches. Due to budget, Ross would like dangerous areas mowed only, concentrate on patching blacktop potholes and blading crushed rock roads. Concerns about ATV's on 890<sup>th</sup> Ave from Hwy 63 to BB, not an ATV route.

15. Any operators permits

26 renewal operator's license applications, 1 new license application. Motion made by Jim to approve licenses, second by Phil, approved.

16. Chairman's Report

Received and read Letter of Resignation from Deanne Claypool, effective July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Received and read Letter of Retirement from Dale Strom, effective December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013 Jim attended SV Fire and Ambulance meetings, fire department is incorporated and working on by-laws, ambulance is considering incorporating. They will be separate entities under one corporation, more info at next meeting.

Do we issue a permit for fireworks? Ross will look into this more.

Website needs updating, Deanne stated it is done through the county and the info has been sent, will check on it.

17. Adjourn: 8:45pm

Motion made by Jim, second by Phil, approved.

# Town of Gilman Board Meeting May 9th, 2013

- 1. Call to Order: 7pm
- Roll Call: Board members present: Ross Christopherson, Jim Traynor, Phil Verges, Deanne Claypool, and Richelle Bartlett. Others present: Dale Strom, Mickey Mattison, Tony Huppert, Sue Thompson, Ron Thompson, John O'Meara, Bill Emerson, Don Nellessen, Andrea Wieland, Mary Anderson, John Lenarz, Leanna Larson, and Dana Peterson
- 3. Pledge to Flag: Stated by all present
- 4. Amend Agenda to Include Item # 15: Motion made by Jim, second by Phil, approved.
- 5. Approve minutes of April 10<sup>th</sup> meeting and Special meeting on April 16

Amend wording in April 10 minutes, should list Ayres as engineer, not contractor. Motion made by Phil, second by Jim, approved. Motion by Jim, second by Phil to approve all meeting minutes, approved.

6. Treasurer's Report

Beginning balance \$189,215.73 Income \$34,058.67 Expenses \$30,959.11

Ending balance \$192,315.29

Highway aids and lottery credit received. 34 late notices for dog licenses were sent out with a deadline of May 13. Will have the final list at June meeting. Have not heard from Sarah Erickson. A dog at large was found to belong to her; the dog has not been licensed since 2008. Motion made by Jim, second by Phil to accept treasurer's report, approved.

- 7. Approve and pay bills: Discussion on Assessment Technologies bill and what it is for. Ross will contact company, tabled until then. Motion to pay all other bills made by Phil, second by Jim, approved.
- 8. Public Input

Don Nellessen brought forth an attorneys bill and asked that it be put on next months agenda. Ross will obtain further info about this matter from former board members.

Sue Thompson requested to keep the old fax/printer that she used as clerk instead of monetary payment for training the new clerk. As the machine is older and not compatible with the computers now in use, this was approved by Ross.

Dana Peterson and Leanna Larson had questions concerning the private road, 876<sup>th</sup> Ave<sup>-</sup> Matter was tabled previously. Will be added to June agenda.

- 9. Discuss/take action on Mattison Contractor borrow site plan John O'Meara 290<sup>th</sup> St Project - John states that approx. 6500 yards of borrow will be needed, coming from the Fesenmaier farm, NW quadrant of the intersection. Has the conditional use permit from the county, but must also be approved by the town. Motion made by Jim, second by Phil to approve conditional use permit. Approved, permit signed by Ross.
- 10. Discuss/Take action on Hazards Mitigation Plan: Emergency management plan received from Gary Brown, Emergency Manager of Pierce County. If plan is adopted, town will be eligible for FEMA reimbursement in the case of an emergency (i.e., tornado, storms, flood). Motion made by Jim, second by Phil to adopt the plan, approved.
- 11. Update/Discuss Board Members on township duties and operation : New board members updated on questions they had, such as, who works for us, elections, who Dale calls when he needs help, projects for the year, setting the agenda.
- 12. Discuss/Take action setting meeting dates for 2013 Board Meetings: Discussion held and a date of the second Thursday of each month was set for the regular town board meeting. The June 2013 meeting will be held on the third Thursday due to a conflict with a board member. Motion made by Phil, second by Jim to accept these dates, approved.

- 13. Discuss/Take action to appoint member to SV Fire and Ambulance Boards: Motion made by Ross, second by Phil to appoint Jim, approved.
- 14. Discuss/Take action to appoint member to Planning Commission: Discussion held as to meetings (only when the board needs them to), pay (per diem per meeting). Motion made by Ross, second by Jim to appoint Phil, approved. Planning Commission Chairman, Tom Rauch, will be at the June meeting to give the Board an update.
- 15. Discuss/Take Action to change the BOR date to May 31st from 8-10am: The announcement was sent to the newspaper on time, but they experienced some problems and lost it and it was not published on time for the meeting to be held as scheduled. Motion made by Jim, second by Phil to reset the Board of Review meeting date to Friday May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013 from 8am-10am, approved.
- 16. Discuss/Take action to appoint alternate member for Board of Review: Alternate member does not have to be at meeting, but does need to be on call for that time. Motion made by Jim, second by Phil to appoint Richelle Bartlett, approved.
- 17. Any operator's permits: Provisional operators permit for Team Oil employee DaMonique Rudolph previously issued. Motion by Jim, second by Phil to approve for Operator's License, approved.
- 18. Road Report: Given by Dale Working on removing approx. 40-50 trees that were felled by the last snow storm. May call for help with tractor driving and hauling. The truck needs work on the hydraulic pump and the auger in the sander needs to be replaced. After discussion of these items, Dale will schedule these to be done. Now that the weather has cleared, a road tour by board members needs to be completed to note conditions of the roads. A date of May 14<sup>th</sup>, 7am was set to do this.
- 19. Correspondence: Ross received a new contract for 2014-2017 from Owen Assessing. Attorney Loberg has looked this over and stated that it was okay. This will be on the agenda later in the year. Building inspector Todd Dolan sent an inspection report of building activities. Received DNR storm water permit for 290<sup>th</sup> St Project. Deanne will get a copy to John O'Meara. Richelle asked for 10+ hours compensation for filling in for clerk during transition. Discussion held, pay set at \$15/hour, will be added to Bills to be Paid next month. Richelle sent around the board contact info sheet to be updated. The new WI Towns Assoc certificate was received and will be hung on the wall.
- 20. Adjourn: 8:35pm Motion by Jim, second by Phil, approved.

# Town of Gilman Special Board Meeting Minutes April 16, 2013

A legally notified special meeting was called to order by the newly elected town Chairperson, Ross Christopherson at 7:55pm, immediately following the Annual Meeting at the Gilman Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Patrolman Dale Strom, LaMoine Hanson, Ed Hanson, Deanne Claypool, Jim Claypool, Tony Huppert, Don Nellessen, Mary C. Anderson, Andrea Wieland, and Keith Nichols.

Discussion on setting a date for the May 2013 regular board meeting and at the May meeting the board would discuss choosing meeting dates for the rest of the year. The second Thursday of May is May 9<sup>th</sup>. Traynor motioned to set the meeting date for the regular board meeting for Thursday May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Verges seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Chairman Christopherson said that there were three ways the Board could go about finding a new clerk since Sue Thompson isn't accepting the elected position. We could appoint a clerk, post the position and the board could interview interested applicants or we could hold a special election which Ross felt would be unreasonably expensive. Supervisor Traynor's opinion was that we should appoint a new clerk and motioned to appoint Deanne Claypool as the new Clerk for the Town of Gilman to fill the vacancy until the next election. Verges seconded the motion and on oral vote, motion carried.

Chairman Christopherson mentioned that we'd revamp the agenda items for the May meeting and to not include the agenda item "anything else that may properly come before the board" as he felt it was not necessary. All agenda items would be listed and if they weren't they would be discussed at a later meeting. Anyone who wanted something to be discussed at the meeting could contact the board members and it would be put on the agenda.

Treasurer Bartlett mentioned that she would have the new accounting program on the treasurer's computer by the May meeting and that a new printer had been purchased.

There being no further business, Supervisor Verges motioned to adjourn, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. The special meeting adjourned at 8:07pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richelle Bartlett, Treasurer

# Town of Gilman Annual Meeting Minutes April 16, 2013

The annual meeting of the Town of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:02 p.m. on Tuesday, April 16, 2013 at the Gilman Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Supervisor Jim Traynor, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Ross Christopherson, Dale Strom, LaMoine Hanson, Ed Hanson, Deanne Claypool, Jim Claypool, Tony Huppert, Phil Verges, Don Nellessen, Mary C. Anderson, Andrea Wieland and Keith Nichols. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Chairman Hanson introduced the newly elected Town Board Members: Ross Christopherson, Chairman. Jim Traynor and Phil Verges, Supervisors. Richelle Bartlett, Treasurer and the clerk would be appointed by the elected board.

<u>MINUTES</u>: Treasurer Bartlett read aloud the annual meeting minutes of the April 10, 2012 meeting as they were unavailable in printed form. Jim Traynor moved to approve the minutes as read, Phil Verges seconded and on oral vote: 15 ayes – 0 nays. Motion carried.

Chairman Hanson thanked the board members for their great work and especially Clerk Sue Thompson who, in spite of her health, has done a great job. Patrolman Dale and Dewey Anderson have done a great job taking care of the roads with Jim's help in cutting trees and clearing ditches.

<u>NEXT ANNUAL MEETING</u>: Mary Anderson moved to set the next annual meeting for April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 7pm - noting that was the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in April. Andrea Wieland seconded, and on oral vote: 15 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

DESIGNATED BANK: Don Nellessen motioned to leave the designated bank as WESTconsin Credit Union. Mary Anderson seconded and on oral vote: 15 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

<u>DUST CONTROL</u>: Jim Traynor motioned to continue using current dust control methods. Phil Verges seconded and upon oral vote: 15 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

<u>MEETING NOTICES</u>: It is recommended that the town not designate an official newspaper. Meeting and all Town notices would be posted in 3 public places: WESTconsin Credit Union, Red Barn Country Store, TEAM Oil and also at the town hall. Don Nellessen motioned to continue printing notices in the SUN-Argus and the Valley Values newspapers as done currently, when needed. Andrea Wieland seconded and on oral vote: 15 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Jim Traynor motioned that we continue mailing the notice postcards to the Beldenville addresses when notices are published in the newspapers. LaMoine Hanson seconded and on oral vote: 15 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

<u>ANNUAL REPORT:</u> It was noted that 2012 is the last year for receiving election aides for the extended hours at the polling places. Ambulance expenses are what we pay to reimburse the SV Area Ambulance for expenses that aren't covered by insurance and Medicare; totaled \$6,603 for 2012. The 'bridge fund' is a fund to help cover the cost of replacing bridges when necessary and the 'sinking fund' is funds available for equipment replacement. Andrea Wieland motioned to approve the annual report. Phil Verges seconded and on oral vote: 15 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

<u>ROAD REPORT</u>: The 290<sup>th</sup> project bid was awarded to Mark Mattison of Mattison Contractors-gives the job to a Gilman resident and he proved to be a responsible bidder. Ayres Associates of Eau Claire is handling all the paperwork.

<u>ADJOURN</u>: Chairman Hanson thanked the Gilman residents for a great 44 years as Chairman. There being no further business, Don Nellessen motioned to adjourn the annual meeting at 7:45p.m. Jim Traynor seconded and on oral vote: 15 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Richelle Bartlett, Treasurer

Approved: Michel Barlett

## Town of Gilman Annual Meeting Minutes April 15, 2014

- The annual meeting of the Town of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Ross Christopherson at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 15, 2014 at the Gilman Town Hall. Present at the meeting: Chairman Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Linda Price, Don Nellessen, LaMoine Hanson, Lorne Hanson, Isaac Nellessen, Andrea Wieland and Dewey Anderson.
- 2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- Clerk Linda Price read aloud the annual meeting minutes of the April 16, 2013 meeting. Lorne Hanson motioned to approve the minutes as read, Andrea Weiland seconded and on oral vote motion carried.
- 4. The 2013 annual report was reviewed by all present.

**Comments:** Andrea inquired whether we were receiving sufficient reimbursement for Army Corp machine hire? Answer: Yes, these charges are for plowing and sanding; they have no written contract. Dewey is tracking costs for maintaining 876th and will be assessed at a future date.

Ross mentioned that comparing 2013 and 2014 budgets, there is \$100,000 less in revenue and expenses due to a one time award for a township construction project.

Andrea inquired whether there were any spikes? Richelle said records show we spent \$15,000 more in 2013 for salt and sand compared to the winter of 2012 but this year we are showing \$5000 less.

Jim Traynor commented the ambulance expenses will be up for 2014 but should be more stable due to charging on a per capita basis.

Isaac Nellessen motioned to approve the annual report, Don seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

- 5. Richelle motioned to set the next annual meeting for Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.; Andrea seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 6. **Road Report**: Ross reviewed that we had 2 large projects-(1) The 290<sup>th</sup> Street safety improvement project which was 1200 ft. of reconstruction (\$200,000). It was funded 50% with state dollars. (2) We blacktopped 330<sup>th</sup> Street (\$120,000). Two smaller projects: ditch cleaning and new culverts on 770<sup>th</sup> and 450<sup>th</sup>. **For 2014**: expenses from blacktopping 330<sup>th</sup> were carried over into 2014 which resulted in using \$70,000 of this year's revenue to pay off last year's projects. This leaves \$50-60,000 for new road projects. Isaac inquired about seal coating 730<sup>th</sup>? Ross said the board would look at it and make a decision along with other road priorities.
- 7. Don motioned to keep WESTconsin Credit Union as Gilman Township's designated bank; Richelle seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 8. **Dust Control:** Ross reviewed that last year there was no dust control. In 2012, they sprayed 4100 gallons at 98 cents per gallon. The price is currently at \$1.00. If we continue the same program it would be approximately \$4100. Jim motioned that we apply dust control this year; Richelle seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

#### 9. Township Concerns:

\*Don Nellessen would like to go back to the previous way of electing supervisors on the ballots as "Supervisor #1" and "Supervisor #2" rather than supervisors at large which groups the supervisors together. Don made a motion to change the procedure as mentioned above; Isaac seconded. Hand vote: 6 ayes, 4 nays, motion carried. This final decision is contingent upon legal statutory requirements. Ross will confirm. \*Andrea would like to cut costs on mowing. Ross replied that his mowing schedule consists of one cut as soon as grass is high; continue mowing based on safety issues at intersections; then every other year mow one pass fence to fence. This is not excessive.

No future plans to spray for weeds.

\*There was extensive discussion regarding solid waste service. **In summary**: The Township is not breaking even with current operating procedures and fees. The township will continue to service our residents with modifications. The bag fee should be raised to \$3.00. By monitoring residential dumping and PIG pick up of dumpsters, the costs might be better controlled. PIG is willing to cooperate and work with us to streamline service and costs. We should promote recycling to our residents. Check on Pierce County Recycling Dept. to provide totes for recycling articles such as metal during Big Dump Days. Change Big Dump time to end at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday which would accommodate Murtha's schedule better.

\* Andrea complimented the Board and patrolman on doing an outstanding job. Ross would like to thank Lorne and Don for answering his township questions this past year. Ross commented on his excellent help from the rest of the Board and Dewey. On behalf of the whole township, Lorne would like to thank Dewey for his work.

- 10. Meeting Notices: Linda requested to take over the Beldenville public notice mailings rather than hiring Gateway Publishing effective immediately. These residents don't receive the Valley Values Shopper. Richelle motioned to continue sending postcards to Beldenville residents; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. We will also continue to post public notices in 4 places within the township.
- 11. There being no further business, Isaac Nellessen motioned to adjourn at 8:23 p.m.; Don Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Price, Clerk

Linda Price

#### **Gilman Town Board Minutes**

#### April 10, 2013

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 10, 2013 at the Town Hall by Chairman Lorne Hanson. The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was stated by all. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Supervisors Don Nellessen and Jim Traynor, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Tony Huppert, Bob Muurrin, Jim Claypool, Ken Ruppert, Ross Christopherson, Mark Mattison, Jeff Schoeder, Phil Verges, Mickey Mattison and Adnres Weiland.

Jim Traynor moved to approve the minutes as printed for the March 13, 2013 regular meeting and the April 4, 2013 special meeting, Don Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer Bartlett reported an ending balance of \$189,215.73. She states we had received the Shared Revenues. Lorne moved to approve treasurer's report, Don Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried...

A list of bills was presented along with additional bills for Lorne Hanson for 9.62 for mailing bids to Ayers and a payroll check for Jim Traynor for 32.32 for helping Dale. Don Nellessen again presented his bill for attorney fees. Hanson moved to deny Don's bill as explained before, Jim seconded and on roll call vote – Loren aye; Jim – aye; Don – nay. Motion carried. Traynor moved to pay all other bills, Don seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In Public Input Tony Huppert asked why Don's attorney bill was not being paid, when Lorne hired Lowberg to come to a meeting without checking with the Board at all. Hanson again explained why he got the lawyer and Jim commented that as Chairman he has a right to do that type of thing. Huppert commented that it was going to cost the Town more money by being sued.'

Hanson presented the letter from Ayres indicating that even though B. S. Construction bid had the low bid, they did not qualify because they were not D.O.T. certified. He announced that the bid went to Mattison Construction with a bid of \$152,383.90. Schoeder argued that he had not read the part about D. O.T. certification and stated that the type of work we were doing did not qualify under D.O.T. Hanson explained that Ayres was the engineer and put everything together for them and that he could not go against what they said. Jim moved to accept the bid of Mattison, Lorne seconded and on roll call vote – Lorne – aye; Jim – aye – Don – abstained. Motion carried.

Clerk Thompson asked to move to item 12 – Swearing in new officers – up, as she was not feeling well and wanted to go home. She stated she had already sworn I Treasurer Bartlett. Ross Christopherson, Jim Traynor and Phil Verges came forward and recited the oath. After congratulations and Sue saying she had not signed the form to be elected, it was determined the new Board could appoint a clerk. Tony Huppert asked why they couldn't have another election. Clerk Thompson explained that it is the Board's duty to appoint a clerk, not have an election.

Sue was sick so she went home and Treasurer Bartlett took the rest of the minutes.

Lorne went over which roads that Baldwin Telecom would be installing fiber optic cable along. Estimated start date of the project is April 15, 2013 and should be completed by September 2013. We received a check from them for allowing the work to be done.

As required by the State of Wisconsin, the DOT inspection of our salted sand storage was done and the report came back that all standards were met to a 'satisfactory' condition.

After checking the updated contract with All-Croix Inspections, Don motioned to approve the contract for the building inspector. Jim seconded the motion and on oral vote, motion carried. Chairman Hanson signed the contract. Clerk Thompson will sign it before sending it in.

Board of Review is set for May 18, 2013 from 8am-10am. Open Book will be April 23, 2013 8pm to 10pm.

Jim Traynor motioned that we approve operator's licenses for Taylor Bille and Nikolette Dierks. Lorne seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In other business: Spring Clean-up Days are scheduled for May 3, from 3-7pm and May 4th, from 9am-3pm. Lorne has contacted Murtha and they will be supplying the large dumpsters. The annual safety training for Patrolmen will be Friday, April 26, 2013 from 7am-3pm at the Pierce County Highway Dept. Patrolman Strum usually attends and the county will bill us for our attendees.

The Annual Meeting is scheduled to take place next Tuesday, April 16, 2013 at 7pm. Chairman Hanson will conduct the meeting and the newly clerk is to take minutes and since we won't have an acting clerk at that time, Don motioned that Treasurer Bartlett take the minutes at the Annual Meeting. Hanson seconded and on oral vote, motioned carried.

There being no further business, Nellessen moved to adjourn. Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Thompson, Clerk & Richelle Bartlett, Treasurer

#### Gilman Town Board Minutes March 14, 2013

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 14, 2013 at the Town Hall by Chairman Lorne Hanson. The meeting was to be held on Wednesday, March 13, 2013, however it did not get published, therefore Don Nellessen stated he would not attend an illegal meeting and it was postponed until Thursday night. Present at the meeting on Thursday night were Chairman Lorne Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Patrolman Dale Strom, Mary C. Anderson, Mickey Mattison, Phil Verges, Tony Huppert, Ross Christopherson, Andres Wieland and Paul Seeling. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Minutes from the February 13, 2013 meeting and the February 22, 2013 Special meeting were read. Don Nellessen wanted and moved that the Special meeting minutes read that Jim Traynor had seconded the motion about the mower, that the February 13<sup>th</sup> minutes were okay and approved them, Jim seconded and on oral vote motion carried.

Treasurer reported an ending balance of \$217,458.32. She handed out a breakdown of taxes collected which included over \$1,000,000, the first time ever. Nellessen moved to approve the treasurer's report Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Clerk Thompson reported there was an additional bill from Ayers Associates. Don Nellessen asked for payment of a lawyer fee of \$375.00 he had seen regarding the Subdivision Ordinance. Traynor moved not to accept Don's bill as he had no authority from the Board to see the lawyer, Lorne seconded the motion and on oral vote, motion carried. Traynor moved to accept all other bills, Lorne seconded the motion. On oral vote, Traynor, yes, Hanson.yes and Nellessen No. Motion carried.

In Public Input Mickey Mattison stated he was opposed to the new building inspector contract. Tony Huppert stated that Caroljean Coventree, who worked on the Subdivision Ordinance, was not an attorney according to the Minnesota State Supreme Court. Tony Huppert asked how much the State of Wisconsin was paying for the 290<sup>th</sup> Street project. Lorne answered him. Tony then asked if the Board ha approved Attorney Lobert being called to a meeting concerning the disruptive monthly board meeting, or who was responsible for calling Mr. Loberg? Hanson stated that the presence of a lawyer was necessary due to the situation and as chairman has the right to do it. Paul Seeling asked about the legal answer from the Wisconsin Towns Association attorney. Lorne handed out a copy of the letter to Mr. Seeling.

Hanson reported that the 290<sup>th</sup> project is going good and bids will be published in the Pierce County Herald on March 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. The bids will be opened at a special meeting at 2:00 p.m. on April 4, 2013 at the Town Hall.

Hanson reported that Bob Mueller wants \$500.00 for damages to his mailbox due to Town plowing. Hanson had talked to Wisconsin Town Association and they recommended the Board set a flat fee for coverage of damage. After much discussion about the price to be paid, Don moved to send a letter to Mr. Mueller along with the Dept. of Transportation flyer stating regulations for legal mailbox and posts. Mr. Mueller is not incompliance with regulations. Jim Traynor seconded the motion and on oral vote, motion carried. After much discussion Nellessen moved that if the town damages a mailbox with town equipment, the town will reimburse the owner \$50.00 and owner must repair the box. Traynor seconded the motion and on oral vote, motion carried. Clerk to send letter and check to Mr. Mueller.

Nellessen presented paperwork from the Town Insurance Company and lawyer's comments concerning the Subdivision Ordinance. He stated his disapproval of the ordinance and said it has zoning in it and you need a <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> vote for zoning. Hanson explained that they had checked with Andy Pichotta of Pierce County, had a lawyer look at it and that it had been approved by the Board at the December 2012 meeting and that he felt there was nothing left to do except sign it. With this Hanson and Traynor signed the Subdivision Ordinance and Nellessen refused to sign it.

The Board reviewed the proposed contract with the building inspector. Nellessen moved to exclude the new ordinance he wrote up for the town, exclude sec. 5 c, change the wording in sec f and cross out some in sec f, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Clerk to send letter to Todd Dolan and explain our changes.

Hanson moved to approve the operator's license for Keith Nichols, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

In correspondence, Monarch Paving has a change of address, received a letter from Luhrmann Construction regarding dust control and a amendment to the Town of Spring Lake Comprehensive Plan.

Hanson will check with Ayers Associates about having a project engineer inspector for the 290<sup>th</sup> St. project. Nellessen felt they should provide the engineer even if it costs us more.

Patrolman Strom asked for permission to get crushed rock stockpiled for spring road repairs. Board agreed.

There being no further business, Nellessen moved to adjourn, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

#### Special Board Meeting February 22,2013 Gilman Town Hall

- 1. Called to order at 2:00 p.m.
- 2. Present: Lorne, Jim, Don, Dale and David Presterbak from Tractor Central.
- 3. Discuss and take action on new ditch mower.
- 4. Motion by Lorne, second by Jim to purchase a John Deere Cx15 10 ft cutter with extra blade

5. All voted yes

Adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Minutes by:

Lorne Hanson

#### Gilman Town Board Minutes February 13, 2013

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order at 7;00 p.m. on February 13. 2013 at the Town Hall by Chairman Lorne Hanson Prese3nt at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen. Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Patrolman Dale Strom, Mickey Mattison, Ross Christopherson, Tony Huppert, Dana Peterson, Leanna Larson and Phil Verges. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Lorne passed out minutes he had taken of the February 7<sup>th</sup> meeting. Don moved to approve all minutes, Jim seconded pointing out where Sue got her hands on the wrong keys and that she should correct it. On oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer reported an ending balance of \$590.709.17. All taxes were settled with the county and we had received the highway aids. She indicated she wanted to get a new printer as she was having so much trouble and would like to get a program that she could print the checks off on the computer. The Board agreed it would be okay. Don the moved to approve the treasurer's report, Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There was No Public Input.

In the Subdivision Division Ordinance, Don moved and presented a letter from Attorney Rory O'Sullivan of Spring Valley stating we could not sign the ordinance because it contained some aspects of zoning and that was illegal along with a bill for \$375.00 which was not paid. Hanson argued that it was not zoning and the Wisconsin Towns Association said it did not involve zoning. Ross Cristopherson asked if the Wisconsin Towns Association would help us defend it. Jim stated he did not know, but we should take the ordinance to their meeting Saturday and find out. Don agreed and withdrew his motion.

Leeann Larson presented some material they had received from Humphrey's regarding the condition of 876<sup>th</sup> Ave. They want the town to take it over. Lorne had given her some material about the private road orders. Lorne has a copy of their plot that shows it needs to be paved. We can't take the care of our present drive roads. Jim says she should wait until the frost is gone. Don asked Ross Cristopherson if the County Highway Dept. did any checking on the road surface. Ross didn't know. It was suggested they wait until the spring.

Lorne reappointed Dan Seifert as a member of the Planning Commission.

Lorne reported the Fire Dept. is doing very good with an ending balance of \$16,259.00. He also stated they had received the \$33.120.00 from the Village of Spring Valley for the replacement of equipment.

In reference to the 290<sup>th</sup> project, Lorne passed out numbers from the original plan. They had discussed putting breaker rock in flat part, the need for a couple of bigger culverts and that Fesenmaier's did not want anything for the Right of Way, but maybe move their driveway a little. He reported that the Engineering cost would be about \$28,000.00 and that they had no estimate for the project manager.

Sue presented a letter from Mr. Olson where they sent Mr. Thao a settlement check for the fence repair.

Lorne questioned the need for an ordinance for the Building Inspector and it was decided that we should sign an agreement like we had before. Clerk to get copy of agreement and bring it to the Board next month.

Lorne moved to renew the insurance policy, Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Dale Strom reported the roads were in good shape. He said he had used more salted sand than ever before, but it was needed. He asked if they were still interested in looking at a mower. If so he had information from John Deere. They agree to meet with John Deere to discuss it.

Lorne presented a brochure from someone who did limb removal. No action taken.

Don moved to approve the operator's license for Cassie Jorgenson, Jim seconded and on oral vote motion carried/ The Board audited the books of the clerk & treasurer for 2012.

There being no further business, Don moved to adjourn, Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

#### Special Meeting February 7, 2013

A legally notified special meeting was called to order by Clerk Sue Thompson on Thursday, February 7,2013 at 10:00 a.. at the Town Hall of Gilman. Present at themeeting were Cl;erk Sue Thompson, Ron Thompson, Jim Traynor, Bob McMurrin, Tony Huppert, Don Nellessen, Andrea Wieland and Rand E. Bailey.

Thompson explained that the meeting was held to draw the names for the ballot position at our Spring Election. Rand Bailey did the drawing. The first ballot for Chairman was Tony Huppert for first name and Ross Christopherson for second name. For supervisors he drew 1<sup>st</sup> – Phil Verges; 2md – Jim Traynor; 3<sup>rd</sup> Jerey Donath; and 4rh – Don Nellessen. For Clerk he drew Deanne Claypool first and Sue Thompson second.

There being no further business, Jim Traynor moved to adjourn, Rand Bailey seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

#### Caucus Meeting January 24, 2013

A legal meeting of the Town Caucus was called to order by Chairman Hanson at 7:00 p.m.on Thursday, January 24, 2013 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Lorne Hanson, Ken Ruppert, Ron Thompson, Dale Strom Denny Hughes, LaMoine Hanson, Jeremy L. Donath, Bill Emerson, Eric Huppert, Lucy Nellessen, Deanne Claypool, Ken Snow, Don Nellessen, Tina M. Smeby, Carrie Vanasse, Steve Price, Ron Donath, Mary C. Anderson, Paul J.Seeling, Mary Derry, Gwen Derry, Jennifer Madaugh, Jerry Nelson, Kerry Christopherson Ross Christopherson, Tony Huppert, Trudy Huppert, Richelle Bartlett, Matt Johnson, Bridget Johnson, Tom Rauch, Joel Stark, Brenda Stark, Isaac Nellessen, Charlotte Nellessen, Andrea Wieland, Michael Wieland, Brenda Johnson, Larry Hurtgen, Dan Conners, Ruth Nelson, My Sty, Leanna Larson, Sue Thompson.

Chairman Hanson stated that since he was a candidate for office, the first order of business was to elect a chairman. Bill Emerson nominated Tony Huppert, Paul Seeling seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Don Nellessen moved to nominate candidates by ballot, Ron Donath seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Chairman Huppert appointed Mary C. Anderson and Richelle Bartlett at ballot clerks and Lucy Nellessen would write the names on the Board. They passed out ballot and the following were nominated for Chairman; Lorne Hanson, Ross Christopherson, and Tony Huppert. Lorne Hanson, (declined) Jim Traynor (who declined per Sue Thompson) and Larry Hurtgen (declined), leaving Ross Christopherson and Tony Huppert as candidates.

Chairman Huppert then sent ballot around for the position of Supervisors. Nominations were for Jeremy Donath, Jim Traynor, Don Nellessen, Phil Verges, Bob Traynor, Dan Connors, Eric Huppert, Jerry Nelson, Joel Stark, Paul Seeling, Bill Emerson, Tom Rauch, Ron Thompson and Myron Stark. Huppert, Nelson, Seeling, Emerson, Hurtgen, Thompson and Myron Stark declined. The final ballots showed Don Nellessen, Jeremy Donath, Jim Traynor and Phil Verges as candidates for the two supervisor positions.

Chairman Huppert called for nominations were called for Clerk. Nominated were Brenda Stark (declined) Sue Thompson and Deanne Claypool. Sue Thompson and Deanne Claypool will be on the ballot.

Chairman Huppert then called for nominations for Treasurer. Richelle Bartlett and Brenda Stark were nominated. Brenda Stark declined, so Richelle Bartlett is the only candidate for Treasurer.

There being no further business Mary Anderson moved to adjourn, Richelle Bartlett seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

#### Gilman Town Board Minutes January 9, 2013

A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Lorne Hanson at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 9, 2013 at the Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Chairman Hanson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Don Nellessen, Clerk Sue Thompson, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Patrolman Dale Strom, Blia T. Thao, Phua Y. Thao, Born Thao, Mickey Mattison and Andrea Wieland. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.'

Don Nellessen asked that the agenda be amended to include something he had regarding the Subdivision Ordinance. They agree to allow it in at Item #14.

Jim moved to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2012 regular meeting and the January 8 2013 Special Meeting minutes, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Treasurer Bartlett indicated an ending balance of \$100,764.43. She reported that the State withholding got withheld twice, but we would be getting a check back. She remarked that taxes have been coming in very well. Traynor moved to approve the treasurer's report, Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Nellessen moved to accept the printed bills along with additional bills for payment, Traynor seconded and on oral vote,, motion carried.

In Public Input, Mickey Mattison thanked the treasurer for the tax list. He also asked if we had considered Eaton's in Ellsworth about the shop furnace, since we had so much trouble with Boldt's. Hanson indicated we needed to get the shop fixed before we got a different furnace. He mentioned someone who could probably spray foam the walls and get the name for next month's meeting.

Hanson reported on the update from Ayres. He indicated we will probably have to get a larger culvert and they will most likely go with the 11% slope.

The fence repaired by Mr. Thao was discussed. It was decided that the clerk should write a letter to Mr. Thao that it is not a matter for the town board and he should go after Mr. Olson himself.

Clerk Thompson reported that the Social Security for the employee's part will go back up to 6.02% instead of the 4.02% that had been previously charged.

Clerk Thompson asked if the town officers would get extra pay for the additional week they are in office due to the new election laws. Chairman Hanson said that we would not get any extra pay according to the Wisconsin Towns Association,

Clerk Thompson reported that the mileage rate went up to .56<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cents per mile.

Patrolman Strom reported that the roads are good. He and Jim Traynor have been burning the brush piles.

Don Nellessen presented a sheet (copy attached) from the office of Senator Sheila Harsdorf stating that a three member board must have a unanimous vote to qualify for a three/fourths vote. It was decided clerk should check with Wisconsin Towns Association and advise at next meeting.

Clerk Thompson presented a letter she got from the Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation. Hanson said it is something she should keep in case we had a fire call on a State Road and couldn't collect. We can submit the form and get some money back from the State.

Jim Traynor brought up the Wisconsin Towns Association District meeting in Eau Claire. Hamsun and Traynor will be going and Nellessen is not interested. Treasurer to send in reservation fee.

Nellessen moved to go into closed session. Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Traynor moved to return to Open Session. No changes were made in the Closed Session. Nellessen seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

There being no further business, Nellessen moved to adjourn, Traynor seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Thompson

# Special Meeting January 8, 2013

A special meeting of the Gilman Town Board was held on Tuesday, January 8, 2013 at 9:05 a.m. Present at the meeting were Lorne, Don, Jim, Dale Strom and Dave Pantzloff from Ayres Associates, Eau Claire. The meeting was to discuss options for the 290<sup>th</sup> St. project. Three alternatives were discussed: 11% grade; 10% grade and 9% grade. The cost of 11% with 3 inch blacktop work would be about \$172,000 plus engineering costs. 10% grade cost would be about \$225,235. 9% grade cost would be about \$386,000.

It was decided the 11% grade would best fit our purposes. Some things discussed was a single large culvert in the bottom, breaker rock under some of it, and the purchase of a small amount of right-a-way from land owners. New plans are going to be finalized and Dave will get back to us with more different figures

Acting Clerk Jim Traynor

### Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, December 10, 2014

- 1. The December meeting of the Gilman Town Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson.
- 2. *Present at Meeting:* Chairman Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor, Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Linda Price. Also attending: Dewey Anderson, Leanna Larson, Kristy Gillette, Ken Gillette, Tom Rauch, Andrea Wieland, John Larson, Tony Huppert.
- 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- 4. *Discuss/take action minutes of 11-11-14 Budget Hearing & 11-12-14 meetings:* Ross commented that the public budget hearing minutes documented that motions were made when actually the motions should have been made at the special town meeting of electors. After consulting with WTA, they indicated that no changes were necessary. Jim made a motion to approve minutes as presented by the Clerk; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 5. *Discuss/take action-payment of bills:* Six additional checks were added-5 per diem checks for the Plan Commission members amounting to \$230.85 and 1 check for \$182.50 to Gateway Publishing for printing. Phil made a motion to approve payment of bills with additions; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 6. *Public comments pertaining to non-agenda topics:* Ken Gillette was there to represent the residents of the Sorenson subdivision regarding the fee increase on snow plowing. Ross explained the board re-assessed the previous fee and decided it was too low and not covering the time the patrolman was spending. There was discussion about Gilman taking over the private road responsibilities in the future. Tony Huppert inquired about the warranty on the grader. He was concerned that we keep informed as to the status of the warranty so we can keep our equipment up to date. Ross thought it was around 5 years old.
- 7. Treasurer's Report: Richelle reported a beginning balance of \$82,676.20; income-\$29,048.92; expenses-\$15,629.21; ending balance-\$96,095.91. She indicated that tax statements will be sent out on Friday or Monday. She will be transferring \$6000 into the Bridge Fund and \$6000 into the Equipment Fund. We will be delaying the \$23,000 payback transfer until January. Regarding the bonding issue: The Towns Association recommends doing a tax collection bond but there is also an official town bond that the clerk and treasurer, by state law, are required to have before they take office. Apparently that is not always followed. The tax collection bond fee is \$165 which covers up to \$250,000. The official town bond option fee is \$120 for each clerk and treasurer for two years which insures up to \$5000 and does not include tax collections. Jim made a motion to approve the tax collection bond for \$165 with Rural Mutual; Phil seconded and on oral vote motion carried. Will address the other official town bond after the new board is elected in April 2015.
- 8. *Clerk's Report:* Linda indicated that we are dropping the community credit card application process as we are not able to get approved due to unacceptable balance sheets. She did a follow up from the last meeting on our voting machines and reported that they were purchased in Aug. and Oct. of 2008. We pay an annual hardware maintenance agreement of \$520. Battery replacement is not covered but is required during the presidential year election. Linda presented one server application for a Team Oil employee (Dominic Donath). Phil made a motion to approve the application; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 9. *Discuss/take action-Planning Commission Report*: (1.) The Plan Commission approved changing our Subdivision Ordinance requirement for CSM's to be 15 acres or less instead of the current 20 acres or less. That would put us in compliance with what the county requires. A public hearing would need to be scheduled to amend this change. (2.) The Subdivision Ordinance brochure, which is an abbreviated version in a one-sheet format, is complete. This would be used as a

handout for anyone interested in building within the township. It was decided to hold off on publishing the brochure until the CSM amendment is finalized. (3.) Discussed CSM fees. Tom's research indicated that only one township (Oak Grove) had a fee schedule in place but has not yet enforced those allowable fees. The county does charge CSM fees of \$275 on up. After discussion, it was decided to take a wait and see attitude to see if development activity increases within the township. No amendment is needed to enforce a fee in the future. (4) Mary Anderson has been appointed to replace Caroljean Coventree's position on the Plan Commission. Phil wanted to express on behalf of the township, a **thank you** to Caroljean for her 6 years of dedication and hard work with the Gilman Plan Commission. (5) Phil inquired whether there was any updated information on the intersection of 850<sup>th</sup> and County Road B. Ross has not heard anything from the County but will contact them again and will have a report in January.

- 10. *Discuss/take action-Implements of Husbandry Ordinance:* There have been some laws modified that pertain to the weight and size of farm equipment which travels on local roads. Phil reported that there were 6 options the townships have available. If the town selects an option that requires the adoption of an ordinance, it must adopt the ordinance on or before 1-15-15. After lengthy discussion, it was decided to do more research and address the topic in January for action.
- 11. *Discuss/take action-SV Emergency Services:* Jim reported that all involved townships have signed the documents of incorporation and sent into the state for processing.
- 12. *Set Caucus Date*: Jim made a motion to set the Caucus date for Wednesday, January 21 at 7:00 for the purpose of nominating candidates to appear on the spring election ballot. Jim seconded the motion and by oral vote, motion carried. Linda Price presented her notification of noncandidacy for the clerk position.
- 13. *Road Report*: Dewey reported that he has been plowing and sanding; received 10 loads of salt/sand so far; and he has been cutting brush and trees with Bob. Tony had some concerns about the neglect of plowing and sanding on County Road CC. He would like to see Gilman or the Village take over that area and be reimbursed.
- 14. Chairman's Report: Nothing to report.
- 15. The Board convened into closed session at 8:10 p.m. for the purpose of a performance valuation data for patrolman Dewey Anderson pursuant to SS19.85 (a) WI Stats. Present at the closed session: Ross, Jim, Phil, Richelle, Linda and Dewey.
- 16. At 8:25 p.m. the board returned to open session. Ross reported that Patrolman Dewey Anderson had been given an overall satisfactory performance rating. Phil made a motion to adjust his base wages by 1.25% and add an increase benefit package of 49¢ per hour. Jim seconded the motion and by oral vote, motion carried
- 17. Jim made a motion to adjourn at 8:35 p.m.; Phil seconded and by oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Price, Clerk

## Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, November 12, 2014

- 1. The November meeting of the Gilman Town Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson.
- 2. *Present at Meeting:* Chairman Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor, Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Linda Price. Also attending: Dewey Anderson, Lorne Hanson, Mickey Mattison, J. Helmer
- 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- 4. *Discuss/take action minutes of 10-8-14 & 10-9-14 meetings:* Jim made a motion to approve minutes as presented by the Clerk; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 5. *Discuss/take action-payment of bills:* 3 additional checks were added amounting to \$504.91. Phil made a motion to approve payment of bills with additions; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 6. There were no public comments pertaining to non-agenda topics.
- 7. Treasurer's Report: Richelle reported a beginning balance of \$84,315.65; income-\$26,928.43; expenses-\$28,567.88; ending balance-\$82,676.20. Income included our highway aids of \$25,621.00. We will be receiving our shared revenue on Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>. Richelle did a comparison report for bonding insurance with Rural Mutual and The Horton Group. Rural Mutual quoted \$165/year for \$250,000 which appeared to be the better quote. The board would like more information from Rural Mutual. Richelle will follow up next month with that information
- 8. *Discuss/take action-Ambulance/Fire Dept. Report:* Jim presented documents of incorporation for Spring Valley Ambulance and Fire Department for approval and signatures. They will now be known as the Spring Valley Area Emergency Services, Inc. The documents were received by the Board and all townships involved prior to the meeting for review. Phil made a motion to approve the agreement; Ross seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 9. Discuss/take action-Planning Commission Report: Phil indicated the Paul Arneson CSM was approved with a slight contingency but they have been able to verify their questions since then. Mr. Helmer was present to answer any questions but none were presented. Jim made a motion to approve the Arneson CSM as presented; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Phil also reported that the committee is still working on the subdivision ordinance pamphlet and hope to complete at their December meeting. There will be some vacancies open in 2015 for the Planning Commission so Phil was requesting possible candidates for these openings.
- 10. Discuss/take action-Operator's Permits: Linda presented 2 applications for Team Oil (Bryce Unser & Jessica Peterson) and 4 permits for Red Barn Convenience Store (Thomas Koehne, Lisa Koehne, Gretchen Thom, Randolph Thom). Phil made a motion to approve all 6 applications as presented; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 11. Discuss/take action-business credit card: Linda indicated that we received a letter of denial as they needed balance sheets for the last 2 years. She emailed those to the bank this week. No action taken.

- 12. Discuss take action-County Bridge petition: Ross presented a Bridge petition for bridge construction by Russell Grape property at 690<sup>th</sup> Ave. Jim made a motion to accept the petition for \$14,013.62; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. This petition allows us to receive 50% county bridge aid next year.
- 13. Discuss/take action-plowing fee for Sorenson subdivision: Initially, the fee was set at \$75. After discussion, Phil made a motion to adjust the fee to \$100; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. The new fee will be effective immediately. Richelle will notify the subdivision representative Ken Gillette of new fee.
- 14. Road Report: Dewey reported ditch projects were complete; Arneson driveways have been installed; grading done; still some mowing to do; got 1 load of patching material from Pierce County; fuel inspector was here to do inspections; the county did some patching on 690<sup>th</sup>; used gravel for fixing road shoulders. Dewey indicated we should be getting a bill from Martell for patching machine rent. Got hydraulic cylinders back for the truck and some repair done on snowplow. Gravel project done on Lenarz road; received 4 loads of salt/sand from county.

At this time, the Board and Dewey reviewed our Service Fee Rates and reset fees for certain services as follows:

\$70	First 15 minutes snowplowing
\$35	Per service sanding
\$125	Per trip plowing & sanding for Corp. of Engineers
\$45	Per service plowing for Town of Spring Lake
\$75	Per service plowing for Town of Cady
\$15	NSF charge
her fees from $1_1_2013$	schedule remained unchanged. These adjusted rates w

All other fees from 1-1-2013 schedule remained unchanged. These adjusted rates will be effective immediately.

- 15. Chairman's Report: Ross had nothing to report this month.
- 16. Linda reported that at the election, she had a few comments that new citizens had trouble locating the Town Hall. She suggested installing a sign on Highway 29. Also thought the signage by the dumpster needed sprucing up. No action taken.

Jim made a motion to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Price, Clerk

## PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING November 11, 2014

The Budget Hearing was called to order by Chairman Ross Christopherson at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 11, 2014 at the Gilman Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Ross, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett and Clerk Linda Price. Also attending: Andrea Wieland and Dewey Anderson. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

There was open discussion regarding salaries of elected town officials and town employees. Linda presented a wage survey of like populated townships. Phil made a motion to increase the Treasurer salary by 3% (\$5840); Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Andrea made a motion to increase the Clerk salary by 3% (\$9270) and add a per diem of \$100 per election; Phil seconded. By a show of hands, 4 voted in favor and 3 opposed. Motion carried. Phil made a motion to increase the Election Chief Inspector position to \$11 per hour; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Copies of the 2015 Proposed Budget were available for review. Revisions were made to Clerk Salary, Treasurer Salary and Election Expenses. Ross pointed out that the Bridge Aid should be an additional \$7000 more than proposed budget. That adjustment was made on the revenue side and added to Highway Outlay on the expense side. This adjustment increased the budget to \$467,717.

Jim made a motion to adjourn public hearing at 7:50 p.m.; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF ELECTORS November 11, 2014

Immediately following the Budget Hearing, Chairman Christopherson called the meeting to order pursuant to Section 60.12(1)(c) of Wisconsin Statutes for the purpose of the following:

- 1. Andrea made a motion to approve the proposed salaries for elected officials; Dewey seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 2. Phil made a motion to approve the 2015 Town Tax Levy of \$275,293; Richelle seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 3. Jim made a motion to approve the total highway expenditures for 2015; Richelle seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

At 8:00 p.m. Andrea made a motion to adjourn, Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

# SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING November 11, 2014

Immediately following the Special Meeting of the Electors, Chairman Christopherson called a Special Meeting of the Board for the purpose to adopt the 2015 budget for the Town of Gilman. All Board Members were present. Jim made a motion to approve the amended 2015 Budget; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. No further business was discussed at this time. Jim made a motion to adjourn at 8:01 p.m.; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Price, Clerk

# 2015 Budget Planning Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 9, 2014

- Chairman Ross Christopherson called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.
- Present at this meeting were Ross Christopherson, Jim Traynor, Phil Verges, Richelle Bartlett, Linda Price and Dewey Anderson
- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- Ross announced the purpose of this meeting is to discuss and prepare for the 2015 budget. Linda handed out a 2015 budget preparation worksheet and topic discussion agenda. The group went through each budget category line by line and made adjustments as needed.
- It was decided to change the name of the sinking fund to "equipment fund" to better clarify the purpose of this fund for citizens.
- Linda requested a pay increase for the election inspectors as they are required to attend 6 hours of election training. Jim suggested pay increases for the Clerk and Treasurer positions. This will be added into the budget to be presented at the special town meeting of the electors. Linda will gather data from surrounding towns for comparison.
- There was discussion regarding the \$75 plowing and sanding fee set for the Sorenson subdivision. Dewey suggested that a \$100 fee is a more accurate charge after going through one trial winter.
- There was discussion about the upkeep of the town hall building. The board thought the shingles could go another year but would budget \$1000 for miscellaneous updates.
- The Public Budget Hearing has been scheduled for Tuesday, November 11, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Price Clerk

#### Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday October 8, 2014

- 1. The October meeting of the Gilman Town Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson.
- 2. *Present at Meeting*: Chairman Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor, Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Linda Price. Also attending: Dewey Anderson, Gretchen Thom, Andrea Wieland, Tom Rauch.
- 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- 4. *Discuss/take action minutes of 9-10-14 meeting and 9-25-14 Public Hearing:* Jim motioned to approve minutes as presented by the Clerk; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 5. *Discuss/take action on payment of bills:* Richelle made a correction on the Xcel Energy bill to read \$49.24. Phil made a motion to pay bills as presented; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 6. There were no public comments pertaining to non-agenda topics.
- 7. *Treasurer's Report:* Richelle reported a beginning balance-\$111,789.43; income-\$1627.50; Expenses-\$29,101.28; ending balance-\$84,315.65. She indicated the remaining transportation aids of \$25,621 were deposited on Monday and we will be getting shared revenue amount of \$28,389 on Nov. 17.
- 8. *Discuss/take action-Ambulance/Fire Dept. Report:* Jim was hoping to have documents to present to the board for action but the village attorney didn't have them ready so will add to November agenda for action.
- 9. *Discuss/take action on Revised Comprehensive Plan:* Phil reported that the Public Hearing was held on 9-24-14 and no public questions or objections were noted at this hearing. With that said, Phil made a motion to adopt the Revised Comprehensive Plan Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Ross thanked the Plan Committee for all the excellent work they did. The revised plan will be added to Gilman's website.
- 10. *Discuss/take action on operator's permits and liquor licenses:* Linda indicated that there were no operator's permits to present. A Class A Beer and Liquor application for Red Barn Discount Liquor Convenient Store LLC with Randolph Thom as the agent was presented. Jim made a motion to approve the application; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Also, a Class B Beer and Reserve Class B Liquor with Gretchen Thom as the agent were presented. Phil made a motion to approve this application; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. These licenses were previously held by First National Bank of River Falls and will be changed over upon property closing on October 15, 2014.
- 11. *Discuss/take action on business credit card:* Linda indicated that she was been working with First Bank of Baldwin on this. A Visa business credit card application has been completed along with required documents. She will report back in November if approved. No action needed.
- 12. *Road Report:* Dewey reported that he has been grading, cutting brush, mowing and sealed 8 bridges. Took truck up to Midwest Diesel for a tune-up. Repaired a pothole on 850<sup>th</sup>; working on cleaning out ditches around the culverts. Jim got a call from County Concrete that they have washed sand for sale for \$2/yard. After discussion, it was decided not to purchase as we don't have mixing facilities to accurately mix salt with the sand.

- 13. *Chairman's Report:* Ross reported that he has had comments that the roads are in good shape. There is a meeting coming up on October 16<sup>th</sup> with the Towns Association at the Union Town Hall for the Pepin and Pierce County Units.
- 14. Phil made a motion to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Price, Clerk

## Town of Gilman Public Hearing

Wednesday, September 24, 2014

Chairman Ross Christopherson called the public hearing to order at 7:02 p.m. He announced the purpose of this public hearing was to discuss the revisions of the Comprehensive Plan which was originally adopted January 13, 2010.

Present at the hearing: Chairman Ross Christopherson, Supervisor Phil Verges, and Clerk Linda Price. Also present were Plan Committee members Tom Rauch, John Lenarz and Steve Price.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

Tom summarized that the revisions consisted of updating, editing and some corrections. There was some rewording to make things more concise and deleting some repetitive statements. There were no additions to the plan itself. Ross complimented the Plan Committee for their excellent job. There were no questions or objections from the public. The Revised Comprehensive Plan will be added to the October Board meeting agenda for action.

Phil made a motion to adjourn at 7:23 p.m.; Ross seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Price, Clerk

#### Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, September 10, 2014

- 1. The September meeting of the Gilman Town Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson.
- 2. *Present at Meeting:* Chairman Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor, Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Linda Price. Also attending: Bill and Karen Fesenmaier, Dewey Anderson, Lorne Hanson, Andrea Wieland, Tom Rauch.
- 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- 4. *Discuss/take action minutes of 8/13/14 meeting:* Jim motioned to approve minutes as presented by the Clerk; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 5. *Discuss/take action on payment of bills:* Phil made a motion to pay bills as presented; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 6. There were no public comments pertaining to non-agenda topics.
- 7. *Treasurer's Report:* Richelle reported a beginning balance-\$71,221.79; income-\$106,810.75; expenses-\$66,243.11; ending balance-\$111,789.43. She indicated that a majority of the income came from our second half tax settlement. Toward the end of the year we will be paying the \$23,000 back to the sinking fund.
- 8. Ambulance/Fire Dept. Report: Jim distributed copies of the August board meeting minutes to the Gilman members for review. Highlights were that the Ambulance Board has decided to purchase the building from the Village of Spring Valley. They explored cost options of building a new facility and came up with \$400,000. Two new EMT's are working on getting their training.
- 9. Discuss/take action-Planning Commission Report: Phil reported that they have a conditional use request from Fesenmeier's for a 50 x 100 shed to be constructed on their property for his business. The Planning Commission has reviewed this request and has approved it to be presented to the Gilman Board for approval. Jim made a motion to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve the Fesenmeier conditional use permit request; seconded by Phil and on oral vote, motion carried. This document will be forwarded onto the County for further action. Phil reported the committee is working on a summary document for the subdivision ordinance. He suggested a fee structure be put in place due to time involved in reviewing individual CSM requests. There was also discussion on Gilman's 20 acre versus the County's 15 acre requirement for surveying. This 5 acre difference falls under the township's responsibility which requires extra footwork and expense for the township. The committee will research further and come up with a recommendation to be presented to the Gilman Board at a future date. Any changes in the subdivision ordinance would require a public notice. Phil also reported on a topic from the comprehensive plan regarding the Schmitt Timber intersection (850<sup>th</sup>/Co. Rd. B & I). Ross reported the county does not have any immediate plans for reconstruction for this intersection. Jim suggested we make a proposal to the County Highway Dept. for a 4-way stop to make it safer for all. No action taken.
- 10. Discuss/take action-Operator's Permits: Linda presented one permit application for a Team Oil employee- Shanna Ellefson. Phil made a motion to approve the application; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

- 11. Discuss/take Action-Murtha and PIG quotes: Phil reported that we received 2 written quotes from both companies and PIG appears to be lower. Discussion on container size needed and Ross recommended keeping the 8 yards dumpsters and assess in 6 months. We would also take advantage of locking the dumpsters during off-time. Phil motioned to accept PIG's quote of \$585 per month for two 8 yard containers for 2015; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 12. Road Report: Dewey reported big dump days will be this weekend. Dave will be bringing the steel dumpster on Thursday and truck will follow. John Lenarz's driveway is starting to wash out between the culverts and would like a load of crushed rock for this area. Pierce/Pepin is burying highline on 410<sup>th</sup> and 770<sup>th</sup>. Concern about pole placement. Working on a couple driveway permits for Paul Arneson for field entrances. Richard Aamodt and Richard Grape's ditches are being worked on. Mowing will be done when it dries up. Sealing bridges discussion: Ross thought it was important to do and as part of maintenance should be done on our 8 concrete bridges. Scott Wood would help Dewey on this task.
- 13. Chairman's Report: Ross received our yearly road certification packet and he will be working with Dewey to complete the report.
- 14. 2015 Budget Discussion: We should have numbers by the end of September. Will decide by end of September if we need a separate meeting for budget preparation.
- 15. Phil made a motion to adjourn at 8:00; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Price, Clerk

#### Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, August 13, 2014

- 1. The August meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson
- 2. *Present at Meeting:* Chairman Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor, Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Linda Price. Also attending: Sandra Littrell, Gene Littrell, Steve Price, Andrea Wieland, Dewey Anderson, Tom Rauch, Karen Fesenmaier, Bill Fesenmaier.
- 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- 4. *Discuss/take action minutes of 7-9-14 meeting:* Phil questioned a sentence in item #12 regarding grader patching. Linda will make this adjustment in the minutes. Jim motioned to approve minutes with the one change, Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 5. Discuss/take action payment of bills: Ross added 2 invoices from Pierce Co. Hwy. for \$3021.27; \$2.62 sales tax was deducted from the Fire Ext. Equipment invoice. The Deere Credit payment of \$48,819.51 was approved but will be delayed until 9-1-14 for payment. Phil motioned to pay the bills with those changes/additions, Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 6. There were no public comments pertaining to non-agenda topics.
- 7. *Treasurer's Report:* Richelle reported a beginning balance-\$106,419.12; income-\$34,656.75; expenses-\$69,854.08; ending balance-\$71,221.79. She reported on the dump activity and one person still has an unpaid dog license. Phil is following up with this person and will issue a citation if not resolved by next month. Jim motioned to transfer \$6000 from the sinking fund to the general account to cover this month's bills; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 8. *Ambulance/Fire Dept. Report:* Jim reported that at the last meeting the Board decided not to purchase the house adjacent to the Fire Hall. But they will continue to pursue purchasing the Fire Hall from the village which will take some time. The Fire Dept. received a grant for \$125,000 for fire fighter equipment. The Corporation paperwork should be finished up at the next meeting which will change the name to Spring Valley Emergency Services.
- 9. Discuss/take action Plan Commission Report: Phil turned the floor over to Tom Rauch to report. Tom reported that Bill Fesenmeier submitted a CSM proposal. One minor technicality was the map did not show driveway entrances. Tom added that with this new bigger lot, they will be constructing a warehouse for his Dairy Supply business. They would need a conditional use permit which will be presented at the next Plan Commission meeting. The Plan Commission approved the proposal to be submitted to the Gilman Board for their review. After discussion, Phil made a motion to approve the CSM as presented; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. On a second agenda item, final draft copies of the revised Comprehensive Plan were distributed to the Board for their review. Jim motioned to accept the revised draft as presented; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. A Public Hearing will be scheduled for September 24, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

- 10. *Discuss/take action on operator's permits:* Linda presented an operator's application for Tori Sturm. Phil made a motion to approve the application; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 11. *Discuss/take action on Murtha & PIG quotes:* Phil did not have all the documents needed to make a decision so will add to the September 10<sup>th</sup> meeting for review.
- 12. Road Report: Dewey reported that the new tractor has been delivered and had a few mechanical issues but have since been resolved. Larry Madson gravel project is done. Dewey and Jim did pothole patching. The county brought 4 loads of grader patch material which was used on 410<sup>th</sup>. Mattison Contractors completed the bridge by Russell Grape's. The cattle pass has been taken out; did some brushing around the bridges. Dust control is complete. Chuck Sorenson's culvert was done by Nick Brooke. Talked to Richard Aamodt about his standing water problem. The Fire Extinguisher Inspection is done. Dewey would like permission to purchase a gas powered limb saw. Price range was \$499-599. Ross commented that this was township maintenance business and no formal action would be needed.
- 13. Chairman's Report: Ross had nothing to report.
- 14. *Discuss Budget activity:* Linda presented a spreadsheet to the Board to use as a budgeting guideline. The Board will schedule the budget preparation for the October 8<sup>th</sup> agenda. The Budget Hearing will be scheduled in early November.
- 15. Phil made a motion to adjourn at 8:08 p.m.; Jim seconded and on oral vote motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Price, Clerk

## Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, July 9, 2014

- 1. A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson.
- 2. *Present at Meeting:* Chairman Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor, Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Linda Price. Also attending: Thomas Burke, Pam Burke, Dewey Anderson, Andrea Wieland
- 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- 4. *Discuss/take action minutes of 6-11-14 meeting:* Phil motioned to approve minutes as presented; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 5. *Discuss/take action payment of bills:* Ross added Pierce Co. Highway bill for \$6409.20. Jim motioned to approve list of bills with the one addition; Phil seconded and on oral vote motion carried.
- 6. No public comments pertaining to non-agenda topics.
- 7. Treasurer's Report: Richelle reported a beginning balance-\$116,473.71; income-\$2,872.67; expenses-\$12,927.26; ending balance \$106,419.12. Richelle recommended transferring \$17,000 from sinking fund to checking to cover this month's expenses. Jim made a motion to transfer \$17,000 from sinking fund to checking; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Richelle reported the highway aids and fire dues were received. Also, there are still outstanding dog licenses due. Jim suggested a final due date of Friday, July 11.
- 8. *Ambulance/Fire Dept.* Report: Jim handed out minutes from the June Emergency Services meeting. They would like township board input regarding possible property purchases for future expansion. After discussion, it was decided there was not enough conclusive information to comment. Will add topic to the August agenda and Jim will gather more information to report.
- 9. *Discuss/take action on Planning Commission Report:* Phil reported Caroljean is working on editing the final document. The document should be complete by the end of July and be ready to present at the August Town Board meeting. At that time, a public hearing will be scheduled. No action taken. Phil received a phone message from a surveyor regarding a survey for Bill Fesenmeier but the person never returned his call.
- 10. *Discuss/take action Operator's Permits:* Linda presented Operator's applications for Betty Humphrey, Elizabeth McDonnell and Patrick Heiser. Jim made a motion to approve the applications; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 11. *Discuss/take action Murtha versus PIG:* Phil will request 2015 bids from both companies to have available for August board meeting. No action taken.
- 12. *Road Report:* Dewey reported road posts and stop signs are installed; mowing around once is complete. There are some issues with Pioneer Press boxes installed illegally. Phil is following up with the company to resolve problem. No word on dust control schedule. Reported on grader patching. Chuck Sorenson on 890<sup>th</sup> wants something done with his culvert. It is plugged with mud. Dewey will follow up with a recommendation. A culvert on 850<sup>th</sup> by Jason Cebulla's also needs work. There is going

to be a bike ride September 21<sup>st</sup> which will be traveling through our township (400 bicycles). Dewey got word this morning that the tractor is in and they are waiting for a part. Delivery should be Monday or Tuesday. Shalom Tire will show up and pump rim guard out. Regarding 690<sup>th</sup> project: Estimate of \$10,000 from Mattison Contracting to do bridge, pumping underneath, rip rap on both ends, taking off the over-burden and taking out the cattle pass but no paving. Ross thought we should go ahead and get the work done but was wondering if this amount would fit in our budget. Cost sharing qualifications were discussed. Dewey needs an estimate for loads to order for patching needs. Ross will get together with Richelle and have a dollar amount of patching for him.

- 13. *Chairman's Report:* Ross had a complaint about high grass by Hwy. 63 and 850<sup>th</sup>. Dewey mowed at this area. Dog complaint from W3528 850<sup>th</sup>. Ross told the 2 neighbors to work it out between them. Received a call from a lady on 730<sup>th</sup> regarding the horse apples on the road. Ross agreed it is an issue and is irritating but the township is not responsible for citations.
- 14. Jim motioned to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Phil seconded and on oral vote motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Price, Clerk

## Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, June 11, 2014

- 1. A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson. Jim motioned to amend the agenda to add discuss/take action on Bridge petition. Motion was approved.
- 2. *Present at Meeting:* Chairman Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor, Phil Verges, Clerk Linda Price. Treasurer Richelle Bartlett absence was excused. Also attending: Lorne Hanson, Andrea Wieland and Dewey Anderson.
- 3. The pledge of allegiance was recited by all present.
- 4. *Discuss/take action minutes of 5/14/14 meeting and 6/4/14 special board meeting:* Phil indicated the utility permit application fee was recorded incorrectly. Linda will make the change on the form and also minutes. Phil motioned to approve minutes for both meetings with the change indicated, Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 5. *Discuss/take action payment of bills:* Jim motioned to approve list of bills presented, Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 6. *No public comments pertaining to non*-agenda topics.
- 7. Treasurer's Report: Linda presented Richelle's report on her behalf: Beginning balance-\$126,073.68; Income-\$3080.82; Expenses- \$12,680.79; Ending balance-\$116,473.71. She had also prepared a short list of delinquent dog licenses. The Board will divide up the 5 names and contact them by phone within the next month. If there is no response, citations will be issued. It was also mentioned that if you see a resident with dogs present on their property and there is no record of paid licenses, they should be contacted by letter.
- 8. *Discuss/take action on Planning Commission Report:* Phil reported that both Boards had met in a public meeting on 6-4-14 for the purpose of reviewing the proposed revised Comprehensive Plan. He expects the final draft to be complete sometime in July. At that time, we will add to the meeting agenda for action from the Board. A published public meeting will be required to finalize the revisions.
- 9. Discuss/take action Operator's Permits & Liquor Licenses Applications: Linda presented Liquor License renewal applications for Team Oil and Country Store & Gas. Also First National Bank of River Falls will be taking over JC's Red Barn Café renewal application. Team Oil had 21 operator's permits and Country Store & Gas had 8 operator's permits. Jim motioned to approve Class A Beer and Class A Liquor licenses renewal applications and operator's permits for Team Oil, Country Store & Gas and Class B Beer and Reserve Class B liquor renewal application for First National Bank of River Falls. Phil seconded the motion and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 10. Discuss/take action on Murtha versus PIG: Phil is compiling information on this and found that Justin Murtha had under estimated quoted fees given previously. He changed his verbal quote from \$260 to \$310 per week. He also said that most customers are using 6 yard dumpsters rather than the 8 yard ones that we are currently using. Locking dumpsters are available at no extra charge and flexible pickup is OK for a reduced fee. Curbside pick-up with one company was also discussed in lieu of a central dumpster site. Ross thought this would be a future choice but didn't think Gilman

residents were ready for this at this time. It was mentioned to request both companies to present a bid for services for the year 2015. This topic will be added to our July meeting agenda for taking action.

- 11. Ambulance/Fire Dept. Report: Jim reported that Eau Galle Township has distributed a petition to be included in the SVAA system but needs approval from their Town Board and United. If this is approved, Spring Valley will charge them on a per capita rate and they would not have voting power. The Fire Dept. has their new 4 x 4 and is in operation. The old one is up for sale and bids will be accepted until June 30<sup>th</sup>. A flyer is posted on Gilman's notice board.
- 12. Road Report: \*Dewey noted there is a pending invoice for pot hole patch material. He spread gravel on 5 different sections which covered 3 ½ miles. Jim assisted Dewey with this project. \*He is using Cady's shoulder disk for gravel work. \*Tractor Central reported that our tractor is complete but is on a "cold hold". He figured we should have delivery in about 2 weeks. \*The township road trip has been completed. \*Adam and Dewey will start the new stop sign posts next week. \*Wayne Sieg showed up to look at shop for new garage door and windows. He will prepare an estimate. \*Discussed grader patching requirements and assessments. \*Discussion about Bridge by Russell Grape's. Ross cautioned about taking proper channels for bridge repair in order to qualify for 50/50 bridge aid. Dewey will contact Jim Harris to look at job site.
- 13. Chairman's Report: \*Ross reported that every 2 years the larger bridges with greater than 20 foot span have to be inspected. We hire Pierce County inspectors. We have 11 bridges in the system which qualifies for 80/20 bridge aid (80% federal; 10% county; 10% township). Ross reported that most of the issues are maintenance and nothing too major. He will get together with Dewey for follow up. A bridge by Apple Orchard qualifies and a bridge on 450<sup>th</sup> qualifies for replacement. Last year there wasn't any money for local bridge project funding. The new federal transportation bill is pending and could distribute local bridge aid a year from this fall. It appears like it will be 2016 before bridges will be replaced. \*Ross reported receiving a flyer for Humane Officer Training. Lorne spoke up and said that if the township were to impound stray dogs, we would need a qualified person for that duty so no training is required by us. \*Ross had a phone call from the Eau Claire Humane Society inquiring whether we had authorized a cat to be brought to them. Cats do not fall into the townships responsibility, only dogs. He will follow up with them about this incident.
- 14. *Discuss/take action County Bridge Petition:* This is in regard to the bridge on 450<sup>th</sup> street, approximately 1000 feet north of 770<sup>th</sup> avenue. We had water running under it and it caved in on the north side. It was dug up, re-riprapped, seeded and mulched. Mattison Contractors pumped in grout which resulted in over \$2000 of work. The total bill was \$6409.20. By applying for this bridge petition, the township pays the bill. In March 2015, all township bridge aid petitions will get ½ of costs back. Phil motioned to apply for county bridge aid for 450<sup>th</sup> street culvert project, Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

15. Jim motioned to adjourn at 7:56 p.m., Phil seconded and on oral vote motion carried. Respectfully submitted, Linda Price

## Town of Gilman Special Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, June 4, 2014

- 1. A special meeting with the Gilman Town Board and Planning Commission was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Phil Verges. Chairman Ross Christopherson would be attending later that evening. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss/take action on the revisions and recommendations of the 2009 Comprehensive Plan.
- 2. *Present at Meeting:* Phil Verges, Jim Traynor, Ross Christopherson, Linda Price, Tom Rauch, John Lenarz, and Steve Price.
- 3. All Board members were provided with a 68 page copy of the proposed Comprehensive Plan for their review prior to the meeting.
- 4. The document was reviewed and discussed on a "page by page" basis. Revisions and follow up items to be made are as follows:
  - It was noted that several Appendix were missing. Tom indicated that they were being updated and he would follow up with Carol Jean on that issue.
  - Eliminate "Rustic Road" designations due to too many restrictions.
  - Eliminate painting center lines on town roads due to long term upkeep costs.
  - Jim clarified several paragraphs regarding the Spring Valley Fire Department and Ambulance Service as they are now jointly owned.
  - Safety improvement responsibilities for intersection of County I, County B and 850<sup>th</sup> Avenue will be handed over to the Gilman Board for follow up. Ross will contact Chad at the Pierce County Highway Dept. to do a traffic survey for possible minor collector designation.
  - Ross suggested we address the topic of ground water concerns and sink hole sites in the township. Steve will compose a paragraph addressing this issue under "Natural Resources" topic.
  - John will update the Zoning Map.
- 5. Tom will follow up with Carol Jean on final changes and additions. After a final draft is completed, a Public Meeting will be scheduled with a 30-day written and published notice. No action was taken at this time.
- 6. Jim motioned to adjourn at 9:15 p.m. Ross seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Price, Clerk

#### Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, May 14, 2014

- 1. A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson.
- 2. *Present at Meeting:* Chairman Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor, Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Linda Price. Also attending: Mickey Mattison, Tony Huppert, Dewey Anderson, Margy Balwierz, Andrea Wieland, Bill Parks
- 3. The pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- 4. *Discuss/take action minutes of 4/9/14 meeting:* Phil motioned to approve minutes as presented; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 5. Public comments pertaining to non-agenda topics: \*Tony Huppert inquired if there were any issues regarding transfer of liquor licenses for the Red Barn if he were to purchase? \*Margy Balwierz is organizing a committee called "Stay Put" which helps elderly people stay in their homes longer. She requested use of the town hall facility temporarily for their monthly meetings. So far attendance has been around 6 people. They would meet the first Tuesday of the month in the morning. The Board gave Margy permission to use the facility at no charge. \*Bill Parks introduced himself as a candidate for Pierce County Sheriff.
- 6. *Discuss/take action-payment of bills:* Jim motioned to approve bills with 2 late additions of Solid Waste-\$510.70 and Highway Dept.-\$1498.36. Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- Treasurer's Report: Beginning balance-\$111,333.75; income-\$34,214.39; expenses-\$19,474.46; ending balance-\$126,073.68. Richelle reported that we received transportation aids and lottery credit. We also collected \$1918.81 for plowing and sanding. She presented a list of 13 residents who have not paid for dog licenses or responded to inquiry notices. She will send out a 2<sup>nd</sup> late notice May 16<sup>th</sup>.
- 8. *Discuss/take action on Planning Commission:* Phil reported that they met in April and are still in the process of making changes and corrections. The final touches will be complete at the May meeting. A tentative date of June 4<sup>th</sup> is scheduled to present the final draft to the Gilman Board.
- 9. Discuss/take action on operator's permits, liquor licenses applications: Linda presented an operator's permit for Kim Hajney, employee at Red Barn Country Store. Jim motioned to approve the application; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. It has been noted that the purchase of the Red Barn complex by Randy and Gretchen Thoms did not go through. Liquor licenses remain in previous and current ownership.
- 10. Discuss/take action of driveway and utility permit applications: Jim motioned to adopt the utility permit application with the following adjustments-waive fee for removal of trees or chemical treatment of brush but notification of these services is required. Permit fee and first 200 foot segment parallel to centerline is \$75. Each additional 1000 foot segment parallel to centerline is \$55. Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Ross and Linda will work on designing the application. This will be available on our website. Phil motioned to keep the existing driveway application form with the following adjustments: Change wording to read "The driveway must be at a safe pull out distance of 7 seconds". The application fee would be \$75 but fee would be waived for improving existing driveways. Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 11. Discuss/take action on garbage bag fees: Jim motioned to increase garbage bag fee to \$3.00; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. This is effective immediately on newly purchased tickets. There was discussion on fees for Murtha versus PIG for monthly billings. Again, it was suggested to lock dumpsters to avoid usage during unattended hours. Phil will

follow up with both companies regarding details of their billings (i.e. fuel surcharges, contracts, locking options). Follow up at June meeting.

- 12. Road Report: Dewey reported that a box culvert needed fixing; on 410<sup>th</sup> there is a double culvert that has quite a hole. He was called out 3 times for down trees. We are scheduled for mid-June for dust control; have been out grading roads; took weight limit signs down (except for 330<sup>th</sup> will leave on another week or two). One of our road closed signs was stolen. Will schedule road drive-around for Tuesday, May 20 at 8 a.m. Ross reported the estimated cost for box culvert repair at 450<sup>th</sup> is \$4000 for Pierce County and \$2000 for Mattison Construction.
- 13. Chairman's Report: On April 30<sup>th</sup>, Ross met with Dewey for a 6 month probationary review and Board give him a very satisfactory review. The Board of Review is scheduled for Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup> from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m.
- 14. Phil motioned to adjourn at 8:25 p.m.; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Price, Clerk

### Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, April 9, 2014

- 1. A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson.
- Present at Meeting: Chairman Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor, Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Linda Price. Attendees that signed in: Gretchen Thom, Tom Koehn, Dewey Anderson, Julie Karlstad, Lorne Hanson, Andrea Wieland, Doyle Anderson
- 3. The pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- 4. *Discuss/take action minutes of 3-12-14 meeting:* Correction on item #10-"290<sup>th</sup> by Fesenmaier's" and name spelling of meeting attendee changed to Doyle. Jim motioned to approve minutes with changes; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 5. There were no public comments pertaining to non-agenda topics.
- 6. *Discuss/take action on payment of bills:* Phil motioned to pay bills as presented; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- Treasurer's Report: Beginning balance-\$149,373.63; income-\$7,267.79; expenses-\$45,307.67; ending balance \$111,333.75. Richelle reported that the paving bill for 330<sup>th</sup> from Pierce Co. Highway is now paid in full. Property tax chargebacks have been received and also received highway aids of \$25,620.00 this week.
- 8. *Discuss/take action Planning Commission:* Phil reported the committee has completed their review of the Comprehensive Plan. At their meeting next week, they will compile recommendations and schedule a special meeting with the Board. No action needed at this time.
- 9. *Fire Association & Ambulance Report:* Jim reported that there was a combined meeting on 3/19. Fire Dept. has a new 4 x 4, should be in operation by 4/15. A profit and loss statement was on hand for review. The Ambulance Dept. was inspected by the state last month and received a perfect score. They have 2 new devices called a Lucas Device which will be placed in both units for cardiac arrest victims. There is a petition in Eau Galle Township to change their emergency services for part of the township to Spring Valley rather than Baldwin. Other information mentioned was there are 3-4 new people, blood drive and fundraisers.
- 10. Discuss/Adopt Resolution MABAS System: This is a mutual aid agreement with the whole state of Wis., part of Illinois and possibly part of Minn. This resolution would present an opportunity for these areas to contact each other for voluntary services of manpower and/or emergency equipment. Jim said that 99% of the state's Fire Dept. has signed on. Phil motioned to adopt the resolution of the "Mutual Aid Box Alarm System"; Jim seconded and on oral vote motion carried.
- 11. *Discuss/take action-Updating driveway & utility permit applications*: Ross has been working on updating the 2 forms which he formatted from the WI Co Hwy Association. Regarding the utility permit form: Discussion about whether to charge utilities for tree cutting removal, chemical treatment of vegetation and fees. Ross would like to get patrolman involved in viewing the sites and assessing plans provided by utility companies. The fees would help recover the cost of regulating and monitoring the projects. Regarding driveway permits: This would be for new driveways on township

roads and improving existing driveways. Open discussion on requirements, fees and if ordinance is needed to enforce. No action taken. Will continue discussion in May after gathering more information.

- 12. Discuss/take action: Operator's Permits, Liquor Licenses Applications-Linda presented an operator's permit application for Team Oil employee Aerial Dickenson. Phil motioned to accept the application; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Liquor license applications were presented for Randolph Thom, agent for Red Barn Discount Liquor and Convenient Store LLC (formerly known as Country Store and Gas, Inc.) and Gretchen Thom, agent for Red Barn Sports Bar and Grill LLC (formerly known as JC's Red Barn LLC). Prior to the meeting, the applications had been reviewed by Loberg Law Office. Recommended modifications have been completed and everything appears to be in order. Jim motioned to issue the liquor license for Red Barn Discount Liquor and Convenient Store LLC; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Phil motioned to issue the liquor license for Red Barn Sports Bar and Grill LLC; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. Jim motioned to accept the operator's license applications for Randolph Thom and Gretchen Thom; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 13. *Road Report*: Dewey said that some frozen culverts had been steamed out; county has been around checking the bridges, no salt/sand since last meeting. Excess salt/sand will be stored at Spring Lake's shed until next fall if needed.
- 14. *Chairman's Report*: Ross received a letter from Kramer regarding rock prices-up a little bit from last year. Received a letter regarding dust control. Last time we sprayed was 2012 and used 4000 gallons. It was 98 cents a gallon and this year around \$1 gallon. Big dump days is scheduled for May 2 & 3. Phil will schedule Murtha to have dumpsters on that weekend and Linda will have notice published. Ross would like to see us encourage our residents to use the Pierce County Recycle Center to dispose of dangerous chemicals, batteries, etc. and items we don't normally take at our local dump days.
- 15. Phil motioned to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Price, Clerk

#### Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday March 12, 2014

- 1. A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson.
- Present at Meeting: Chairman Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor, Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle, Clerk Linda Price. Attendees that signed in: Nan McMurrin, Lance McMurrin, Don Nellessen, Tom Koehne, Andrea Wieland, Lorne Hanson, Pamela Burke, Tommy Burke, Doyle Anderson.
- 3. The pledge of allegiance was recited by all present.
- 4. *Discuss/take action of minutes of 2-12-14 meeting:* Jim motioned to approve minutes as presented; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 5. *Public comments pertaining to non-agenda topics:* \*County Supervisor Ken Snow gave a brief report on the Pierce County Jail project. He indicated a resolution was passed to start the process of moving forward. Board and audience had questions and concerns for Mr. Snow. \*Don Nellesson inquired about quotes for township insurance.
- 6. *Discuss/take action on payment of bills:* 2 Highway bills were added to the list. Phil motioned to pay bills which included the 2 additions; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- Treasurer's Report: Beginning balance-\$754,480.80; income-\$2,608.47; expenses-\$607,715.64; ending balance-\$149.373.63. Richelle reported that highway aids will be coming April 7<sup>th</sup>.
- 8. *Discuss/take action Planning Commission:* Phil reported the Plan Commission met in February. They are continuing to review the Comprehensive Plan and should have it completed in one more meeting. The next step would be to meet with the Gilman Board with their recommendations which he thought would be late April or early May. No action taken.
- 9. *Update small claims summons:* Richelle reported that a check for \$466.00 was received from Kerry Nelson. A letter was sent to the Clerk of Court to dismiss the small claims order. She mentioned we will not be able to recoup costs for filing claim.
- 10. *Road Report:* Jim Traynor presented a report for Dewey who was not present. 40 loads of salt and sand had been delivered to date. The truck box has been repaired. Inquired about weight limit signs as Dairyland Power needs to get in a big truck next week to set some big poles off of 850<sup>th</sup>. Ross said to put up signs as soon as possible but to work with the Power Company so they can get their work completed within the timeline. At the end of the plowing year, Dewey would like to take the truck to a fabricator for needed maintenance. He will get an estimate and report to board next month. Concerns were presented regarding blacktop cracking issues on 330<sup>th</sup> near Donath driveway and cracks in center of road on 290<sup>th</sup> by Fesenmaier's. There were favorable comments mentioned about the great job our patrolmen are doing this winter.
- 11. *Recycling Discussion Continued:* Phil recapped the discussion from the February meeting. He indicated that we had come to a rough conclusion that we needed to look at raising rates for garbage bag punch tickets. Open discussion. Lorne Hanson thought it was important to provide this service and Ross said it was also important to break even. As mentioned before, the topic will be presented at Annual Meeting in April.

- 12. Discuss/take action Operator's Permits, Liquor Licenses Applications: Linda presented an operator's permit for Jamie Forshier from the Red Barn Country Store. Ross motioned to approve; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motioned carried. Two liquor license applications were presented for Randolph Thom, agent for Red Barn Discount Liquor Convenient Store and Sports Bar LLC and Gretchen Thom, agent for Red Barn Sports Bar and Grill LLC. Linda read a letter from the Thom's outlining their plans (they were not present) and Tom Koehne was present to answer any questions on the Thom's behalf. We will publish a public notice in Sun/Argus and Valley Values next week regarding the applications. State Statues require a 15 day wait time before board approval which would be April 1<sup>st</sup>. Ross said that was so close to the regular April 9<sup>th</sup> meeting that we would put on the agenda for approval at that time.
- 13. Chairman's Report: \*Ross received a letter from Pierce Pepin in regard to line clearance construction projects. They have a meeting March 26<sup>th</sup> and would like a Gilman representative present. Ross said if not snowing, Dewey could attend. \*Received a letter from the county that this is the year for bridges that are over 20 ft. long that are on the federal system need to be inspected. In the past, Pierce County Bridge inspectors have completed this task. Ross thought there were 6-8 bridges that fell into this category. \*Letter from Eau Claire Humane Assoc. 2014 municipal animal control agreement. Update names and sign agreement; prices same as last year. \*Letter from state regarding salt storage inspection. They are coming the week of March 10<sup>th</sup> to inspect our site and if we still have salt/sand will come back on April 15<sup>th</sup>. \*Ross is working on updated driveway permit form and utility permit form. Made a draft copy which was formatted from the ones used by the county and state. Recommended fees to be the standard fees used by state and county. Currently Gilman does not have a utility permit process except to approve them when a contractor comes to us so thought we should implement a formal request to monitor proper guidelines. Ross would like board to examine the drafts and discuss/take action at the next meeting. The current request from Baldwin Telecom will fall under our current approval process.
- 14. *Auditing and closing of 2013 books:* Clerk and Treasurer presented their books to the board for auditing. Upon examination the board found the books to be in order. Jim motioned to close 2013 books and records; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 15. Phil motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m.; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Price, Clerk

#### Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, February, 12, 2014

- 1. A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Phil Verges.
- 2. *Present at meeting:* Supervisors Jim Traynor and Phil Verges; Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Linda Price, Patrolman Dewey Anderson. Also attending: Lorne Hanson Chairman Ross Christopherson was absent.
- 3. The pledge of allegiance was recited by all present.
- 4. *Discuss/take action on minutes of 1-8-14 and 1-21-14 meetings:* Jim motioned to approve minutes as presented; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 5. There were no public comments.
- 6. *Discuss/take action on payment of bills:* The board decided we could pay \$60,000 toward the Pierce Highway invoice from 11-8-13 this month. Jim motioned to pay bills as presented with the one addition; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 7. *Treasurer's Report:* Richelle presented corrected amounts from the January minutes expenses \$50,500.08 and ending balance \$95,825.93. January deposits were \$1,083,489.38; expenses \$424,834.51; ending balance \$754.480.80. February tax settlement will be due soon.
- 8. *Discuss/take action on insurance quotes:* Phil motioned to accept Rural Mutual Insurance proposal of \$4379 for the businessowners policy premium and workman's compensation premium of \$2732; for a total of \$7111, effective February 18, 2014. Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 9. *Discuss/take action-Planning Commission Report:* Phil reported the committee is still working on the 3 year evaluation. He commented that the committee had some confusion on how in-depth they needed to go with this evaluation and action plan and wondered at what point in time the Gilman Board got involved. Jim responded to continue with your review and document any changes. We would schedule a separate special meeting with the Board and Planning Committee when they have completed their review. Phil thought their review would be complete later in March. No other issues to follow up on at this time.
- 10. *Update on Small Claim Summons:* Richelle reported that she filed a claim today to be served by Pierce County Sheriff. The filing fee was \$94.50 plus a \$75 fee for Sheriff fees. The hearing is scheduled for March 12, 2014 at 2:00.
- 11. *Road Report:* Dewey reported that we were up to 32 loads of sand; he purchased tools and a tool box for the shop; had 2 calls on mailbox damage; he noted that there are cracks in the asphalt by Donath's driveway. There was discussion about delivering salt and sand to individuals and costs vs. fee. Jim motioned to set a fee of \$25/ton for a full load and \$30/ton for a partial load; 8 tons equals 1 load. Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 12. *Discuss Recycling Options:* Richelle handed out a worksheet showing profit and losses on the dump activity for the past 3 years. She indicated that we have never met the cost figures during those 3 years. This cost sheet did not include attendant wages of approximately \$2288 per year. Another report compiled by Linda indicates that we have 233 households in our township with 117 users of at least one time which is 50% usage.

Phil noted that the big dumpster day's figures were closer to breaking even than the weekly figures. It was concluded that we might need to raise the ticket fee to get us closer to a break even number and eliminating the service is not an option. Phil said that raising the fee to \$3/bag would be a 20% increase and would get us closer to breaking even. We still have problems with dumping during non-service hours. We will continue this discussion in March and have a recommendation to present to the taxpayers at the annual meeting.

- 13. No Operator's Permits to present
- 14. *WTA District Meeting:* Jim, Phil and Linda will be attending the meeting on 2-28-14 in Eau Claire.
- 15. No Chairman's Report
- 16. Phil motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. /Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

# TOWN OF GILMAN SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, January 21, 2014

1. A special board meeting was called to order by Chairman Ross Christopherson at 2:13 p.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2014

2. Present at the meeting: Chairman Ross Christopherson; Supervisors Jim Traynor and Phil Verges; Patrolman Dewey Anderson; Clerk Linda Price. Also attending was Tractor Central sales representative Dave Prestebak.

3. The purpose of the special board meeting was to discuss/take action on a purchase agreement for a new loader tractor.

4. Mr. Prestebak presented Quote #8814688 for a purchase agreement price of \$7000.00. He explained that we normally are rolling over a tractor every 2 years or 5-600 hours. The proposed quote is for a 6125M John Deere Cab Tractor with the same specs as our current 6430 tractor. Upon receipt of a letter of intent from the Town of Gilman, the tractor order would be placed and payment would be due upon delivery which would be approximately mid-May 2014.

5. Phil motioned; Jim seconded to approve the purchase agreement for a new John Deere Cab Tractor and H340 Farm Loader for \$7000. Upon oral vote, motion carried. Linda will send a letter of intent to purchase to Tractor Central.
6. Phil motioned to adjourn at 2:30 p.m.; Jim seconded and on oral vote motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Price, Clerk

### Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, January 8, 2014

- 1. A legal meeting of the Town Board of Gilman was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson.
- 2. *Present at meeting:* Chairman Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Linda Price, Patrolman Dewey Anderson. Also attending: Tom Jenkins (Rural Insurance), Don Nellessen, Tony Huppert, Andrea Wieland.
- 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present
- 4. *Discuss/take action on minutes of 12-11-13 meeting.* Phil made a correction on item #7-line 10 should read file/not filed. Jim motioned to approve minutes with changes as mentioned; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 5. *Public comments pertaining to non-agenda topics:* \*Tony Huppert expressed concern about the assessment ratio number on property tax bill. There was discussion regarding compliance percentages. He was wondering if property re-assessment could be moved up. Ross explained that we have 4 years to do a re-evaluation and comply with state's standards. It was his consensus the longer the township waits to re-evaluate the better the evaluation and likely longer we'd stay in compliance. 2016 is our re-evaluation date with the proposed contract from Owen Assessing. Tony would bring up the topic at the annual meeting. \*Several people requested the tax roll list to be included with tax bills in the future. Richelle mentioned that would require more postage but would look into it for next year.
- 6. *Discuss/take action on payment of bills:* Phil motioned to pay bills as presented; Jim seconded and on oral vote motion carried.
- 7. *Treasurer's Report:* Richelle reported an opening balance of \$49,943.89, expenses of \$52,611.26, income of \$96,382.12, ending balance of \$93,714.75. Received highway aids of \$25,620.09. Reported \$43,969.96 in available funds. It was decided to delay payment to Pierce County Highway Dept. until February.
- 8. *Insurance Quotes:* Tom Jenkins from Rural Insurance introduced himself and presented his insurance quote along with a handout to the Board. The Board will take action on our decision at the February meeting.
- 9. *Discuss/take action Planning Commission Report:* Phil reported that Alan Sukowatey has decided to withdraw his request for a CSM because he has decided to sell the 25 acres in one parcel rather than parcel it out. Because this was a verbal communication, Phil recommended we follow up with a letter indicating his withdrawal. Phil motioned to deny Alan Sukowatey's CSM application due to his withdrawal request; seconded by Jim and on oral vote motion carried. The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled in a couple weeks. Phil requested future discussion on why Gilman has the 20 acre requirement versus the 15 acre requirement for the CSM. Jim suggested discussing with the Planning Commission members first and then come to the Board with a recommendation on that topic.
- 10. *Discuss/take action on past due fire call bill:* Richelle reported that she sent a letter to Kerry Nelson indicating that if the \$455 bill was not paid by 1-8-14, the Board would be discussing the future action of this bill at their monthly meeting. There had been no

response from Mr. Nelson. Richelle indicated a filing fee of \$94.50 plus recovering costs. Jim motioned to proceed with small claims filing; Phil seconded and on oral vote motion carried.

- 11. Discuss tractor trade: Ross couldn't find anything in the purchase agreement that indicates options after so many years or hours. Dewey thought the agreement was \$7.50 per hour and they like to have it at every 2 years with an average of 300 hours per year. He figured that anything over that would have an extra charge but not sure of the amount. The hours on the tractor now are at 623 in 2 seasons. At a meeting in October with Dave from Tractor Central they indicated that they want to upgrade the tractor with an undetermined fee and it was a better value to trade at 2 years rather than 3 years. The last tractor was at 2 ½ years with 700 hours on it. The tractor and loader was traded at 700 hours for \$6000. It was decided that Dewey, Jim and Phil would meet with Dave from Tractor Central to get a written proposal to present at the February board meeting.
- 12. *Discuss road report:* The truck has new tires on it; the tractor tire is back. We are at 23 loads of sand from the county this year. Nortrax was here in November and worked on the grader leak which was warranty work. Will be getting a bill for filters.
- 13. *Operator's permits:* Linda presented 1 application for a Team Oil employee, Kasey Krueger. Phil motioned to accept the application; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 14. Chairman's Report: Ross had a letter from the Clerk of Court for the Census Bureau to reduce burden on local gov't by reporting boundary changes to the county rather than the Bureau directly. He turned this over to the Clerk and Treasurer to follow up. Ross has a list of spring projects: 1- Update driveway permit form and add to our website; 2- Create a township utility permit to outline a process and charge a fee.
  3-Would also like to look at our garbage costs. Richelle is working on that and should have available at the February meeting. Jim recommended that if there are going to be changes on garbage costs, it should be discussed at the annual meeting in April.
- 15. Jim motioned to adjourn at 8:23 p.m.; Phil seconded; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Price, Clerk

### Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman Ross Christopherson

2. Roll call: present at meeting; Chair Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett and Clerk Becky Manley. Also attending the meeting; Dewey Anderson, Andrea Wieland, Mickey Mattison and Tom Petersen

3. Pledge to the flag

4. *Discuss/take action;* approval of minutes-11/10/15 & 11/11/15 meetings. Motion by Jim to approve the minutes,  $2^{nd}$  by Phil, motion carried

5. *Discuss/take action;* payment of bills – with the addition of \$244 to Gateway, motion to approve by Phil,  $2^{nd}$  by Jim, motion carried

6. *Discuss/take action;* operator's permits – motion to approve 1 permit by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried

7. *Treasurer's report;* Beginning balance: \$132,453.49, income: \$29,575.47, expenses: \$39,271.02, ending balance: \$122,757.94 - of these funds, \$99,991.86 is in the Equipment & Bridge accounts, leaving \$22,766.08 for liquid funds.

8. *Public comments, non-agenda;* Mickey suggested a fee for residents desiring extra dust settler in front of their property. The Chair said this was a topic that could be addressed at the Annual Meeting.

9. *Discuss/take action;* approve Election workers – motion to approve list by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried

10. *Discuss/take action;* tractor options – Dewey stated he has had no response from the John Deere rep, so the discussion is tabled until next meeting. If there is no response, Dewey will pursue other options

11. *Emergency Services report;* - there was no meeting to report on

12. *Planning Commission report;* - the commission received 1 certified survey map to approve. Motion to approve by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried. The Commission is looking for a new Chairperson

13. *Road report* – PACER report is complete (worksheet which details the road conditions in Gilman)

14. *Chairman's report;* Ross has submitted the TRIP money application to the state to request grant money for a road project on 690<sup>th</sup> Ave to be completed in 2017. The Chair is looking into grant money for a project that would extend the walking path from Highway 29 in Spring Valley to the High School so pedestrians can safely reach the school. He wants to clarify which township/s would be involved. Agenda items for January meeting: Rural Mutual representative wishes to be heard, tractor options, Emergency Services and Planning Commission reports.

15. Motion to adjourn by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.

Becky Manley, Clerk

#### Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2015

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Chair Ross Christopherson

2. Roll Call; present at meeting: Chair Christopherson, Supervisors Traynor and Verges, Treasurer Bartlett and Clerk Manley. Also attending, Mickey Mattison, Tom Peterson, Tom Rauch and Dewey Anderson.

3. Pledge to the flag

4. *Discuss/take action;* approve minutes. Motion by Jim to approve minutes of 10/14/15 meeting & 10/20/15 special meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil; motion carried.

5. *Discuss/take action;* payment of bills. Motion by Phil to approve bills as presented. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim; motion carried.

6. *Discuss/take action;* operator's permits. Motion to approve 4 applications by Phil. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim; motion carried.

7.*Treasurer's report;* Beginning balance-\$191,793.05; income:\$27,304.76; expenses:\$86,644.32

Ending balance-\$132,453.49. Last quarter of Highway Aids are included in income. Shared revenue deposit expected on 11/16/15.

8. *Public comments; non-agenda;* A resident inquired about town ordinances and was directed where to find this information.

9. *Discuss/take action;* service fee rates. A motion to approve rates with the addition of an approved rate for Gilman Church of \$45 per/plow for one year by Phil. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim; motion carried.

10. *Discuss/take action;* LRIP money and projects. Motion to submit the 690<sup>th</sup> Ave. Project by Phil. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim; motion carried. The 690<sup>th</sup> project (Stonehammer Hill) will be submitted to the state for the grant money.

11. Discuss/take action; tractor replacement. The township will pursue a new tractor in 2016

12. Item removed from agenda

13. *Planning Commission report;* Tom Rauch will step down as Chair of the Planning Commission.

14. *Road report*; Mowing project is almost complete. All ditches not previously mowed were first in line to be cut before winter. Chair Christopherson motions the town request Bridge Aid money for the 850<sup>th</sup> Ave project for \$9120.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil; motion carried. The Board directed the Chair and Clerk sign the request, and the clerk to send it to the appropriate persons.

15. *Chairman's report;* Ross thanked the clerk and treasurer for all their work on the budget prep and the levy limit proposal. Ross and Dewey requested the spreadsheet for the road rating report. This report lets the electors know the condition of our roads. They will work on this report together.

16. Motion to close the meeting for the purpose of performance valuation for the patrolman by Jim,  $2^{nd}$  by Phil; motion carried.

17. Motion by Jim to return to open session.  $2^{nd}$  by Phil; motion carried. Board returns to open session. Motion by Jim to approve the terms of the patrolman's review, which includes a \$.31 increase in pay.  $2^{nd}$  by Phil; motion carried.

18. Motion to adjourn by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:27pm.

Submitted by Becky Manley, Clerk

#### Town of Gilman **Special Meeting Minutes Budget Public Hearing and Electors Vote** Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2015 7:00pm

1. Public hearing declared open by Chair Ross Christopherson at 7:00pm

2. Pledge to the flag

3. The Chair explains the reason for the special hearing and confirms how the attendees wish to learn the details of the proposed budget. It is decided that the Chair will explain the 2016 budget proposal line by line and answer any questions, followed by an open discussion. Present at the meeting; Chair Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor and Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett and Clerk Becky Manley. Also in attendance; Dewey Anderson, Tom Manley, Andrea Wieland, Bob Sebion, Tom Peterson and Dave Debold.

4. Public Hearing declared closed at 8:12 pm by the Chair

#### Special Meeting of Electors

5. Special Meeting of Electors called to order at 8:13 pm by the Chair, pursuant to Section 60.12 (1)(c) of the Wisconsin Statutes for these purposes:

6. Motion to approve salaries with no changes for elected officials by Andrea Wieland, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dewey Anderson; motion carried.

7. Motion to approve proposed 2016 budget with a change by Richelle Bartlett. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil; motion carried with the provision that \$12,000 is moved from Maintenance to Outlay in the Highway Expense category.

 8. Motion by Phil to approve the highway expenditures for 2016, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dewey; motion carried.
 9. Motion to adjourn Special Meeting of Electors by Richelle, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim; motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

## Special Town Board Meeting

10. Special meeting of Town Board to adopt the 2016 proposed budget called to order, immediately following the Special Meeting of Electors

11. Motion to approve proposed 2016 budget by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil; motion carried.

12. Motion to adjourn by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried.

13. Meeting adjourned at 8:24 pm.

Submitted by Becky Manley, Clerk

#### Town of Gilman Special Meeting Minutes Public Hearing on Proposal to Increase Levy Limit Vote by Electors Tuesday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015

1. Present at meeting: 74 Gilman residents and the Town Board; Chair Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Phil Verges and Jim Traynor, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett and Clerk Becky Manley

- 2. Meeting called to order at 7:07pm by Chair Ross Christopherson
- 3. Pledge to the flag
- 4. Introduction of the Board to the public
- 5. Chair and Clerk verify the meeting was properly noticed
- 6. Treasurer's explanation of how the tax levy is affected by the proposal
- 7. Chair's presentation of how additional monies will be spent on roads in Gilman Township to maintain roads which are rapidly deteriorating

8. The public is invited to speak, with each speaker given a 2 minute time limit to keep the meeting productive

9. Public hearing declared closed at 8:05pm by Chair Christopherson

Special Meeting of the Town of Gilman Electors

1. Meeting called to order at 8:06pm by Chair Ross Christopherson

2. The Chair and Clerk verify the meeting was properly noticed

3. Motion by Joe VandenBerge to have paper ballets, seconded by Jeff Pelzel. Voice vote. Motion carried.

- 4. The Chair appoints tellers to count the ballots
- 5. The votes are cast and counted

6. The votes are 34 to approve and 45 against. The proposal fails.

7. Motion to approve 2015 Town Tax Levy of \$279,238.00 by Richelle Bartlett, seconded by Joe Stangl. Voice vote. Motion carried.

8. Motion to adjourn meeting by Kerry Christopherson, seconded by Joe Stangl; meeting adjourned at 8:27pm

#### Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, October 14, 2015

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Ross Christopherson

2. Present at meeting: Chair Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Phil Verges & Jim Traynor, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett & Clerk Becky Manley. Also attending; Dewey Anderson, Andrea Wieland and Mickey Mattison

3. Pledge to the flag

*4.Discuss/take action;* approval of minutes: Motion to approve minutes of 9/9/15 and special meeting on 9/20/15 by Phil, seconded by Jim; motion carried

5.*Discuss/take action;* payment of bills: Total bills amended - addition of 2 bills to bring total to \$92,919.32. Motion to approve by Phil, seconded by Jim; motion carried

6. *Treasurer's report;* Beginning balance: \$270,107.10; income: \$1270.69; expenses: \$79,584.74; ending balance: \$191,793.05. Grader payment for \$48,818.51 made for the year; one payment remaining. Final Highway Aids and Shared Revenue income expected.

7. Public comments, non-agenda; no comments

8. *Discuss/take action; operator's permits:* motion to approve 3 permits by Phil, seconded by Jim, motion approved

9. *Discuss/take action;* 2016 budget. # 9 skipped over in favor of #10, leaving budget topic for last.

10. *SV Emergency Services Report;* new ladder truck expected soon. Old truck to be purchased by United. Emergency Services is considering buying their current building from the Village of Spring Valley.

11. *Road Report;* bridge sealing project, wedging project and Violet's View culvert all complete. Dewey attended a class about salt/sand calibration. The John Deere tractor lease is up in 2016 and the board is considering their options. Road Certification Annual Report has been submitted by Ross with assistance from Dewey.

\*9\* 2016 Budget; The board went through the itemized budget worksheet line by line, assuming the levy limit will not increase more than the usual yearly percentage. This number could change if the levy limit increase is approved by voters next week.

12. *Chairman's Report;* agenda items for next meeting: tractor replacement, approval of election workers, R.I.P. money & projects. Public hearing for 2016 Budget set for Nov. 10, 2015 at 7:00pm. Special meeting of Electors, and special board meeting to approve budget set for same night. Planning Commission report. Closed session item: Patrolman's contract.

13. Motion to adjourn by Jim, seconded by Phil, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:04 pm.

Town of Gilman Special Meeting Minutes Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2015

- 1. Present at meeting: Chair Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Phil Verges & Jim Traynor, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett & Clerk Becky Manley. Also present, Mickey Mattison, Dewey Anderson, Bob McMurrin and Sam Ranis.
- 2. Pledge to the flag
- 3. *Discuss/take action:* Board resolution to propose exceeding the levy limit. Motion by Phil to adopt the resolution to exceed levy limits, seconded by Jim. Motion carried.
- 4. *Set meeting date for public hearing and vote:* The Board decided to have the public hearing and vote on the same night. It will take place Tuesday, Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 7:00pm
- 5. *Budget:* Budget to be approved by the end of November. Board asked if there are any known areas in need of increase. SV Fire has approved a budget increase in the amount of funds deposited into savings for equipment. Phil suggested the Board consider new shingles on the Town Hall, which are about 20 years old.
- 6. *Agenda items for next meeting:* SV Emergency Services report; 2016 Budget; operator's permits.
- 7. *Adjourn:* Motion to adjourn by Phil, seconded by Jim; motion carried, meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm

#### Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, September 9, 2015

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Chair Ross Christopherson

2. Present at meeting: Chair Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor & Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett & Clerk Becky Manley. Also present; Dewey Anderson, Andrea Wieland, Mickey Mattison, Tom Manley and Steve Ranus.

3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

4. *Discuss/take action*-approval of minutes of 8/12/15 meeting. Motion to amend agenda item #10 by Jim Traynor, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil Verges, motion carried to amend and include discussion of a new truck for the fire department. Minutes approved.

5. *Payment of bills*-motion to approve bills by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, with addition of Brooke Excavating bill. Motion carried.

6. *Treasurer's report;* Beginning balance \$186762.95 income: \$110319.04 expenses: \$26974.89 ending balance: \$270,107.10

7. *Public comments:* Tom Manley asked the board about possible spraying of weeds in the township ditches and expressed his disapproval of such. The township does not spray weeds in ditches.

8. *Discuss/take action*-operator's permits. 3 applicants. Motion to approve by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried.

9.*Discuss/take action*-Adoption of a resolution supporting an increase to the levy limit. The Board decided there will be a special meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2015 to adopt the resolution, with voting to take place the week of October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015. No action taken, as the levy limits have not been published yet.

10. *SV Emergency Services*-The fire department will be borrowing \$325,000.00 for a newer truck. Jim Traynor shared the Spring Valley Fire Association's 2016 proposed budget, which includes a proposal to raise the amount of money deposited into savings for new equipment. Traynor expressed his disapproval for this, and asked the Board to form an opinion to be shared with the Fire Association. Motion to approve the borrowing of money for a new truck approved.

11. *Road report*-Violet's View repair project is underway. Driveway issue on 330<sup>th</sup> addressed. Richelle shared the road outlay budget spending for the year so far.

12. *Chairman's* report- Workshops being held in Eau Claire at the end of September-suggestions that board members attend. Agenda items for next meeting to be held October 14<sup>th</sup>; Emergency Services report. Budget discussion to begin at next meeting.

13. Motion to adjourn by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil. Meeting adjourned at 8:23pm.

### Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, August 12, 2015

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Chair Ross Christopherson

2. Present at meeting: Chair Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Phil Verges & Jim Traynor, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett and Clerk Becky Manley. Also attending: Dewey Anderson, Andrea Wieland and Mickey Mattison

3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

4. *Discuss/take action*-payment of bills. Motion to approve by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried.

5. *Discuss/take action*-minutes of 8/12/15 meeting. Motion to approve by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried

6. *Treasurer's report:* beginning balance: \$200163.68, income: \$32683.44, expenses: \$46084.17, ending balance: \$186762.95. Highway Aids are in, as well as the Shared Revenue credit and the exempt computer credit. Next month, 2<sup>nd</sup> half of taxes are expected along with Lottery Credit. John Deere payment will be due, which will be the second to last payment.

7. *Public comments:* Mickey Mattison questioned driveway placement on 410<sup>th</sup>. A letter from Marvin Olson about a field drive on 850<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Olson contends previous Chair had promised to remove the drive, as there is no culvert and drains onto Olson's property. The Board will look into placing a culvert there, or removing the drive.

8. *Discuss/take action*-operator's permits. 5 applicants. Motion to approve by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried.

9. *Discuss/take action*-Board proposal to raise levy limits. Levy increase proposal would be 36%, or \$100,000.00. Approximately \$111 per/\$100,000.00 of property valuation. The Board detailed the steps taken to adopt the resolution, which is expected to be proposed in September.

10. *Discuss/take action*-road funding re: B-east wedging project and Violet's View access road. Work has begun on the B project with new pipes being laid. No new information about the Violet's View project.

11. *Road Report:* Spring Lake will bill the township for the boom mower shared rental. Washouts have been refilled. A plastic pipe on 330<sup>th</sup> needing repair was discussed. The Chair will speak with the property owner about installing a metal end wall. A guard rail on the same road was discussed. The height is probably not tall enough.

12. *Chairman's report:* 2 bridges to be inspected on 750<sup>th</sup> and 450<sup>th</sup>. Agenda items for September: resolution adoption for levy increase; Emergency Services report; Fall workshops put on by the WTA. St Croix Forestry will be cutting on 3 properties.

13. Motion to adjourn by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

### Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, July 8, 2015

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman Ross Christopherson

2. *Present at meeting:* Chair Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Phil Verges & Jim Traynor, Clerk Becky Manley. Also attending: Dewey Anderson, Andrea Wieland and Mickey Mattison.

3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

4. *Discuss/take action*-minutes of 6/10/15 Motion to approve by Jim, seconded by Phil, motion approved.

5. *Discuss/take action*-payment of bills. Motion to approve by Phil, seconded by Jim, motion approved.

6. *Treasurer's Report:* Beginning balance: \$203,774.81; income: \$10986.29; expenses: \$14,597.42; Ending balance: \$200,163.68.

7. *Public comments:* Mickey Mattison questioned the cost of road maintenance and the possibility of increasing the yearly road outlay.

8. *Discuss/take action*-operator's permits. 1 applicant, move by Phil to approve, seconded by Jim, motion carried.

9. *Road funding options:* Gilman has 48 miles of road to maintain, including bridges, with a yearly outlay of approximately \$106,000.00 El Paso's budget is \$250,000 and Trimbelle's budget is \$300,000. Taxes could increase by \$111 per \$100,000 of property valuation if the Board proposes a levy increase of \$100,000.00 for our road outlay and it is approved by voters. Add resolution adoption steps to next agenda as the Board wishes to move forward with levy increase.

10. *SV Emergency Services:* St. Louis Park, MN is purchasing a new ladder truck, and has offered it's used truck for approx. \$100,000. This truck is newer and has more features and it is significantly less than a new truck which costs approx. \$400,000. SV would like to purchase this truck, and is exploring funding options.

11. *Road report:* Scott Construction and County proposals for crack filling on 330<sup>th</sup>, and discussion took place about the wedging project on 890<sup>th</sup>. Dewey is planning for the boom mower use before the dust settler project. Ditch mowing is done. Violet's View driveway project discussed. Car hit a bridge on 770<sup>th</sup>. The county will repair the bridge and Gilman will submit the bill to the insurance company.

12. *Chairman's report:* nothing to report. Next meeting Aug 12. Agenda topics: blacktop wedging project on 890<sup>th</sup> Ave, road funding, and levy increase proposals.

13. Motion to adjourn by Jim seconded by Phil. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:30.

#### Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, June 10, 2015

1. May meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman Ross Christopherson

2. *Present at meeting:* Chair Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Phil Verges & Jim Traynor, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Becky Manley. Also attending: Dewey Anderson, Andrea Wieland, Doug Zahler, Nick Kraemer, Tony Huppert, Isaac Nellessen and Don Nellessen.

3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. *Discuss/take action-minutes of 5/13/15 meeting*. Motion by Jim to approve minutes, seconded by Phil, motion carried.

5. *Discuss/take action-payment of bills*. Motion by Phil to approve bills as presented, seconded by Jim, motion carried.

6. *Treasurer's Report:* Beginning balance:\$215,989.65;income:\$1,611.68;expenses:\$13,826.52; Ending balance:\$203,774.81 Richelle presented a list of dog owners still needing to pay their

license fees. Fees must be paid by 6/19/15 or late fees will be assessed. 7. *Public comments:non-agenda;* Tony Huppert suggested a laptop would be a useful tool for the Clerk.

8. *Operator's permits:* Move by Jim to approve permits, seconded by Phil, motion carried.

9. *Liquor License & tobacco renewals:* **Team Oil-**motion to approve by Jim, seconded by Phil, motion carried; **Red Barn Convenience Store-**motion to approve by Phil, seconded by Jim, motion carried; **Red Barn Sports Bar and Grill-**motion to approve by Phil, seconded by Jim, motion carried.

10. *Driveway issue:* resident wants to change placement of driveway and wants to know how to proceed, and would also like to purchase a small amount of blacktop from the township if possible. 4 buckets is the highest amount residents can buy if available.

11. *Road funding options:* Discussion of road outlay budget (\$106,000), and how to raise that number. Doubling the current budget would raise taxes approximately \$111 per \$100,000 valuation.

12. *Planning commission report:* 2 CSM's submitted for approval: Honeycrest Farms-move by Ross to approve, seconded by Phil, motion carried. Gordon & Lois Verges-move by Jim to approve, seconded by Ross, motion carried.

13. *Road report:* Discussion about gravel prices with Nick Kraemer, as well as ongoing project updates. Road grading is mostly done.

14.*Chairman's report*:Ross has received calls about burning and potholes. Next meeting 7/8/15. Agenda items: road funding, emergency services report. Motion by Phil to adjourn, seconded by Jim, meeting adjourned at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted, Becky Manley, Clerk

#### Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, May 13, 2015

1. May meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman Ross Christopherson

2. *Present at meeting:* Chair Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Phil Verges & Jim Traynor, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Becky Manley. Also attending: Dewey Anderson, Andrea Wieland, Gretchen Thom, Linda Price and Mickey Mattison.

3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. *Discuss/take action-minutes of 4/8/15 meeting*. Motion by Jim to approve minutes, seconded by Phil, motion carried.

5. *Discuss/take action-payment of bills*. Motion by Jim to approve bills as presented, with the addition of the Mattison Transport bill, seconded by Phil, motion carried.

6. *Treasurer's Report:* Beginning balance:\$200,694.35;income:\$37,159.34;expenses:\$21,864.04; Ending balance:\$215,989.65. Richelle explained a large fee which was applied in error and

refunded. It was a bank error.( Highway aids:\$26,649.70; Lottery credit: \$6,446.49.) 7. *Discuss/take action*-public comments: Gretchen Thom, Red Barn owner, wished to discuss a Grand Opening weekend in July with live music and alcohol sales and consumption outdoors. They would also like to host more outdoor events during the summers. It was established that the description of the property on the license application should cover all the property they wish to sell alcohol on. Gretchen said she would amend her application to reflect this. She will also check with the county regarding noise and alcohol ordinances. The renewal applications are ready for approval during the next meeting.

8. No operators permit applications this month.

9. *Discuss/take action*-Spring Valley Emergency Services Report. Jim presented the minutes from the SVAES board meeting.

10. *Discuss/take action*-position bond: State law requires a bond for elected officials. \$5000 for each Clerk & Treasurer and accounts signers recommended by WI Towns Assoc. Motion by Phil to purchase bond through Rural Mutual/Statewide Services for \$5000.00 on each the Clerk & Treasurer. Seconded by Jim. Motion carried.

11. *Discuss road funding options*. Yearly outlay budget is \$110,000.00 and has not changed since 1996. Blacktopping 1 mile of road costs \$325,000.00. Discussion about how to raise the yearly outlay to \$300,000.00. Ross & Dewey will put together a guide for residents on how many miles of road, and number of bridges and culverts are in the township for use in future meetings.

12. *Road report:* Weight limit signs are off. Stumps are cut. Road tour done. Most important issues have been listed in order of importance on list of projects compiled by the Board.

13. *Chairman's report*: DOT sent a letter reminding us that this is a pavement rating year. Loberg Law Office offered to appear at a meeting to meet new Board members, if desired. Declined. Discussion about gravel prices. Check status of ordinances on town website. LaMoine Hanson has decided to retire from working the dump and will be replaced by Marvin Ramsden.

14. Motion to adjourn at 8:25pm by Phil, seconded by Jim. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Becky Manley, Clerk

### Town of Gilman Annual Meeting Minutes April 21, 2015

- The annual meeting of the Town of Gilman was called to order by Chairman Ross Christopherson at 7:05 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at the Gilman Town Hall. Printed copies of agenda, 2014 meeting minutes and 2014 financial report were available to all present.
- 2. Present at the meeting: Ross Christopherson, Jim Traynor, Phil Verges, Richelle Bartlett, Linda Price, Don Nellessen, Tom & Becky Manley, Dewey Anderson, Tony Huppert, and Andrea Wieland.
- 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- 4. Clerk Linda Price read aloud the annual meeting minutes of the April 15, 2014 meeting. Ross reminded all that the clerk will prepare the annual meeting minutes within 5 days, sign them and file in the office of the clerk (Wis. Stat s. 60.15)
- 5. The 2014 Financial Report was reviewed by all present. Richelle reported that there were no significant changes in revenue from 2013 to 2014. **Comments:** Ross commented that the solid waste figures are still showing a loss but hopefully that will look better this year with the changes adopted. Don inquired about cost to heat workshop. No figures were readily available. He thought it would be a good idea to insulate. Ross said they have talked about it and have a price on new windows and doors and it is on our list of future projects. Jim reported that the ambulance and fire costs should remain unchanged. Don motioned to accept the 2014 Financial Report as presented, Richelle seconded, and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 6. Phil motioned to set the next annual meeting for Tuesday, April 29, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 7. Road Report: Ross reported that 2014 was a short construction project year for Gilman due to expense carry-over from the previous year. Projects completed last year were as follows: 1. Two box culverts that were undermined with spring flooding (450<sup>th</sup> St. and 690<sup>th</sup> Ave.) 2. Hauled approximately 2000 yards of crushed rock on 5 separate sections (330<sup>th</sup> Ave, 450<sup>th</sup> St., 760<sup>th</sup> St., 330<sup>th</sup> St, 290<sup>th</sup> St.) Another 200 yards for miscellaneous repairs. 3. Cleaned ditches on 850<sup>th</sup> Ave. and 690<sup>th</sup> Ave to improve drainage. 4. Hauled 85 ton of hot mix for grader patches on existing blacktopped roads and used another 40 tons for hand patching of potholes. 5. We did dust control on gravel roads but was applied a little late due to contractor's schedule and weather issues. 6. Replaced all stop sign posts with wood posts (36). 2015 Road Projects: Ross reported that the Board met this month for a road inspection tour. Concerns and issues were noted and ranked. The Board categorized 8 projects under "Maintenance" and 4 projects as "Large" as follows:
  - Dust settler for gravel roads (\$3000)
  - ➢ Bridge marker signs (\$2000)
  - > Add crushed rock on sections of  $290^{\text{th}}$  St. and  $730^{\text{th}}$  Ave.
  - ▶ 3 spots on 290<sup>th</sup> St. are breaking up. Dig out, add sub-base and blacktop.
  - Haul 4 loads of blade patch on  $410^{\text{th}}$  Ave., in 3 spots.
  - ▶ Hand patching on 890<sup>th</sup>, remove a box culvert by Barry Anderson
  - $\triangleright$  850<sup>th</sup> Ave., hand patching on Turner mile and a few other areas.
  - > Price on removing stumps on 690<sup>th</sup> Ave. Getting more information.

- Blacktop on a portion of Stonehammer hill.
- Sealcoat 1 mile on 330<sup>th</sup> Street
- ✤ 490<sup>th</sup> Street needs reconstruction
- ✤ 750<sup>th</sup> Avenue needs reconstruction

Ross reported the maintenance projects will take priority and we could possibly tackle one large project. Richelle reported we have \$109,386 budgeted for outlay projects and \$50,000 for general highway maintenance. Ross thought by the June meeting we could have bids on some of these projects. Andrea inquired about bridge maintenance and Ross reported that a couple bridges qualify for the bridge replacement funding but the county is not taking any applications at this time. We will submit those structures when it is available for 80/20 funding (80 federal/10 county/10 township). Ross also mentioned that we will be exploring our options for creating more revenue to accomplish completion of the larger projects. The highway outlay has not changed since 1996 but costs have increased significantly since that time. The State has curtailed us from raising budget amounts by more than 3%.

- 8. Don made a motion to adopt Westconsin Credit Union as Gilman's designated bank; Richelle seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 9. **Meeting Notices:** Andrea made a motion to designate the Spring Valley Sun/Argus Newspaper and Valley Values Shopper for publishing public notices. Also we will continue to post notices at the Town Hall, Red Barn, Westconsin Credit Union and Team Oil. Richelle seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. The clerk will continue to mail postcards to Beldenville addresses.
- 10. **Dust Control:** We will be ordering dust control again this year (end of May) with a quoted cost of \$1/gallon.
- 11. **Other Township Concerns:** Andrea commented that the Town Hall roof looks like it needs to be replaced. It was thought that it is original from 1998. The Board will address this at a future time.
- 12. There being no further business, Don made a motion to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.; Tony seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Price, Clerk 4/22/15

# **Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes** Wednesday, April 8, 2015

- 1. The April meeting of the Gilman Town Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson.
- 2. *Present at meeting:* Chairman Ross Christopherson; Supervisors Phil Verges, Jim Traynor; Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Linda Price. Also attending: Don Nellessen, Dewey Anderson, Tony Huppert, Becky Manley, Andrea Wieland.
- 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present
- 4. *Discuss/take action-minutes of 3-11-15 meeting:* Jim made a motion to approve minutes as presented, Phil seconded, motion carried.
- 5. *Discuss/take action-payment of bills:* Phil motioned to approve bills as presented, Jim seconded, motion carried.
- 6. *Treasurer's Report:* Richelle reported a beginning balance of \$200,144.56; income-\$13,968.89; expenses-\$13,419.10; ending balance-\$200,694.35. She indicated that bridge aids of \$10,211.41 had been received, highway aids should be coming on Monday and the lottery credit should be coming in soon. There was no breakdown of the bridge aid amount but she would check on that and report back next month.
- 7. There were no public comments pertaining to non-agenda topics.
- 8. There were no operator's permit applications this month.
- 9. *Discuss/take action-All Croix Inspections Contract Renewal:* Ross reviewed the changes and made a recommendation to approve the contract renewal for 3 years. Jim made a motion to sign the new contract; Phil seconded; motion carried.
- 10. *Discuss/take action- Spring Dump Days:* The Dump Days Event will be held on Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup> and Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Linda will add a note to the notice that we will be eliminating the Fall Event this year.
- 11. Discuss/take action-Board of Review and Open Book: Open book is scheduled for Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. and Board of Review is scheduled for Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. All 3 board members and clerk are available to attend, with Richelle being a backup. Phil is the current certified member.
- 12. *Discuss/take action-Subdivision Ordinance Amendment:* Phil reviewed the changes per public hearing that was held on March 11, 2015. Phil made a motion to approve said amendment; Jim seconded; motion carried.
- 13. *Road Report:* Dewey reported weight limit signs had been posted, he has been grading roads and cutting stumps. Kraemer contacted him inquiring about work load and Dewey said we haven't done our drive around yet. The Board scheduled the annual road inspection for Tuesday April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 a.m. Linda will post it.
- 14. Chairman's Report: Ross reported that our Annual Meeting is coming up on Tuesday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. The annual meeting minutes which are signed by the clerk do not need to be approved at the next meeting. There is a Towns Association Meeting on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at Trimbelle Town Hall. There was a Wis. Utility Tax Association membership dues letter that was discussed and it was decided that this did not pertain to us. Ross received a letter from the Highway that the annual safety training refresher course on April 24<sup>th</sup> for patrolmen. He recommended Dewey to attend. Dewey will follow up with registration.

Phil had comments regarding the WTA meeting that he and Jim attended this past month: A representative from the Clerk's Association was present and he was wondering whether we belonged to it. Linda confirmed that she had been a member but did not renew it. It was recommended that Becky follow up with membership. They were given facts about the State Trust Fund (Commissioner of Public Lands) that does borrowing for road improvements, equipment, etc. for townships. Phil reported that earnings from the loans in 2014 was \$30.2 million and went to the common school library fund. Spring Valley Library received \$21,000. Phil reported that there were discussions on manure pipelines. There are no state ordinances regarding this. These manure pipelines which are used to transfer manure from farm to field use road culverts and ditches. He thought we should be aware of this issue.

- 15. *Install new Board Members:* Election was held on Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>. Serving a 2 year term will be Ross Christopherson, Chairman; Jim Traynor, Supervisor I; Phil Verges, Supervisor II; Richelle Bartlett, Treasurer; Becky Manley, Clerk. The new term officially commences after the Annual Meeting on April 21<sup>st</sup>. The official oath was recited by all new members and papers were signed and notarized.
- 16. Phil made a motion to adjourn at 8:05 p.m.; Jim seconded; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Price, Clerk

# **Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes** Wednesday, March 11, 2015

- 1. The March meeting of the Gilman Town Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ross Christopherson.
- 2. *Present at meeting:* Chairman Ross Christopherson; Supervisors Phil Verges, Jim Traynor; Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Linda Price. Also attending: Becky Manley, Don Nellessen, Dewey Anderson, Lorne Hanson, Tony Huppert, Andrea Wieland.
- 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- 4. *Discuss/take action-minutes of 2-11-15 meeting:* Phil made a motion to approve minutes as presented, Jim seconded, motion carried.
- 5. *Discuss/take action-payment of bills:* Linda made a correction on the WRS amount to \$546.61 and added a bill from Pierce Co. Hwy for \$3420.91. Phil motioned to approve bills with added corrections; Jim seconded, motion carried.
- 6. *Treasurer's Report:* Richelle reported a beginning balance of \$485,551.87; income-\$216,754.93; expenses-\$502,162.24; ending balance-\$200,144.56. She distributed a tax breakdown sheet to the Board and reported that levy payments had been made to the schools.
- 7. *Public comments pertaining to non-agenda topics:* Lorne Hanson had a question on the Farmland Preservation Program. The program has been discontinued but was wondering about Gilman being declared an agriculture only zone in error. No one had an answer for him.
- 8. *Discuss/take action-Operator's Permits:* Linda presented two server applications for Red Barn employees Debra Couch and Leah Frandsen. Jim motioned to approve both applications; Phil seconded; motion carried.
- 9. *Discuss/take action-SV Emergency Services Report:* Jim reported the tanker had been sold for \$13,988 and the new truck is in the process of being built. The DOT had determined that the tanker was no longer capable of being in service. A grant has been applied for to cover some of the expenses. The budgets for both the Fire Dept. and Ambulance are in the black and things are going well. Jim distributed reports to the Board.
- 10. *Discuss/take action-March District Meeting:* Jim and Phil are signed up for the district meeting for March 27<sup>th</sup>. Linda will send in the registration form.
- 11. *Discuss/take action-All Croix Contract Renewal:* Linda had forwarded the new revised contract to board members prior to meeting for review. There seems to be some confusion on item 5d and disagreement on 5h. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided to not sign the contract until these items were clarified. Regarding the penalty for starting a building project without a permit: It was suggested to charge a 20% penalty rather than double fees as stated. Phil made a motion to adopt this penalty change as stated, keep language in revised contract except for increased fees; Jim seconded and by oral vote, motion carried. Linda will contact Todd Dolan regarding this change and invite him to the April meeting if he needs to discuss further.
- 12. *Road Report:* Dewey reported he had 3 trees down on 410<sup>th</sup> by Joe Stangl to tend to; did brush cutting with Bob; Monday will be putting up weight limit signs up.

- 13. *Chairman's Report:* Ross got a call from a resident on 730<sup>th</sup> Ave regarding shooting noise. He investigated the complaint and determined that the "shooter" was operating within safe guidelines. He talked to the Pierce County Highway Dept. regarding the intersection of B-I-850<sup>th</sup> Ave. They reported there are no plans on the table to improve it. It is on their long range plan to address changes while working on County Road B which would be 5 years away. Ross reported that we have some interest in rerouting traffic from I-94 on Highway B to Highway 29 and call it business B. Chad is going to talk to traffic safety commission about this. Chad pulled the accident report from 2003-2013 and it indicates there were 10 reportable accidents on the intersection in question. This is considered low and did not raise any red flags.
- 14. *Audit and close books for 2014:* Jim, Phil and Ross did spot checking of financial records of clerk and treasurer and found no issues. Jim made a motion to approve financial records; Phil seconded, motion carried.
- 15. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Price, Clerk

# **Town of Gilman Public Hearing Minutes** Wednesday, March 11, 2015

The Public hearing was called to order by Chairman Ross Christopherson at 6:33 p.m. Present at said hearing was Ross Christopherson, Jim Traynor, Phil Verges, Richelle Bartlett, Linda Price and Don Nellessen. The purpose of this hearing was to discuss and take action on amending the Subdivision Ordinance to reflect changes in part as follows:

Article II, Section 1: Change the phrases "lots or building sites of 20 acres or less" to "lots or building sites of 15 acres or less".

Article III, Section 1: Change the phrase "lots, parcels or building sites which are 20 acres or less" to "lots, parcels or building sites which are 15 acres or less".

This change was recommended by the Gilman Planning Commission and would be consistent with Pierce County Land Management Department Subdivision of Land Ordinance. Phil will check to make sure our new language mirrors Pierce Counties' Ordinance. There was no opposition to said changes. This adoption of change will be added to the April agenda.

Hearing was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Price, Clerk

Phil

## **Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes** Wednesday, February 11, 2015

- 1. The February meeting of the Gilman Town Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Phil Verges. Jim Traynor made a motion to amend the agenda to include a road matter, Phil seconded, motion carried. Will discuss under item #12.
- 2. *Present at Meeting:* Supervisors Phil Verges, Jim Traynor; Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Linda Price. Also attending: Becky Manley, Mark Kotten, Dewey Anderson, Andrea Wieland, Todd Dolan. Ross Christopherson had an excused absence.
- 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- 4. *Discuss/take action-minutes of 1-14-15 meeting and 1-21-15 caucus:* Jim made a motion to approve minutes as presented, Phil seconded, motion carried.
- 5. *Discuss/take action-payment of bills:* Phil made a motion to approve list of bills to be paid, Jim seconded, motion carried.
- Treasurer's Report: Richelle reported a beginning balance of \$69,297.89; income-\$802,291.83; Expenses-\$386,037.85; ending balance-\$485,551.87. This report includes Jan. tax settlement. \$23,000 was transferred back to the Equipment Fund. So far have collected \$793 in dog licenses. She reported a total tax collection of \$987,074.09 but \$20,000 more is delinquent.
- 7. There were no public comments pertaining to non-agenda topics.
- 8. *Discuss/take action-Operator's Permits:* Linda presented two server applications for Team Oil employees Mercedes Johnson and Mandy Pfingsten. Phil made a motion to approve both applications; Jim seconded, motion carried.
- 9. *Discuss/take action-Planning Commission:* Phil reported that the committee has been reviewing some topics with no action needed. The public hearing for the subdivision ordinance revisions has been scheduled for March 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Keith Nichols has accepted the newly vacant position from John Lenarz. Phil acknowledged a Thank you to John Lenarz for his years of dedicated service on the Planning Commission. They are still waiting to hear back on a report regarding the intersection of 850<sup>th</sup>-I-B.
- 10. *Discuss/take action-District Meeting in March:* The District Meeting will be in the Eau Claire area on March 27<sup>th</sup>. Phil and Jim expressed an interest in attending. Registrations need to be received 10 days prior to meeting. Decided to wait until March meeting to confirm final attendees.
- 11. *Discuss/take action-All Croix Inspections Contract Renewal:* Todd Dolan was present to answer questions and concerns regarding the contract renewal. Todd highlighted the changes and mentioned that any reference to commercial needs to be eliminated (5-c and part of 5-h). Phil mentioned that the Board was comfortable with the current contract but just to update fees. Todd indicated to keep in mind that he is enforcing how our building code ordinance reads. He also explained that the renewal fees and penalty fees have been implemented to cover additional time involved and offer a deterrent to complete projects. Item #10 should be changed to reflect the Clerk's address not the town hall address. Item #7-Terms of Agreement will be changed to 3 years. Todd will follow up with a revised contract and mail to the clerk. The Board will take final action at the March meeting. Todd also recommended that Gilman review our building code ordinance and explained some suggested requirements involving ISO, road bonds and occupancy bonds.

- 12. Road Report: Dewey reported that he has been cutting trees; we are up to 30 loads of salt/sand delivered. Had a yearly salt/sand review from the state with no issues reported. Jim got a call from T.J. Potter that they are going to bring in a large transformer on 890<sup>th</sup> and BB. Will be loading on Friday and will arrive in our area Sunday to be delivered in the Eau Galle section of the road. No permit is needed as the roads are frozen. Jim will follow up with Mr. Potter on this matter.
- 13. Chairman's Report: Ross is absent from meeting so there was no report available.
- 14. Phil made motion to adjourn at 8:00 p.m.; Jim seconded, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Price, Clerk

# **Town of Gilman Caucus Minutes** Wednesday, January 21, 2015

- 1. Chairman Ross Christopherson called the caucus to order at 7:00 p.m.
- 2. Pledge of allegiance was recited by all present
- 3. Bill Emerson made a motion to nominate Tony Huppert as caucus chairman; Bob McMurrin seconded; motion carried by oral vote.
- 4. Tina Smeby made a motion to nominate Linda Price as caucus clerk; Andrea Wieland seconded; motion carried by oral vote.
- 5. Don Nellessen made a motion to take nominations by secret ballot. It was decided that the method for breaking a tie will be to conduct a revote. Tony appointed Richelle Bartlett and Andrea Wieland as caucus tellers.
- 6. **Nominations for Town Chairman**: Ross Christopherson; Phil Verges (declined). Jim Traynor made a motion to cast a unanimous ballot for Ross as candidate for Town Chairman; seconded by Ron Thompson; motion carried by oral vote.
- 7. **Nominations for Supervisor I**: Jim Traynor (16 votes); Don Nellessen (5 votes); Bob McMurrin (3 votes) . Ron Thompson made a motion to cast Jim and Don as candidates for Supervisor I; seconded by Trudy Huppert; motion carried by oral vote.
- 8. **Nomination for Supervisor II**: Bob McMurrin; Phil Verges; Bill Emerson (declined). Ross Christopherson made a motion to cast Bob and Phil as candidates for Supervisor II; seconded by Jim Traynor; motion carried by oral vote.
- 9. **Nomination for Treasurer**: Bill Emerson (declined); Richelle Bartlett. Bob McMurrin made a motion to cast a unanimous ballot for Richelle as candidate for Treasurer; seconded by Ron Thompson; motion carried by oral vote.
- 10. **Nomination for Clerk**: Becky Manley; Trudy Huppert (declined); Bill Emerson (declined). Ron Thompson made a motion to cast a unanimous ballot for Becky as candidate for Clerk; seconded by Tom Manley; motion carried by oral vote.
- 11. Ballot placement of candidates was decided by drawing which was conducted by Andrea Wieland.

For Supervisor I: Don Nellessen will be placed first; Jim Traynor will be placed second. For Supervisor II: Bob McMurrin will be placed first; Phil Verges will be placed second.

12. Isaac Nellessen made a motion to adjourn at 7:21 p.m.; seconded by Bob McMurrin; motion carried by oral vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Price Clerk

# Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, January 14, 2015

- 1. The January meeting of the Gilman Town Board was called to order at 7:00 pm. by Chairman Ross Christopherson
- 2. *Present at Meeting:* Chairman Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Jim Traynor, Phil Verges, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett, Clerk Linda Price. Also attending: Don Nelleson, Tom Jenkins, Becky & Tom Manley, Dewey Anderson, Andrea Wieland, Tony Huppert and Tom Rauch.
- 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- 4. Tom Jenkins from Rural Mutual was present to go over the renewal of Gilman's business and property insurance coverage. He answered questions from the Board and highlighted certain endorsements. Corrections were made on equipment listed in the policy. He reported a \$13 increase on the renewal.
- 5. *Discuss/take action minutes of 12-10-14 meeting:* Phil had wording changes on items 6 and 10. Jim made a motion to approve minutes with changes; Phil seconded and on oral vote motion carried.
- 6. *Discuss/take action on payment of bills:* Phil made a motion to approve payment of bills as presented; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 7. There were no public comments pertaining to non-agenda topics.
- 8. *Discuss/take action on All Croix Inspections Contract Renewal:* After discussion and comparison of new contract to old contract, it was decided to take no action at this time. We will invite Todd Dolan to attend the February Board meeting to answer questions and concerns.
- 9. *Treasurer's Report:* Richelle reported a beginning balance of \$96,095.91; income-\$7511.96; expenses-\$34,309.98; ending balance-\$69,297.89. She reported that \$6000 was transferred to the Bridge and Equipment funds at the end of the year. The Board made a recommendation to transfer \$23,000 back to the equipment fund at the end of January.
- 10. *Operator's Permits:* Linda presented one server application for a Team Oil employee (Ellen Brorson). Phil made a motion to approve the application; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried.
- 11. *Discuss/take action-Implements of Husbandry Ordinance:* Phil reported that the majority of townships are adopting option E or F and that Pierce County adopted option E. Ross recommends option F but would need to be prepared to issue permits as needed. After lengthy discussion, Jim made a motion to adopt option F; Phil seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. All questions regarding permits should be directed to Ross. Phil will check on whom and how to report the township's decision to.
- 12. *Discuss/take action-Amending Subdivision Ordinance:* Phil made a motion to amend the Subdivision Ordinance requirement for CSM's to 15 acres or less instead of the current 20 acres or less per recommendation of the Planning Commission; Jim seconded and on oral vote, motion carried. A public hearing will be scheduled prior to the March Board meeting at 6:30 p.m. on 3-11-15.
- 13. *Road Report:* Dewey reported that he has been cutting trees and plowing snow. 23 loads of salt/sand were delivered. He inquired about cost of blacktop material from Jim Harris. Ross will check on that.

- 14. *Chairman's Report:* Nothing to report. Jim asked about a follow up report on the B-850<sup>th</sup> –I intersection. Ross indicated he did not have anything as of yet.
- 15. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Price, Clerk

# Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes Dec. 14, 2016

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 by Chairman

2. **Roll call**: Present at meeting: Chair Christopherson, Supervisors Verges and Traynor, Treasurer Bartlett and Clerk Manley. Also attending: Tom Manley, Carlos Fernandez, Don Nellessen, Tony Huppert, Mickey Mattison, Andrea Wieland and Dewey Anderson

3. Pledge to the flag

4. **Minutes**: Motion by Jim,  $2^{nd}$  by Phil to approve minutes of 11/16/16 minutes; motion carried. Motion by Phil,  $2^{nd}$  by Jim to approve minutes of 11/30/16 meeting; motion carried

5. **Bills**: Motion by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve the payment of bills with the following change: rewrite the check to Pierce Co Highway Dept for \$3129.83 less, as that portion is for bridge damage that will be paid by the driver's insurance. Motion carried

6. **Operator's permits**: 1 permit for Team Oil, motion by Phil to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim; motion carried

7. **Public comments**: The Clerk brought to the Board's attention an email she has received multiple times from a teacher requesting contact information for the Patrolman and Board so engineering students could call and ask them for information pertaining to their positions. The Board declined to honor that request. No other public comments.

8. **Truck**: Carlos Fernandez from Allstate Peterbilt Group detailed the new truck Gilman is ordering and gave the Board financing options. The Board will seek other financing options. Motion to approve the order by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ross, motion carried.

9. **Treasurer's report**: Beginning balance: \$206,497.76, income: \$31,376.77, expenses: \$88,678.35, ending balance: \$149,196.18, including \$112,398.56 in savings and \$36,797.62 in liquid funds. The money on hand is more than we anticipated for end-of-year and will be carried over to 2017. After further discussion, Phil motioned to rescind the motion to change the bills to be paid in favor of the bills as originally presented. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried. The treasurer will bill the insurance company for reimbursement for the damage to the bridge on 850<sup>th</sup>

10. **Mutual Aid**: Agreement with area fire departments to help each other when needed without cost to the department requesting help. Motion by Jim,  $2^{nd}$  by Phil to approve and sign the Mutual Aid Agreement. Motion carried.

11. **Plan Commission**: nothing to report

12. Meeting adjourned into closed session at 8:08 by the Chair for the performance evaluation of the patrolman.

13. Motion by Phil to return to open session,  $2^{nd}$  by Jim; motion carried. The Board returns to open session to take action on closed session item. Motion by Phil to give the patrolman a favorable review and agree to Dewey using his personal truck for town use with mileage paid, and to recommend a 1.25% raise.  $2^{nd}$  by Jim, motion carried.

14. **Chair's report**: The date for our January caucus has been set for Wednesday January 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm for the purpose of nominating new board members. Agenda items for January meeting: Tom Jenkins from Rural Mutual Insurance, Plan Commission report, new Fire Chief to be sworn in, discuss truck financing options. Motion to adjourn by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm

Submitted, Becky Manley

# Town of Gilman Public Hearing Minutes November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 7:00 pm

1. Public Hearing: opened at 7:00 pm by Chair Christopherson

2. **Roll call**: Present at meeting: Chair Christopherson, Supervisors Verges & Traynor, Treasurer Bartlett & Clerk Manley. Also attending: Andrea Wieland, Kerry Christopherson, Tom Hentges, Tom Peterson, Dewey & Carol Anderson

3. Pledge to the flag

4. **Budget**: Treasurer Bartlett explains the details of the proposed 2017 Budget and the floor is opened for questions and discussion.

5. **Public Hearing**: closed at 7:30 by the Chair

Special Meeting of the Electors of the Town of Gilman

6. **Special Meeting** of the Electors called to order at 7:30

7. Salaries: Motion to approve salaries for elected officials by Andrea; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dewey, motion carried

8. **Budget**: Motion by Richelle to approve the Proposed 2017 Budget; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried

9. **Highway Expenditures**: Motion by Phil to approve the proposed 2017 highway expenditures;  $2^{nd}$  by Dewey, motion approved

10. **Adjourn**: Motion by Jim to adjourn the Special Meeting of Electors; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm

Special Town Board Meeting

11. **Special Meeting** called to order at 7:45 pm by the Chair

12. **Roll call**: Present: Chair Christopherson, Supervisors Traynor & Verges, Treasurer Bartlett and Clerk Manley.

13. Adopt: Motion by Jim to adopt the Proposed 2017 Budget; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried

14. **Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm

Submitted, Becky Manley

## Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Christopherson

2. **Roll Call**: Present at meeting: Chair Christopherson, Supervisors Verges & Traynor, Treasurer Bartlett & Clerk Manley. Also attending: Tom Manley, Kerry Christopherson, Mickey Mattison, Andrea Wieland, Tom Peterson, Dewey Anderson & Dave Debold

3. Pledge to the flag

4. **Minutes**: Motion by Phil to approve the minutes of 10-12-16 & 10-19-16 meetings with the following amendment: Change the phrase "Scott's cancelled" to "Scott's unable to do patching in Gilman this year" in the Road Report section of the 10-12-16 meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim. Motion carried

5. **Bills**: Motion by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to approve the payment of bills. Motion carried

6. **Permits**: 3 operator's permits -1 for Red Barn, 2 for Team Oil. Motion by Jim to approve,  $2^{nd}$  by Phil. Motion carried

7. Public comments: None

8. **Truck quotes**: The board compared quotes received from Peterbilt, International, Mack & Western Star and agreed that Peterbilt seems to be the favored recommendation so far to replace the existing 2005 Peterbilt the town has now. The Chair requested the appearance of the Peterbilt sales rep at the December meeting. Dewey will try to arrange this.

9. **Treasurer's report**: Beginning balance: 191,202.73 income: 27,566.42 expenses: 12,271.39 ending balance: 206,497.76 including 106,134.97 in "liquid funds" and 100,362.79 in savings. Shared Revenue balance of about \$30,759 to be deposited this month to carry us through to the end of the year and leaving a balance of approximately \$12,000 depending on snowfall in December

10. **Mailbox:** A resident of 290<sup>th</sup> Street called the clerk and chair a few times in the last couple of months to state that he believed the patrolman had hit his mailbox during ditch mowing, but did not see it happen and did not know when it happened. The Chair invited the resident to appear at the meeting, but he declined. The board heard Dewey state that he did not hit the box and that he noticed the box has been in ill-repair all summer. There is clearly long grass growing up to and around the box. The board denied his request for a new mailbox to be paid for by the township. Motion by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to deny the request. Motion carried

11. **Bridge Aid**: Repair on  $850^{\text{th}}$  Ave bridge qualifies for Bridge Aid. Gilman should be applying for reimbursement from the county for half the cost of repair. Motion by Phil to approve the petition to apply for County Bridge Aid,  $2^{\text{nd}}$  by Jim. Motion carried

12. **Emergency Services report**: Jim presented the minutes of the Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> meeting. The coverage cost to Gilman will be rising approximately \$3000 to \$56,320.80 to help cover the cost of the rent increase to the SV Fire Station, as the rent was increased by the Village of Spring Valley due to maintenance issues with the building. The new Fire Chief and Assistant Fire Chief are in place.

13. **Planning Commission report**: A resident had questions about breaking up his property and they anticipate a CSM to approve in the next few months. The PC is still looking for a replacement for Mary Anderson, outgoing Chair.

14. **Budget**: The board went through the proposed 2017 Budget line by line and answered questions posed by attendees.

15. **Road report:** The truck went in for yearly maintenance. Dewey has received complaints about low hanging tree limbs on 410<sup>th</sup> St. The school bus hits the limbs regularly. He spoke to the property owner who is fine with the town cutting limbs if it is cleaned up. Dewey suggested that Gilman call a tree service to get it done quickly and safely. He will get 2 estimates. Phil gave details about the cost of bonding for completing road projects, which was requested by residents at previous meetings

16. **Chair's report**: Ross received a call from a resident on Stonehammer Hill who complained about tires being dumped on her property. The property has a very steep drop off and the board has decided they will not send the patrolman to retrieve these tires in the interest of his safety. Ross will call the resident and let her know she must arrange for the removal. The county is available to do a project on a 770<sup>th</sup> ditch that has been on our project list for a while. Dewey will work with the phone company regarding the fiber optic lines buried in the ditch. It may not be possible to finish this project before winter. There is another possible project on 670<sup>th</sup> Ave. Agenda items for the December meeting: truck quotes, closed session for the patrolman's review, PC report, resolution for addendum for mutual aid. Motion to adjourn by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm

Submitted, Becky Manley

# Town of Gilman Special Meeting Minutes Public Hearing on Proposal to Increase Levy Limit Vote by Electors Wednesday, October 19, 2016

1. Hearing called to order by Chair Christopherson at 6:03 pm

2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

3. The Chair introduced the Board to the public. Also attending: 65 Gilman residents (list available for viewing at the Town Hall)

4. Chair and Clerk verify the hearing and meeting were properly noticed

5. The Treasurer explained how the tax levy would be affected by the proposal

6. Supervisor Verges presented details on how the additional monies will be spent on the roads of Gilman Township

7. The Chair invites the public to speak at 6:19 pm, with speakers given a 2 minute time limit to keep the hearing productive

8. The Chair declares the hearing closed at 7:11 pm

Special Meeting of the Town of Gilman Electors

1. Meeting called to order at 7:15 pm by Chair Christopherson

2. Chair and Clerk verify the meeting was properly noticed

3. Motion to vote using paper ballots by Curt Richert, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Ranis; motion carried

- 4. Vote
- 5. Chair appoints teller to tally the votes

6. The votes are as follows: YES: 40 NO: 30 The proposal is approved

7. Motion to approve the 2017 Town Tax Levy by Phil Verges, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Traynor; motion carried

8. Motion to adjourn by Jim Traynor  $2^{nd}$  by Phil Verges, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm

# Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes Public Informational Meeting October 12, 2016

1. Meeting called to order at 6:30 by Chair Christopherson

2. Roll call: Present at meeting; Chair Christopherson, Supervisors Verges & Traynor, Treasurer Bartlett and Clerk Manley. Also attending, 36 Gilman Residents (list for viewing at Town Hall)

3. Pledge to the flag

4. Public Information: Supervisor Verges read the Resolution to Propose Exceeding the Levy Limit and presented a list of projects needing attention in no particular order. These projects were bid on and the total estimated cost would be over \$1,000,000.00 The Treasurer explained to those present how the levy limit is calculated and how much Gilman keeps to use on roads. The public was invited to speak and/or ask questions

5. Bills: Motion by Jim to approve the list of bills with the deletion of wages paid to the Plan Commission, which will be carried over until the next monthly meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried

6. Minutes: Motion by Phil to approve the minutes of the 9/14/16 meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried

7. **Operator's permits**: 1 permit for Red Barn. Motion to approve by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried

8. Treasurer's report: Beginning balance: \$215,363.13 income: \$1.090.80 expenses: \$25,251.20 ending balance: \$191,202.73 There has been no response from the 3 residents who received a letter from the treasurer regarding non-licensed dogs

9. Public comments: Pierce County Economic Development Corporation Executive Director Paul Schwebach introduced himself and said he has heard from many townships that they are also having difficulty with their road budgets. He offered his help and left his business card with the board.

10. Road report: Scott's Construction cancelled plans in Gilman this year. This is the majority of the outlay budget money.

11. **Plan Commission**: Mary Anderson is stepping down as Chair, and leaving the Commission. Phil asked if any residents were interested in joining. A resident asked about the cost of and reason for the Commission. They are paid \$25 per meeting and were mandated by the state.

12. Budget: The Board went line by line through the approved 2016 budget and made approximate changes to the 2017 budget. Budget Hearing is set for Nov. 22nd

13. Chair's report: The Chair and Clerk received a letter from the Pierce County Libraries asking for support for their request for more funding from the State. Motion by Phil to support their request and sign a letter of support. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried. Ross contacted the county about purchasing patching mix which we were supposed to get from Scott's. We will purchase from them and do the work ourselves provided the weather holds out. The board decides to hold the public hearing & vote in the shop due to space issues. Agenda items for 11/16/16 meeting: County Bridge Aid Request; 850th Ave, Emergency Services report, Plan Commission report, truck options. Discuss/take action: 2017 budget. Motion to adjourn by Jim. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm

Submitted: Becky Manley, Clerk

## Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016

1. Meeting called to order by the Chair at 7:00 pm

2. **Roll call**: Present at the meeting: Chair Christopherson, Supervisors Verges & Traynor, Treasurer Bartlett and Clerk Manley. Also attending; Mickey Mattison, Dewey Anderson, Tom Peterson, Marie Cebulla & Andrea Wieland

3. Pledge to the flag

4. **Minutes**: Motion by Phil to approve the minutes of 8-14-16 meeting,  $2^{nd}$  by Jim, motion carried

5. **Bills**: Becky noted the list of bills was missing an entry for On Target Computers for 972 which needs to be added to the total. Motion by Jim to approve the bills with the addition,  $2^{nd}$  by Phil, motion carried

6. Levy Limit: Mickey asked why postcards were not sent out last year regarding the levy limit resolution. Ross explained that it was a Board decision. It was decided that postcards would be sent this year, as well as an informational meeting to be held before the next regular meeting. Motion by Jim to adopt the resolution to exceed the levy limit by 35%, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried

7. **Operator's permits**: Motion by Phil to approve the permits, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried

8. **Treasurer's report**: Beginning balance: \$192,011.81 income: \$114,671.89 expense: \$91,320.57 ending balance: \$215,363.13 including liquid funds of \$115,069.01 with the balance in savings. The last grader payment has been paid and we are waiting on the title. \$109,453.31 in tax settlements arrived this month. Richelle has received numerous calls/complaints about dogs which are not licensed. She will be sending letters to the owners

9. **Public comments:** Andrea recommended extra security with the new laptop because of the sensitive nature of some of the information. The clerk agreed to ask Scott from On Target for his thoughts. Marie stated she had not received her assessment in the mail yet. A resident called Jim to see if they could have a deer crossing sign on  $760^{\text{th}}$ . The board denied the request due to cost. Becky reported the estimate cost of a large sign with Dump information to be \$500

10. **Plan Commission report:** The Plan Commission has decided they will have regular meetings on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every month unless there is no business. Residents wishing to be placed on the agenda must notify them at least 20 days before the regular meeting

11. **Truck**: Nothing new to report

12. **Road report:** new lids are on the dumpsters, so they will be fitted with locks soon. Steve Traynor requested help with his ditch. His property is not in Gilman, but El Paso. Gilman has assisted him before, but will not again, due to cost.

13. **Chair's report:** Annual road certification was received and Ross will fill it out. Repair of the 850<sup>th</sup> bridge floor that is undermined will cost \$18,148.00. It qualifies for County Bridge Aid, reimbursement coming back to the township in March 2017. Mark Mattison's company will be doing the repairs. The car accident damage on the bridge on 850th Avenue, 1/2 west of "BB" will be repaired by the county and billed to the insurance company of the owner of the vehicle that did the damage. An 890<sup>th</sup> resident called to complain about her drive being washed out rain. This will be addressed after Ross speaks with the resident. The adjoining property is in Cady

Township. Agenda items for next meeting: Plan Commission report, Budget planning for 2017, County Bridge Aid requests

14. Motion to adjourn into closed session by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil. Motion carried; the board convenes into closed session

15. The board returns to open session. No action required
16. Motion to adjourn by Jim; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Submitted; Becky Manley, clerk

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by the Chair

2. **Roll call**: Present at meeting; Chair Christopherson, Supervisors Traynor & Verges, Treasurer Bartlett and Clerk Manley. Also attending: Dewey Anderson, Tom Peterson, Mickey Mattison, Andrea Wieland, Kelly Owen, Don Nellessen and Tony Huppert

3. Pledge to the flag

4. **Minutes**: Phil asked about the bill from Martell for the sprayer which was discussed last meeting. The check was voided because we did not partner with Martell to purchase a sprayer. Motion to approve the minutes of 7-13-16 by Jim,  $2^{nd}$  by Phil, motion carried

5. **Bills**: Motion by Jim to approve the bills, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried

6. **Operator's permits**: One application for Team Oil. Motion to approve by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried

7. **Treasurer's report**: Beginning balance: \$220,818.89, Income: \$33,299.45, Expenses: \$62,106.53, Ending balance: \$192,011.81, including \$91,752.57 in liquid funds, and \$100,259.24 in savings.

8. **Public comments**: no public comments

9. **Emergency Services**: Jim presented the board with a copy of the minutes of the last Emergency Services meeting.

10. **Board of Review & Open Book**: Kelly Owen from Owen Assessing spoke and let us know they were done in the township, and were ready to set dates. Open Book will be held on Sat. September 24<sup>th</sup> at the Town Hall from 8-10 am Board of Review will be held on Sat. Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Town Hall from 8-10 am

11. Levy limit: The Board discussed the possibility of asking the township to exceed the levy limit again this year. The town is nearly out of money for roads this year, and many projects remain. Mickey asked if there was another way for the town to get money for roads, like a wheel tax or user tax, but there is not. Tom asked if the Board could put together a list of projects that would be done with the extra funds. Unfortunately, the projects are rearranged regularly because of the weather. The Board wants to discuss this again at the next meeting

12. **Computer options**: The HP desktop currently being used by the clerk is approximately 5-6 years old, and it is starting to freeze up or shut down by itself. The clerk would like to purchase a laptop. The treasurer is also using an older laptop, but it is still working well. The clerk will reach out to local computer experts for advice, as the Board has approved the purchase.

13. **Road report**: All mowing is complete. Rural Insurance contacted Dewey about insuring the boom mower, which we use yearly but do not own. Bridge damage on 850<sup>th</sup> will be submitted to the driver's insurance company. Dewey received truck bids from Mack & Peterbilt. He is awaiting 2 more bids. Phil asked about how much is left in the road fund, and how many projects will need completion. Ross anticipates having a near-exact number next meeting.

14. **Chair's report**: Driveway permit issued for a resident who purchased 2 lots in Violet's View and is putting the drive on the property line of both lots, with an easement if it is ever sold. Dewey reported a driveway with culvert was put in on 770<sup>th</sup>. It is unknown who put it in. The

owner of Violet's View lots wants to pave the road and have the town take it over and maintain it. The Chair recommended he lessen the size of the cul-de-sac before coming to the Board for approval. The Wisconsin Towns Association is having a seminar in September, and both supervisors and the clerk and treasurer want to attend. Agenda items for next meeting: truck options, Planning Commission report and Levy Limit discussion. Motion by Jim to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Submitted: Becky Manley, Clerk

### Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes July 13, 2016

1. Meeting called to order by the Chair at 7:00pm

2. **Roll call**: Present at meeting; Chair Christopherson, Supervisors Verges & Traynor, Clerk Manley. Treasurer Bartlett was home with a new baby. Also attending: Don Nellessen, Tony Huppert, Mickey Mattison, Tom Peterson & Dewey Anderson

3. Pledge to the flag

4. **Minutes**: Jim Traynor pointed out 2 typos in the June minutes – an address was incorrect, and a project was referred to as ditch moving, instead of ditch mowing. At this time, Mr Huppert questioned the minutes from the 6/8/16 meeting regarding his garage addition. The situation escalated, and the Chair explained to Mr Huppert why the Planning Commission felt it necessary to review their protocol regarding last minute approvals. After discussion, the chair stated communication needs to be improved between the county departments that issue the permits and if there are any changes to plans the township reviewed there should be communication with the township board and planning commission. The chair said he will talk with the county zoning commissioner about this issue. Motion to approve the minutes with the 2 corrections by Jim,  $2^{nd}$  by Phil. Motion carried

5. **Bills**: Dewey alerted the board to the fact that we did not enter into a deal with Martell regarding the sprayer, therefore we should not send the check for 1/3 of the rental fee. He is going to contact Martell about the bill. 2 late additions to the list: Timm Oil and Brooke Excavating were added to the list. Motion to approve by Phil with 1 deletion and 2 additions, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim. Motion carried

6. **Operator's permits**: 1 permit for Team Oil. Motion to approve by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim. Motion carried

7. **Treasurer's report**: Beginning balance: \$232,356.97 Income: \$6740.23 Expenses: \$18,278.31 Ending balance: \$220,818.89 Liquid funds: \$120,593.56 Savings: \$100,225.33

8. **Public comments**: A resident relayed a story about Owen Assessing visiting a property and allegedly making an unprofessional remark. The assessors are about half way through the township and expect to be done by the end of the month. The clerk read an email from the assessor regarding progress in the township.

9. Truck options: No new information to report

10. **Road report**: Stump removal is complete on  $410^{\text{th}} \& 690^{\text{th}}$ . The boom mowing is complete. The condition of the road on  $410^{\text{th}}$  north of  $850^{\text{th}}$  is improving with better weather, and the board decided to wait another year to see what happens next spring, adding crushed rock when necessary. Dewey reported the price for patching material is \$65 per load which is down from last year.

11. Planning Commission report: Nothing to report

12. **Chair's report:** The fence dispute between neighbors on 330<sup>th</sup> & 850th has been settled. The TRIP project slated for 2017 has been approved. Gilman has renewed our contract with the Eau Claire Humane Society, so we can continue bringing them stray dogs with a \$35 fee. The Bridge Inspection Report was received by Ross. Of the 11 in our district, 2 qualify for federal bridge replacement funds. As of now, there is no money in that fund. Ross talked with a representative from Pierce Pepin electric who disputed that he needed a permit to work in Gilman. Ross left him an application and verified with the state that Gilman DOES have the right to issue a permit

and be aware of who is working in the township. A resident contacted Ross about moving a driveway on 2 lots he purchased in Violet's View. The board will continue looking at options for locking the dumpsters as people are still using the dumpsters during non-attendant hours and not paying for their garbage. We received a letter from the county regarding our septic tank being pumped and inquiring about who we have a contract with. Dewey will contact our pumper and set an appointment and ask about this letter. The Chair asked if the meeting in August should be moved back one week due to the election being held the day before the regularly scheduled meeting. The clerk gratefully accepted the offer, and the meeting was rescheduled for Aug. 17<sup>th</sup>. Agenda items for next meeting: Emergency Services report, Board of Review and Open Book dates, Levy Limit options. Motion to adjourn by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Submitted: Becky Manley, Clerk

# Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Christopherson at 7:00 pm

2. **Roll call**: Present at meeting: Chair Christopherson, Supervisors Verges and Traynor, Treasurer Bartlett and Clerk Manley. Also attending: Mickey Mattison, Tom Peterson, Andrea Wieland and Dewey Anderson

3. **Pledge** to the flag

4. **Minutes**: Motion to approve minutes of 5/11/16 meeting by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried

5. **Bills**: Motion to approve bills as presented by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried

6. **Operator's Permits** and License Renewals: Motion by Phil to approve permits for Team Oil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried. Motion by Phil to approve permits for Red Barn by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried. Motion by Jim to approve license renewals for Team Oil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried. Motion by Phil to approve license renewals for Red Barn Discount Liquor & Convenience Store, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried. Motion by Phil to approve license renewals for Red Barn Discount Liquor & Convenience Store, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried. Motion by Phil to approve license renewals for Red Barn Bar & Grill, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried. All licenses were renewed through June 30, 2017

7. **Treasurer's report**:Beginning balance \$243,091.23 Income:\$1858.03 Expenses: \$12,592.29 Ending balance \$232,356.97 There is one resident who has not paid for the dog license yet so he will receive a citation. The Board discussed 2 rental units with up to 10 dogs that are not licensed and paid for. The Treasurer will send letters to those residences letting them know they have 30 days to pay. Big Dump Days was almost break-even, coming up a little more than \$100 short. The dump could pay for itself it ALL users pay for the privilege.

8. **Public comments**: Andrea recognized the Traynor Family who planted a tree outside the Town Hall in memory of longtime Chair Lorne Hanson. Residents are complaining about people who dump illegally at night, or when no one is present without paying. The Board will investigate dumpster locks and new signage as well as security cameras. The Board discussed the Huppert garage addition, which was not rearranged as the Planning Commission thought and approved, but torn down and is being rebuilt new. The commission will no longer meet last minute at resident request.

9. **Fence dispute**: Adjoining properties on 850<sup>th</sup> & 330<sup>th</sup> are disputing the state of the shared fence because cows keep entering the property through breaks in the fence. Ross received a call from Pierce Co Sheriff's Dept about cattle in the road at 3:00 in the morning. Richard Aamodt retrieved the cows, even though they are not his responsibility, and contacted the owner who agreed to pay for Richard's work and expense and said he would pick up the cows in 2 days. The owner never showed up.

10. **Patrol Truck**: Item tabled until next meeting

11. **Emergency Services**: The ES board discussed its lease options as the current lease runs out at the end of the year.

12. **Road report**: A note was received by Dick Brooks regarding dirt removed after a ditch cleaning project which was completed because the ditch had filled in from field run-off. The dirt was moved to the town hall for projects around the township. Mr Brooks claims it is his topsoil and he wants it back. Ross will call him and tell him if he pays for the cost of the project and restores the ditch he can have the dirt back. A cattle pass will be removed on 890<sup>th</sup> between BB & 330<sup>th</sup>. The sealcoating on 890<sup>th</sup> will not be completed this year as we have roads that need attention and money more urgently. Ditch mowing will begin in a couple of weeks, and Ross will

speak with the drain tiler about placement under roads when the tiler visits Don Nellessen's farm.

13. **Chair's report**: The Clerk will contact Owen Assessing to verify when they will begin property visits in the township. Agenda items for 7-13-16 meeting: truck replacement options. Motion to adjourn by Phil,  $2^{nd}$  by Jim, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

# Town of Gilman Board of Review May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016

- Board of Review called to order at 7:00pm by Chair Christopherson
- Roll Call: Present at meeting: Chair Christopherson, Supervisors Verges & Traynor, Treasurer Bartlett and Clerk Manley. Also attending: Tom Manley, Mary Anderson, Tony Huppert, Tom Peterson, Dewey Anderson, Mickey Mattison, Andrea Wieland, and Leanna & John Larson
- Motion to adjourn BOR to a later date due to the assessment roll being incomplete at this time by Jim Traynor, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil Verges. Motion carried. Tentative date: Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016
- Board of Review adjourned at 7:02pm

# Town of Gilman Monthly Meeting Minutes May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016

1. Meeting called to order at 7:04 by the Chair

2. Pledge to the flag

3. Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes of April 13<sup>th</sup> 2016 by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried 4. Bills: The clerk brings to attention a late arriving bill from Pierce County for \$1514.11 It is added to the month's list. There is also a credit with Monroe Truck Equipment which can be refunded or left as credit. Dewey will contact them to decide. Motion to approve the bills with the additional Pierce County bill by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried

5. Operator's permits: 1 permit; motion to approve by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried

6. Treasurer's report: Beginning balance: 229,698.13 Income: 33,890.68 Expenses: 20,497.58 Ending balance: 243,091.23 Highway Aids (2<sup>nd</sup> quarter) from the state are in, as well as our Lottery credit. Richelle presented the late dog license list. 4 people are on the list, and it is decided that the board members will visit these homeowners to check on the dogs. The dump workers reported many positive comments about Big Dump Days, and residents wanting it to continue at least one time per year.

7. Public comments: Jim received a call about a fence dispute concerning cattle crossing the property line. The board will contact the resident and set a date to visit the property.

8. Huppert garage addition: The Planning Commission discussed the issue and decided it was a net positive to approve the application because it makes the property access safer than it is currently. Motion to approve by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve with the conditions recommended by the Planning Commission: the garage door is moved, the garage is for personal use only, the existing garage door is removed and closed in. It is understood this was done quickly to assist an older resident and not the usual method with which to have a permit approved

9. 876<sup>th</sup> Ave: The board presented a letter from the Highway Commissioner detailing the results of the testing done on the currently privately owned road. The residents would like to have the township take over the road, but must bring it up to current standards for that to happen. The commissioner recommends the township not consider taking responsibility for the road at present and made a list of current conditions that need repair and a page of specifications for town roads.

The residents will get estimates for the cost of bringing it up to code vs making it passable for now.

10. Emergency Services: Jim presented a copy of the last meeting's minutes. The price for a fire call has been raised and the Village of Spring Valley, which owns the property, stated that the building currently occupied by the Fire & Ambulance station needs repairs. The Emergency Services board will decide at their next meeting how to proceed with the cost.

11. Road report: Initial patching is done on most roads. Ditch work is proceeding on 290<sup>th</sup>. Weight limit signs are off the roads. Dust control set to begin on May 16<sup>th</sup>. The projects discussed at the annual meeting are proceeding smoothly so far.

12. Chair's report: No new business to report. Agenda items for June meeting: Patrol truck replacement options, Emergency Services report, outcome of the fence dispute. Liquor license renewals.

13. Motion to adjourn by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm

Submitted: Becky Manley

## Town of Gilman Annual Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday April 19th, 2016

1. Annual meeting called to order by Chair Christopherson at 7:00 pm. Also present at the meeting: Supervisors Verges and Traynor, Treasurer Bartlett and Clerk Manley. Also present: Don Nellessen, Tom Manley, Andrea & Michael Wieland, Tony Huppert, Mary Anderson, Tom Peterson and Dewey Anderson.

2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. Clerk Becky Manley read the minutes of the 2015, copies of which were available.

4. The 2015 Financial report was reviewed. Copies were available to all present. No questions were asked by the public and Jim made a motion to approve the report with the correction of a 30 cent mistake in one column which the Clerk will amend. Motion seconded by Don and on an oral vote the motion carried.

5. The 2017 Annual meeting to review the 2016 year was scheduled for Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup> 2017. Motion by Jim to approve the date, seconded by Richelle and on an oral vote, motion carried.

6. The 2015 Road Report was reviewed, with a list of completed projects being available to all present, and mailed to all residents in the annual newsletter. There are 21 projects being considered for completion in 2016, the list of which can be viewed at the Town Hall. Tony suggested the township try laying drain tile under a particularly difficult stretch of road to see if it works. The Board will take this idea into consideration.

7. Motion made by Don to continue using *West* consin Credit Union as the official depository. Seconded by Richelle, the motion carries on an oral vote.

8. The laws have changed regarding posting meetings and notices. In addition, towns are no longer required to have a designated official newspaper. Most notices are required to be posted on the web page and in 1 public spot. At this time, we will continue publishing notices in the Sun-Argus as a courtesy and as required by law. They will also be on the Gilman website and posted at Team Oil and the Town Hall. Motion by Andrea to no longer designate an official paper. Seconded by Richelle. On an oral vote, motion carried.

9. Public comments: Andrea inquired how long it had been since the Chair and Supervisors had gotten a pay increase. Supervisor Traynor told her it's been 6 years. Motion by Andrea for increase their pay by 2% in the 2017 budget meeting. Seconded by Tom P. Motion carried.

It has been established that Big Dump Days will happen on Friday May 6<sup>th</sup> and Saturday May 7<sup>th</sup> this year. There was a discussion regarding whether or not to continue this event yearly as the County will also accept waste. The Board will decide at a later date if the Big Dump will continue. The Chair would like to do away with garbage altogether as it is a financial loss and people are dumping garbage at night and not paying. The possibility of locks on the dumpsters was addressed. Motion by Andrea to approve Big Dump Days for this spring, seconded by Phil. Motion carried on an oral vote, with one opposed vote. The town hall roof was addressed, as it will need replacing. Latest estimate: \$3600.00. To be addressed at the next Budget Meeting.

10. Motion by Tom P. to adjourn, seconded by Jim. Motion carried. The Annual Meeting was adjourned at 8:19 pm by Chair Christopherson.

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Chair Christopherson

2. Roll call: Present at the meeting; Chair Christopherson, Supervisors Traynor and Verges, Treasurer Bartlett and Clerk Manley. Also present; Terry Shafer, Valerie Anderson, Mickey Mattison, Dewey Anderson, Andrea Wieland, Leanna & John Larson, and Ken Gillette

3. Pledge to the flag

4. Minutes: Motion by Jim to approve the minutes of the 3/9/16 meeting.  $2^{nd}$  by Phil, motion carried

5. Bills: Motion by Phil to approve the bills. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried

6. Operator's permits: 2 permits, motion to approve by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried

7. Treasurer's report: Beginning balance: \$236,554.13, Income: \$7,519.64, Expenses: \$14,375.64, Ending balance: \$229,698.13 including \$100,122.75 in savings and \$129,575.38 in liquid funds. Income includes Bridge Aids and plowing, with a few outstanding bills to be paid.

8. Public comments: Mickey inquired about the dumpsters at the town hall, which are to be used by paying customers. Mickey said he saw someone unloading a truck into the dumpster at night. PIG will be contacted about locks for the dumpsters. Leanna asked about an issue which was not on the agenda. Motion by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to add a topic to the agenda: Discuss/take action; 876<sup>th</sup> Ave proposal.

9. Fire Chief: Spring Valley Fire Chief of 30 years, Terry Shafer recited his pledge before those present. Motion by Jim to approve the swearing-in of Chief Shafer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil; motion carried.

10. Planning Commission: Overdale Kennels is expanding due to overwhelming demand and owner Val Anderson applied for a Conditional Use Permit. The PC approved the application and recommended the Board do the same. Motion by Jim to approve the CUP, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil; motion carried. Mary Anderson was elected as the new Chair of the PC.

10A. 876<sup>th</sup> Ave: The privately owned road, which pays for plowing, wishes to join the township. This issue was addressed in September 2013 and the town agreed to consider the option on condition that the road is inspected and brought up to minimum standards. The clerk finds no further mention of action on this topic in successive minutes. As of tonight, the board agreed to pay for the inspection of the quality of the road base and will contact the homeowners with the results. Gilman will take ownership of the private road only if the residents bring it up to current standards at their cost.

11. Road report: The road tour produced a list of 21 areas needing attention. Each item was detailed by Ross and given a rating. Dust settlor was discussed and the board stated we have received ours late every year, and would like to be provided for earlier this year.

12. Tractor options: Dewey is still talking with dealers about our options.

13. Chair's report: Ross received a letter from the county stating that Gilman will receive rightof-way spraying for brush control and is expecting a list of items that need attention. Big Dump Days will be happening May 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> this year, and the Chair believes we should stop hosting the event as the county offers the same services. This will be discussed again at a future meeting. Agenda items for May: 876<sup>th</sup> Ave, Emergency Services, Late dog license list, Board of Review. 14. Motion by Phil to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim; meeting adjourns at 8:53 pm.

# Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Weds. March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Chair Christopherson

2. Roll call: Present at meeting; Chair Christopherson, Supervisors Verges and Traynor, Treasurer Bartlett & Clerk Manley. Also attending; Andrea Wieland, Mickey Mattison, Dewey Anderson and Tom Peterson

3. Pledge to the flag

4. Discuss/take action: minutes of 2/10/16 meeting. Motion to approve by Phil,  $2^{nd}$  by Jim, motion carried

5. Discuss/take action: payment of bills. Motion by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve bills with addition of Timm Oil bill, and subtraction of Monroe bill, as it is a credit notice, not an invoice. Motion carried

6. Discuss/take action: operator's permits. 1 permit for Team Oil. Motion by Jim to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried

7. Treasurer's report: beginning balance: \$565,856.70 income: \$192,808.98 expenses: \$522,111.55 ending balance: \$236,554.13 of which \$136,466.82 is liquid funds and \$100,087.31 is in savings. All tax settlements are paid.

8. Public comments, non-agenda: residents are asking about the used battery collection box which used to be in the town hall. The clerk will find an appropriate receptacle to replace the miss collection box.

9. Discuss/take action: tractor options. Still nothing to report. Topic tabled until next meeting

10. Discuss/take action: WTA upcoming meetings. Phil and Jim are attending the WI Towns Associations meeting on March 19<sup>th</sup>. The fee must be sent with the application, which will be sent on March 10<sup>th</sup>.

11. Emergency Services Report: Ambulance calls year-to-date are down from last year. The fire department's old ladder truck is still for sale. Jim presented a list of vehicles owned by the SV emergency Services

12. Road report: Dewey has gotten some calls about poor road conditions as the ground thaws. The weight limit signs are up until further notice. Ross reported that he contacted Marvin Olson in Bloomington MN regarding his request that the township act on his driveway repair request. The Board will inspect his property more closely in the spring, after things have dried up.

13. Chair's report: 11 bridges in the township are to be inspected this year. 2 properties will be harvesting timber. Agenda items for next meeting: Planning Commission report and annual road tour to be scheduled. Board of Review to be scheduled. Annual meeting to be held on April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

14. Audit and close the books for 2015: 10 random invoices and 10 deposits were verified by the board and no inconsistencies were found. Books closed.

15. Motion to adjourn by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm

# Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Weds. Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman Christopherson

2. Roll call: present at meeting; Chair Christopherson, Supervisors Verges and Traynor, Treasurer Bartlett and Clerk Manley. Also attending the meeting; Dewey Anderson, Mickey Mattison, Tom Manley & Tom Peterson

3. Pledge to the flag

4. Discuss/take action; approval of minutes,1/13/16 meeting. Motion by Phil to approve minutes,  $2^{nd}$  by Jim. Motion carried to approve minutes of 1/13/16 meeting with amendment concerning an answer to a question asked of the Board at January meeting. The town has looked into using Pierce County to plow snow, and it was prohibitively expensive. \*\*\*

5. Discuss/take action; payment of bills; Motion by Phil to approve bills, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried with the amendment of removal of the SV Fire Association payment, which was paid last month.

6. Discuss/take action; operator's permits. Motion by Jim to approve 1 permit,  $2^{nd}$  by Phil, motion carried.

7. Treasurer's report; Beginning balance: \$99,363.60, income: \$871,752.62, expenses: \$405,259.51, ending balance: \$565,856.70. \$26,649.70 in Highway Aids was deposited; \$70,108.23 is our portion of taxes collected in December. Settlement checks sent to schools.

8. Public comments, non-agenda; The Jim Traynor family wishes to purchase a tree or greenery to be planted at the town hall in honor of the late Chair Lorne Hanson. The board approves of the idea with the addition of a plaque honoring Lorne's decades of service to the town.

9. Discuss/take action; approval of Rural Mutual Insurance Policy. Motion by Jim to approve payment of the bill of \$4537.00 before next meeting, as it is due Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried. The Clerk will contact Tom Jenkins about correcting the year of the grader listed in the policy. It should be a 2011 model, not 2001.

10. Discuss/take action; tractor options. Dewey met with Value Implement to get quotes and is still waiting to hear from Tractor Central. Topic tabled until March meeting.

11. Planning Commission report: Tom Manley is nominated to serve on the Planning Commission. Motion by Ross to approve,  $2^{nd}$  by Phil, motion carried.

12. Wisconsin Towns Association district meeting: meeting to take place in Eau Claire in March. Topics include Board of Review training and transportation management. Verges and Traynor would like to attend.

13. Road report; Dewey received 5 calls from residents who complained about road conditions during the blizzard of 2/2/16. 18 loads of salt/sand this year, compared to 30 last year at this time. A resident of  $490^{\text{th}}$  called to complain about her mailbox being knocked down twice, and she believed the snowplow was at fault. The Chair went to the residence to look at the mailbox and did not think the damage was plow-related. She was invited to present her case to the board. She did not attend the meeting.

14. Chair's report; agenda topics for next meeting: tractor options, WTA meeting, Emergency Services and yearly bookkeeping audit. The Chair will call Marvin Olson regarding his request that the town put a culvert in his driveway or remove farm driveways.

15. Motion by Jim to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried. Adjourn at 7:50pm

\*\*\*AMENDED: previous minutes stated it had not been looked into before.

Town of Gilman Board Meeting Minutes Weds. January 13, 2016

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Chair Ross Christopherson

2. Roll call: Present at the meeting; Chair Christopherson, Supervisor Verges, Supervisor Traynor arrived late, Treasurer Bartlett and Clerk Manley. Also in attendance; Tom Manley, Tom Jenkins, Mickey Mattison, Tom Peterson, Andrea Wieland and Dewey Anderson

3. Pledge to the flag

4. Discuss/take action: minutes of 12/09/16 meeting – motion by Phil to approve,  $2^{nd}$  by Ross, motion carried

5. Discuss/take action: payment of bills – motion by Phil to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ross, motion carried

6. Discuss/ take action: operator's permits – motion by Phil to approve,  $2^{nd}$  by Ross, motion carried

7. Treasurer's report: Beginning balance \$122,757.94, income \$1427.51, expenses \$24,822.55, ending balance \$99,363.30

8. Public comments, non-agenda: the clerk brought to the attention of the board the new laws regarding posting of meetings. The new law states meetings may be posted on the town website and in one public spot. The Board agreed on new options which are as follows: meetings and notices will be posted at the Town Hall and Team Oil and published in the Sun-Argus and Valley Values shopper. They will also be posted on our web page. Mickey asked if the town has ever looked into having the county plow township roads. The town has not.

9. Tom Jenkins from Rural Mutual Insurance explained the policy awaiting approval for the next year. Discrepancies were found, and Tom will make the needed changes and resubmit the declaration for approval at the February meeting

10. Tractor options: Frontier and Value Implement are both putting together options for us.

11. Emergency Services report: SV has its new ladder truck, but the old truck sale to Hammond fell through. The truck will be for sale to the public

12. Planning Commission report: The Board recognizes Tom Rauch and thanks him for his many years of service. They are still looking for a new member and hope to swear someone in next month.

13. Road report: 14 loads of salt/sand this year, compared to 26 last year. 850<sup>th</sup> and 410<sup>th</sup>; stop sign run over. Dewey is looking into having the garage door replaced in the shop

14. Chair's report: Ross received a bill for the CDL drug testing which will be added to February bills. A letter from the sheriff's department regarding snowmobile trails. It did not pertain to the township. We are awaiting a contract from the Army Corp regarding plowing. Agenda items for the 2/10/16 meeting: Rural Mutual Insurance policy approval, tractor options, planning commission and the WTA district meeting.

15. Motion to adjourn by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Submitted, Becky Manley

# Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes December 13, 2017

- 1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Verges
- Roll call: Present at meeting: Chair Verges, Supervisor's Traynor & Sorenson, Treasurer Bartlett & Clerk Manley. Also attending: Jerry Nelson, Tom Peterson, Andrea Wieland & Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag
- Minutes: Motion by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve minutes of 11/8/17 minutes, motion carried. Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to approve minutes of 11/21/17 Public Budget Hearing meeting, motion carried
- 5. **Bills**: Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to approve the list of bills. Motion carried
- 6. Treasurer's report: Beginning balance \$251,285.19 Income \$31,121.15 Expenses \$22,089.85 Ending balance \$260,316.49 including \$175,492.25 in liquid funds and \$84,824.24 in savings. Tax bills will be mailed out this week. There was an increase of approximately 6-7% this year.
- 7. Operator's permits: none presented
- 8. Public comments: no comments
- 9. **Property Assessor**: The contract with Owen Assessing is up at the end of December and the board will be accepting bids for 2018 and future years. A resident commented that he would favor a new assessor for the coming years.
- 10. **Road report**: 8 loads of salt/sand so far this season. A new price list was sent for 2018. The PACER road report has been submitted to the DOT. Dewey is working with Brad from the Army Corp regarding plowing the dam road owned by them. They would like a multi-year contract but the board has no interest in submitting a bid and committing to a price which can vary with gas prices. Gilman will continue as is for this year, and will see what the Army Corp decides next fall
- 11. Chair's report: The board and clerk signed the bridge petition which will be sent to the county. Phil has sent in the forms for the TRIP fund reimbursement on the Stonehammer project and he anticipates we will see the funds early next year. Agenda items for January: Assessor's contract, Rural Mutual rep Tom Jenkins to detail policy. Motion by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to adjourn, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:50

Becky Manley, Clerk

#### Town of Gilman

#### Public Hearing Minutes

#### November 21, 2017 7:00 pm

- 1. Public Hearing: opened at 7:00 pm by Chair Phil Verges
- 2. Roll call: Present at meeting: Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor & Sorenson, Treasurer Bartlett and Clerk Manley. Also attending: Andrea Wieland and Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag
- 4. Budget: The floor is opened for questions or comments; there are none
- 5. Public Hearing: closed at 7:10 by the Chair

## SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ELECTORS OF THE TOWN OF GILMAN

- 6. Special Meeting: declared open at 7:10 by the Chair
- Motion to approve salaries for elected officials with no changes by Andrea, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dewey; motion approved
- 8. Motion to approve 2018 Budget by Richelle, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis; motion approved
- 9. Motion to approve 2018 Highway Expenditures by Andrea, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis; motion approved
- 10. Motion by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to adjourn the Special Meeting of the Electors; motion approved; meeting adjourned at 7:14 pm

## SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING

- 11. Special Meeting called to order at 7:15 pm by the Chair
- 12. Roll call: Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor & Sorenson, Treasurer Bartlett & Clerk Manley
- 13. Motion by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to adopt the proposed 2018 Budget; motion approved
- 14. Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to adjourn; motion carried. Adjourned at 7:16

Becky Manley, Clerk

# Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017

- 1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Jim Traynor
- 2. **Roll call:** Present at meeting: Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor and Sorenson, Treasurer Bartlett & Clerk Manley. Also attending: Andrea Wieland, Dewey Anderson, Ross Christopherson, Mike Johnson, Kyle Deiss, Brent & Shelby Haglund, Jacob Hoon, Tom Peterson, Tony Huppert, Jason Anderson and Dustin DeGross
- 3. **Pledge** to the flag
- 4. **Minutes:** Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to approve minutes of 10/11/17 meeting, motion carried
- 5. \*\*postponed until Chair present\*\*
- 6. Treasurer's report: Beginning balance: \$283,606.80 Income: \$25,900.14 Expense: \$58,221.75 Ending balance: \$251,285.19 including \$178,492.19 in available funds and \$72,793.00 in savings. Final payment of Highways Aids is in and we will be receiving the last payment of Shared Revenue in December. We are still awaiting the final bills from the TRIP fund project which will use most of the remaining funds. We will receive reimbursement from the State in January
- \*5. Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to approve the bills, motion carried

7. **Public comments:** A resident hosted a shooting party in September and that resident appeared to discuss their position. The Board members received calls about the noise and possible shrapnel. There was a discussion about safety and the board suggested the resident use more caution and be more respectful in the future. There is a sheriff's report about the incident.

- 8. **Operator's permits:** 2 applications for Team Oil. Motion by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve. Motion approved
- 9. **Emergency Services:** Jim relayed information about the last ES Board meeting. SV will be purchasing a new ambulance. No loan is necessary as they have been saving for it. The Fire Dept budget remains the same as this year.
- 10. **Budget:** It looks like we will be ending the year with about \$18,000.00 Phil will complete the form requesting reimbursement for the TRIP project on Stonehammer Hill.
- 11. **Roads:** Richelle received a letter from the Army Corps requesting a contract regarding the snowplowing Gilman does every year up on the dam. Because of the volatile nature of fuel prices, the township will not commit to a price, however, we will continue plowing for them at the rate to be determined at the Budget Hearing. Dewey detailed the ongoing road maintenance projects. Phil shared the form for the Bridge Petition which will require a motion by the board so we can be reimbursed by half the cost. Motion by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve the bid by Pierce County. Motion carried. The clerk will send the petition to the county
- 12. **Chair's report:** Phil discussed ongoing animal-at-large issues including the fence dispute between Team Oil and Terry Williams. Cattle are repeatedly getting through the fence and the parties would like the board to view the fence and decide who needs to make the repairs
- 13. Motion to close the meeting for the purpose of performance valuation for the patrolman by Jim,
- 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis; motion carried. Meeting closed at 8:15

14. Motion to return from closed session by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis, motion carried, meeting returns to open session. The Patrolman received a favorable review. Motion by Dennis to approve a 1 1/2% raise and a 40 hour vacation time carry-over for 2018, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried.
15. Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to adjourn; motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:40

### Town of Gilman Monthly Meeting Minutes October 11, 2017

1.Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Phil Verges

2. **Roll call:** Present at meeting: Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor and Sorenson, Treasurer Bartlett & Clark Manley. Also attending: Tom Manley, Tony Huppert, Tom Peterson, Andrea Wieland, Dewey Anderson, Ross Christopherson and Eric Turner

3. Pledge to the flag

4. **Minutes:** Motion by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve minutes of 9-13-17 minutes; motion approved

5. Bills: Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to approve the bills as presented; motion approved

6. **Treasurer's report**: Beginning balance: \$373,681.04 Income: \$898.42 Expenses: \$90,972.66 Ending balance: \$283,606.80 including \$72,766.01 in savings and \$210,840.79 in liquid funds.

7. **Operator's permits:** 1 for Team Oil. Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to approve permit; motion approved 8. **Fireworks:** Dennis presented his findings regarding fireworks permitting obtained from the Legal Counsel at WI Towns Association. Legal Counsel advised an ordinance stating the town's decision, whichever direction, but Jim spoke with a different attorney at the WTA meeting in Eau Claire last month who offered the opposite opinion and told Jim the answer would almost always be different depending on whom he asked. Fireworks law is a gray area. It was suggested that we let the residents decide. Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to table the issue until it can be voted on at the Annual Meeting; motion approved

9. **Public comments:** Phil shared information regarding a company called Ranger Power that is actively seeking land to lease for a new solar farm in Gilman Township

10. **Spraying:** Tom Manley spoke to the board about his concerns regarding the ditch spraying project which was ongoing during late summer. Tom sited many articles and court cases regarding the safety of Crossbow and other herbicides commonly used in Gilman. The Board is open to further discussion

11. **Road report**: The Violet's View blacktopping is proceeding. Pulverizing on Stonehammer is complete and the project is moving forward with Monarch Paving giving the following bid: Hot mix asphalt will cost \$43.60 per ton and Gilman will purchase 1,100 tons. Motion by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve the bid; motion carried.

12. **Chair's report:** Phil and other members of the Gilman staff and the Sheriff's Department received many calls regarding a shooting party which occurred during the weekend of September 30<sup>th</sup>. The party was using Tannerite, which is an explosive target that requires rifle usage to cause an explosion. Many residents were alarmed by the loud noise and some experienced objects falling off the walls. One resident's car was allegedly hit by shrapnel from the explosion. Meeting attendees questioned the legality of this product. It is legal at this time. Gilman may revisit this issue at a later time. Agenda items for the November meeting: Patrolman's review (closed session)

13. **Budget:** The Board went line by line through the year to date budget and assigned numbers to next years projected budget which will be finalized at the November meetings

14. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis; motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 9:31 pm

# Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes Sept. 13, 2017

- 1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Verges
- 2. **Roll call:** Present at meeting: Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor & Sorenson, Treasurer Bartlett & Clerk Manley. Also attending: James Bateman, Dewey Anderson, Tom Peterson, Ross Christopherson & Andrea Wieland
- 3. Pledge to the flag
- 4. **Minutes:** Motion by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve minutes of 9/13/17; motion carried
- 5. **Bills**: Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to approve bills as presented; motion carried.
- Treasurer's report: Beginning balance: \$238,682.61 Income: \$148,246.40 Expenses: \$13,247.97 Ending balance: \$373,681.04 including \$72,741.04 in savings and \$300,940.00 in liquid funds. The August tax settlement was \$147,507.56, and Gilman currently has no outstanding invoices.
- 7. **Operator's permits**: 1 for Team Oil. Motion by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve. Motion carried.
- 8. Public comments: Jim wanted to note the great job of sealcoating on 770<sup>th</sup>
- 9. Emergency Services report: Jim alerted the Board regarding the need for volunteers to be on-call for the ambulance during the weekday hours of 6:00 am 3:30 pm. This can cause very long wait times for those calling an ambulance, as we would need to rely on a nearby larger town. Any interested parties, please contact the SV Ambulance Department. This is a paid position when there is a call.
- 10. WTA: Jim, Phil & Becky will attend the WI Towns Assoc. yearly update meeting in Eau Claire.
- 11. **Dog contract:** Phil shared the contract that Gilman can enter into with the Dunn County Humane Society which is far more convenient and less restrictive than the deal we have with Eau Claire. Motion by Jim to approve the contract, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis, motion approved.
- 12. **Fireworks:** Dennis has done extensive research regarding the issuance of fireworks permits. This is a very gray area, and it seems that if there is no permitting process, the township would essentially be prohibiting fireworks, however, Gilman has no way to enforce any rules. Phil will investigate further at the WTA meeting.
- 13. **Road report:** Dewey has completed the last round of ditch mowing. The Stonehammer project will begin shortly and continue into October. Dewey expects the trees which went down during the tornado to be cleaned up this month. There was also discussion regarding the private road in Violet's View. Phil was asked by John Waggoner if the Town would take care of snow removal this winter if the second lift of blacktop wasn't finished. The Board agreed as long as we would not be liable for any blowouts if they occurred. The Board has agreed to take over the road once the paving is complete and finished to previously agreed specifications.
- 14. Chair's report: The PACER report will be completed by Dewey & Phil in the coming month. This is a yearly road certification report which details the condition of our roads. Agenda items for October: Budget planning, fireworks, and ditch spraying. Motion by Dennis to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:18 pm.

# Town of Gilman Monthly Meeting Minutes August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017

- 1. Meeting called at order at 7:00 by Chair Phil Verges
- 2. **Roll call:** Present at meeting: Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor and Sorenson, Treasurer Bartlett & Clerk Manley. Also attending: Jim Bateman, Tom Peterson, Andrea Wieland, Dewey Anderson and Ross Christopherson
- 3. Pledge to the flag
- 4. **Minutes:** Motion by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve minutes of 7/12/17 minutes: motion approved
- 5. **Bills:** Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to approve the bills as presented: motion carried
- 6. Treasurer's report: Beginning balance: \$137,559.63 income: \$118,087.54 expenses: \$16,964.56 ending balance: \$238,682.61 including \$72,715.23 in savings and \$165,967.38 in liquid funds. Highway Aids are in as well as the 1<sup>st</sup> payment of Shared Revenue. The loan from the State Trust Fund was deposited into the checking account to reimburse the town for the check we wrote for the new truck
- 7. Public comments: none
- 8. **Operator's permits**: 1 for Team Oil; motion by Jim to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis, motion approved
- 9. **Fireworks:** Dennis has started researching fireworks permits, which is a topic brought for discussion by a Gilman resident wishing to receive one. Dennis found 3 towns that issue permits, 1 town that specifically does *not* issue them, and most towns never having addressed the issue. Jim Bateman offered to share a copy of other permits he has seen, and will email said copy to the clerk. Dennis will continue researching the topic.
- 10. **Emergency Services report**: SV Ambulance is going to be purchasing a new ambulance, having been saving for it for some time.
- 11. **Road report:** Dewey shared the latest update on the Stonehammer Hill project, which qualified for TRIP money from the state. He also got a price for a new sign on the town hall, approximately \$120.00, and an estimate for the work on 770<sup>th</sup> Ave between 330<sup>th</sup> and BB. Dewey said the grader needs new blades before winter, and the tractor had a flat which has been repaired. Regarding the Stonehammer project; Gilman will hire Pierce Co Highway Dept. to: apply 2.5" of base, pave 4990' x22'x2.5" compacted and pave 2 flumes.

Motion by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve the 690<sup>th</sup> Ave (Stonehammer) project; motion approved

Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to approve the purchase of the asphalt from Scott Construction for 770<sup>th</sup> Ave; motion approved

Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to approve the chip sealing project on 330<sup>th</sup> St & 890<sup>th</sup> Ave by Scotts; motion approved.

Phil received a bridge report suggesting signage and weight limits. We are waiting for invoices from Kraemer for gravel used so far, and Richelle is keeping track of how much money is left in our outlay fund.

12. **Chair's report:** Phil inquired about using Dunn County Humane Society as our contracted "local" drop off spot for stray dogs found in Gilman. It is more convenient than continuing to use Eau Claire. Phil also learned of a fence down which allowed cows to enter the neighbors field. This is a civil matter, the town has no obligation to resolve these issues, but may determine who is responsible for fixing the fence. Agenda items for September: WTA workshops, dog contract and fireworks continuation. Motion by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to adjourn; motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:31 pm.

# Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017

- 1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Verges
- Roll call: Present at meeting: Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor and Sorenson, Treasurer Bartlett and Clerk Manley. Also attending: Valerie Kunkel, James Bateman, Andrea Wieland, Ross Christopherson, Tom Peterson and Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag
- Minutes: Motion by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve minutes of 7/12/17 meeting with the following correction: #7 Previously said "motion by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim" Should read "motion by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis" Motion approved
- 5. Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to approve bills as presented. Motion carried
- 6. Operator's permits: Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to approve one permit for Team Oil, motion carried
- 7. Treasurer's report: Beginning balance: \$306,243.16, income: \$9,875.37, expenses: \$178,558.90, ending balance: \$137,559.63 including \$72,689.42 in savings and \$64,870.21 in liquid funds. The new truck was paid for along with the extended warranty. The loan from the Board of Public Lands Trust will be deposited to pay back the check we wrote for the truck. It will be paid back over 5 years.
- 8. Public comments: Jim Bateman inquired about the issuance of fireworks permits, which is not an item the Board have ever issued before. Mr. Bateman was sent letters previously stating that the Board have no interest in issuing such a permit. Bateman stated such a permit is a requirement for him to shoot off or buy fireworks. The Board will do some research and tabled the discussion until the August meeting.

Valerie Kunkel inquired about the lack of sirens in the township, and was unhappy that she didn't hear one before the tornado earlier this month. It is typical for outlying areas not to have emergency sirens due to the high cost, approximately \$24,000.00 per siren. Ms. Kunkel was advised to get a weather radio which will sound an alarm when there is dangerous weather approaching.

- 9. PC report: Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to approve amendments to the wording in the Comprehensive Plan which were recommended by the county. Motion carried.
- 10. Road report: Violet's View is going to blacktop the road through the subdivision. Dust control is nearly done. Our TRIP project on Stonehammer Hill will begin soon. The Board is weighing options for maintenance on 770<sup>th</sup>, the town hall road.
- 11. Chair's report: Phil issued 2 drive improvement permits. The EC Humane Society needs updated information regarding who can get information regarding stray dogs surrendered by the township. Phil is going to see if there is a closer Humane Society we can deal with. Agenda items for August: PC report, ES report, further discussion regarding fireworks permits. Motion to adjourn by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

### Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017

1. Meeting called or order at 7:00 pm by Chair Phil Verges

2. **Roll Call**: Present at meeting: Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor & Sorenson & Clerk Manley. Treasurer Bartlett was a little late. Also attending: Dewey Anderson, Tom Manley and Tom Peterson

3. Pledge to the flag

4. **Minutes**: Motion to approve minutes of the 5/10/17 meeting by Jim,  $2^{nd}$  by Dennis, motion carried

5. Bills: item postponed until the Treasurer is present

6. Treasurer's report: item postponed until the Treasurer is present

7. Liquor License & Operator's License renewals:

Motion to approve 23 operator's licenses for Team Oil by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim; motion carried Motion to approve 9 operator's licenses for Red Barn by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis; motion carried Motion to approve liquor license renewal for Team Oil by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim; motion carried Motion to approve liquor license renewals for Red Barn Bar & Grill and Red Barn Liquor & Convenience Store by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim; motion carried

8. Public comments; non-agenda: none

9. **Plan Commission report**: PC Chair Tom Manley met with Andy Pichotta from Pierce County to ask questions regarding the viability of the Plan Commission. Andy stressed the importance of maintaining some town-level control and relaying the wishes of the township to the county level. Andy recommended some amendments be made to specific wording of the township's plan to make the rules clearer. Tom recommended to the Board that they discuss and take action on the amendments at the next meeting.

\*5. **Bills**: Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to approve the bills to be paid with the addition of a check for \$122.85 for Richelle Bartlett for clerk assistance with the financial reports. Motion carried

\*6. **Treasurer's report**: Beginning balance: \$317,881.07 income: \$3653.88 expense: \$15,291.79 ending balance: \$306,243.16 including \$72,663.32 in savings and \$233,579.84 in liquid funds. Richelle detailed the list of late-paying dog license residents. They will be assessed late fees.

10. **Road report**: The new truck has been delivered. Stump grinding is complete. Dewey has been mowing ditches and dust control is planned for June 20<sup>th</sup>. Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to approve payment for an extended warranty for the new truck. A 5-year warranty will cost \$2750. Motion carried

11. **Chair's report**: Phil met with the owner of Violet's View regarding paving the main road through the subdivision. The board will meet with him to discuss options and a quorum notice will be posted by the clerk. Agenda items for July: discuss/take action on the PC Comprehensive Plan amendments.

12. **Adjourn:** Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to adjourn; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm

Submitted: Becky Manley, Clerk

### Town of Gilman Monthly Board Minutes May 10, 2017

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 by Chair Phil Verges

2. **Roll call:** Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor & Sorenson, Treasurer Bartlett, Clerk Manley. Also attending: Dewey Anderson, Tony Huppert, Tom Peterson, Andrea Wieland and Tom Manley.

3. Pledge to flag

4. **Motion to amend** the agenda to add discuss/take action: truck financing by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried, item added

5. **Amend budget**: Motion to approve 2017 Budget amendment to reflect the 2% increase in Board salaries approved at the Annual Meeting by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried

6. **Minutes:** Motion to approve the minutes of the 4/12/17 meeting by Jim,  $2^{nd}$  by Dennis, motion carried

7. **Bills:** A bill from Pierce-Pepin for a damaged pole will be tabled until Phil speaks with them about billing our insurance company. Motion by Jim to approve the bills with the deletion of the Pierce-Pepin bill,  $2^{nd}$  by Dennis, motion carried

8. **Treasurer's report:** Beginning balance: \$293,933.13 income: \$38,502.50 expenses: \$14,554.56 ending balance: \$317,881.07. Liquid: \$205,251.99, Savings:\$112,629.08. 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter highway aids and county lottery credit are included: \$25,050.72 and \$9,077.44 respectively. There are a few dog licenses outstanding and Richelle will begin assessing late fees. The board will contact the owners of 2 problem dogs in the township. She also received a request for a fireworks permit. Gilman does not issue them, and has no interest in doing so. Richelle will send a letter to the resident stating this

### 9. Public comments: none

# 10. Operator's permits: none

11. **Dump fees:** The garbage dump is losing money and according to the state, Gilman can raise fees to cover the cost. Motion by Jim to increase the per bag fee to \$4.00 beginning June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis, motion carried

12. **Roof bids:** The Board gathered 5 bids for both shingles and metal roofing. Motion by Dennis to approve the bid by Larson Roofing for shingles costing \$3850.00; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion approved

13. **ES report:** SV Emergency Services held their meeting on Apr. 19<sup>th</sup>. Jim had handouts of the minutes. United bought the old ladder truck, and gave SV one of their old trucks for which ES received \$3500.

### 14. **PC report:** nothing to report

15. **Truck loan:** Dennis read aloud the preamble and resolution to finance the truck loan from the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands State Trust Fund Loan Program. The township will use \$40,000.00 from the equipment fund and borrow \$86,403.00 at 3% for a term of 5 years. Motion to adopt the foregoing preamble and resolution by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to approve the resolution. Chairman Verges voted aye, Supervisor Traynor: aye and Supervisor Sorenson: aye. Motion carried.

The Town of Gilman Board, County of Pierce, approves and authorizes an application to the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands, State of Wisconsin, for a loan of *Eighty Six* 

**Thousand Four Hundred Three and 00/100** dollars from the Trust Funds of the State of Wisconsin for the purpose of financing the purchase of a patrol truck. At the same time and place, the Board of the Town of Gilman by a majority of votes of the members, adopted a resolution levying upon all taxable property in the Town, a direct annual tax sufficient in amount to pay the annual installments of principal and interest, as they fall due, in accordance with Article XL. Sec. 3 of the Constitution and Sec. 24.66(5) WI Statutes.

16. **Road report:** The new truck is ready sooner than expected. Dewey will work with the manufacturer to arrange a delivery date after we have the loan proceeds. Dewey has been grading the gravel roads in anticipation of dust control application for the year. The Spring Big Dump Days was poorly utilized this year. Gilman lost significant money, and this annual event will be reevaluated, and brought up at the Annual Meeting to get the township's feelings on discontinuing the event.

17. **Chair's report:** Phil explained the findings of the annual Road Tour, with items in order of necessity. The TRIP money project will begin this summer on Stonehammer Hill (690<sup>th</sup> Ave) Phil also drafted and shared the Gilman Road Maintenance Policy, which has been requested by residents. Agenda items for June: PC report

18. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis, motion approved; meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm

# Town of Gilman Annual Meeting Minutes Tuesday, April 18, 2017

- Meeting called to order by Chair Ross Christopherson at 7:00 pm. Present at meeting: Chair Christopherson, Supervisors Traynor, Verges and Sorenson, Treasurer Bartlett and Clerk Manley. Also attending: Tony Huppert, Don Nellessen, Andrea and Michael Wieland, Tom Manley, Lynn Traynor, Tom Peterson and Dewey Anderson.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- 3. Minutes of the 2016 Annual Meeting, copies of which were available, are read aloud by Clerk Becky Manley, and the public was invited to ask questions. Tony Huppert asked about the use of drain tile and stated that it is being used elsewhere to help with flooding. The Board may consider using it in the future. Ross explained that a 2% raise for the board that was approved at the previous Annual Meeting. This raises the Chair's pay by \$77 per year, and the Supervisor's by \$59 per year. The Board did not take this into consideration when creating the 2017 Budget and was unsure if the raises could be applied. The Board will contact the legal team at WI Towns Association to verify if the raises can be applied this year.
- 4. The 2016 Financial Report, copies available, was reviewed and the attendees were invited to decide how they want the report presented. The attendees favor detailing the report line by line. Don Nellessen asked about the garbage service losing money, and the Board will consider raising the price of a bag of garbage so we can cover our costs. Tom Peterson questions the payment method for the town's new truck which will be delivered this summer. We are using \$40,000 from the Equipment Fund and borrowing \$86,403 from the Bureau of Public Lands Trust at a rate of 3% for 5 years, one payment per year. Motion by Don, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve the 2016 Financial Report, motion carried.
- 5. The 2018 Annual Meeting to review 2017 will be held on Tuesday April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Motion to approve the date by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Richelle, motion carried.
- 6. The 2017 Road Report was detailed in the newsletter sent out with tax bills this year, and Ross invited questions. The Annual Road Tour will occur next Thursday, April 20<sup>th</sup> and will be shared at the May monthly meeting. Tony has spoken with the county about widening and blacktopping the shoulders on Co Rd CC near the high school due to student pedestrian traffic and washouts during rainstorms. Motion by Tony to oblige the Board to contact the county in support of the improvement project. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Don, motion approved. Phil will contact Highway Department with the recommendation.
- Motion by Don, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Richelle to continue using Westconsin Credit Union as the official depository. Motion carried.
- 8. Andrea asked if the meeting notices are still being published in the Sun Argus and Valley Values, as she hasn't seen it in the Valley Values for some time. The Clerk will contact the newspaper editor to see if this has changed. The law no longer requires notices to be published in a paper as long as it is in 2 public spots, and on the website. Gilman will continue to publish in the Sun Argus & Valley Values as a courtesy.
- 9. Other town business is discussed. Don questions the necessity of Gilman continuing to keep a Plan Commission when there is a County Plan Commission. At this time, the Board will retain an

independent Plan Commission. The Board and attendees discuss the continuation of offering the Big Dump Days traditionally held twice a year. Gilman is losing money on wages for this service. Motion by Andrea, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lynn to continue with Spring Big Dump Days with a price increase and better advertising for the event. Motion carried. Tom Peterson asked about the PACER report which is completed by the Board and Patrolman in the fall. He also suggested they create a road project "wish list" as a guide and form a policy in deciding what projects are addressed first. Tom asked about the cost of improvements to the town shop which will help control heating costs as well. The Board has looked into it but decided to put that cost off until a future time. Andrea thanks Ross for his years of service as the Chair. Motion by Tony, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Richelle to adjourn, motion carried. The Annual Meeting was adjourned at 8:43 pm by Chairman Ross Christopherson.

Submitted: Becky Manley, Clerk

**Approved** 

### Town of Gilman Monthly Meeting Minutes April 12, 2017

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Christopherson

2. **Roll call**: Chair Christopherson, Supervisors Traynor, Verges and incoming Supervisor Sorenson, Treasurer Bartlett and Clerk Manley. Also attending: Tom Manley, Dewey Anderson and Tom Peterson

3. Pledge to the flag

4. **Minutes:** Motion by Jim to approve minutes of 3/15/17 meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried

5. **Bills**: Motion by Phil to approve the bills as presented with the deletion of the CNA Surety bill,  $2^{nd}$  by Jim, motion carried

6. **Treasurer's report**: Beginning balance: \$310,934.59 Expenses: \$32,693.02 Income: \$15,691.56 Ending balance: \$293,933.13 including \$112,577.90 in savings and \$181,355.23 in liquid funds. The insurance check for the bridge damage on 850<sup>th</sup> arrived, and this is now complete. Pierce County Bridge Aids is also in. Most of the dog license fees are in, with a few residents to receive a last reminder before late fees are assessed.

7. **Permits**: 2 operator's permits for Team Oil. Motion by Phil to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried

### 8. Public comments: none

9. **Truck financing**: The Board wants to finance 86,403.00 @ 3% for 5 years on the new truck. This will spread the cost out to new residents moving into Gilman over the next 5 years. Motion to approve the financing plan by Phil,  $2^{nd}$  by Jim, motion carried. Phil will submit the loan application.

10. Violet's View: Ross received information from the state that the road running through the subdivision was named as a township road on the original plat map. The most recent Board has assumed this was a private road, as well as the residents of the subdivision and the landowner. The Board must decide if Gilman will take ownership of the road, or begin the process of abandoning it. Gilman has received no state dollars for this road. Topic tabled until we have more information.

11. **Roof:** The Board will begin taking bids for replacing the roof on the town hall

12. **PC report**: nothing to report

13. **Road report:** Dust control will remain at the same price this year. Salt/sand is put away in storage for the year. Tree cutting is done. Stump grinding is set for \$2377.00. The annual Road Tour will take place Thursday Apr. 20<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am with results to be discussed at the May meeting.

14. **Chair's report:** Ross has received 2 dog complaints and spoke with the owners. The TRIP project on Stonehammer Hill will proceed this summer. Agenda items for May: roof bids, ES report, PC report.

15. **New Board Members:** The Clerk gave out a copy of the Oath of Office to the board and all recited the oath. Phil Verges will take over as Chair, and Dennis Sorenson will be the new Supervisor II. All members signed the Oath. Phil thanked outgoing Chair Ross for his years of service, and Ross thanked the board.

16. Motion to adjourn by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:36 by Chair Christopherson

### Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes March 15, 2017

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 by the Chair

2. **Roll call**: Chair Christopherson, Supervisor Traynor, Treasurer Bartlett & Clerk Manley. Supervisor Verges was out of town. Also attending: Tom Manley, Jerrod Faber, Tom Peterson, Dewey Anderson and Andrea Wieland.

3. Pledge to the flag. At this point, it is decided that the Audit of the Books will be moved to #15 at the end of the meeting

4. **Minutes**: Motion by Jim to approve minutes of 2/8/17 meeting,  $2^{nd}$  by Ross, motion carried

5. **Bills**: Clerk Manley states there is a late-arriving bill which is not on the list – Corey's Custom Vinyl for \$75 is added to the list. CNA Surety for \$100 is tabled until we have further information. Motion by Jim to approve the bills as presented with the addition of Corey's and the subtraction of CNA.  $2^{nd}$  by Ross, motion carried

6. **Treasurer's report**: Beginning balance: \$699,393.49 Income: \$128,274.85 Expenses: \$516,733.75 Ending balance: \$310,934.59 including \$112,531.47 in savings and \$198,403.12 in liquid funds. Tax settlements with the schools and county are done. Dog license fees are due April 1<sup>st</sup> and Richelle is sending out reminders.

7. **Public comments**: none. Jim let us know there will be a park bench placed by the SV trout pond in memory of late Fire Chief Terry Shafer

8. **Operator's permits**: 2 for Team Oil, 2 for Red Barn. Motion by Jim to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ross; motion approved

9. **Plan Commission**: The previously approved project by Jerrod Faber is being re-worded to avoid possible confusion in the future. PC Chair Tom Manley conferred with Andy Pichotta from the county to decide on preferred language.

10. **Open Book and BOR**: Dates have been set. Open Book will be Friday May 5<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 pm at the town hall. Board of Review will be held Saturday May 20<sup>th</sup> from 8-10 am, at the town hall.

11. **Truck financing**: Tabled until Phil is in attendance

12. **850<sup>th</sup> Bridge** insurance claim: Motion by Jim to approve signing the Property Damage Waiver requested by the insurance company regarding the car accident damage on 850<sup>th</sup> Ave. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ross, motion approved

13. **Road report**: Weight limit signs are up. Production on our new truck has begun. Stump grinding is needed on 410<sup>th</sup> street after the tree cutting. Dewey will contact a company about doing this.

14. **Chair's report**: Information meetings offered for the Plan Commission. Ross received a letter stating there are 4 timber cutting projects happening now. Dewey confirmed 3 are complete. Ross would like to cancel Big Dump Days in May due to cost. Jim suggested we discuss this at the Annual Meeting, which will be held April 18<sup>th</sup>. Agenda items for April meeting: truck financing. The Board will send flowers to former treasurer Mary Anderson whose husband Barry passed away.

15. **Audit**: The Board chose paid invoices randomly from the 2017 file and compared the check numbers and amounts paid to the 2 separate books kept by the Treasurer and Clerk. 15 out of 15 spot-checks matched. This officially closes the books for 2017.

16. Motion to adjourn by Ross, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried; meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm.

### Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes February 8, 2017

1. Meeting called to order by Acting Chair Phil Verges at 7:00 pm

2. **Roll call:** Acting Chair and Supervisor Verges, Supervisor Traynor, Treasurer Bartlett & Clerk Manley. Also attending: Tony Huppert, Don Nellessen, Tom Manley, Dewey Anderson, Andrea Wieland, Mike Fitzjarrell, Mary Anderson & Jerrod Faber

3. **Pledge** to the flag

4. **Minutes:** Don asked about the fine from the state and Phil explained that it was a late fee applied due to a late submission. Tony suggested we contact our state representatives about it and said he would also bring it up when he met with them later in the month. Phil will contact our representatives. Motion by Jim to approve minutes of 1/11/17 minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried.

5. **Bills:** Motion to approve the bills by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil with the following changes: Sprint bill is \$67.71, and Marvin's pay is \$121.91 (both were incorrect as presented) Motion carried.

6. **Treasurer's report**: Beginning balance: \$115,379.35; Income: \$1,024,020.95; Expenses: \$440,006.81; Ending balance: \$699,393.49 The County has yet to be paid their portion so Richelle did not specify how much is liquid funds.

7. **Emergency Services** report: New Fire Chief Mike Fitzjarrell recited the Oath of Office for all attendees and was welcomed by the Board. Tod Jorgenson is Assistant Chief.

8. **Plan Commission:** Jerrod Faber asked the Commission for permission to split off a parcel of his property with existing house for sale and to build a new home on the remaining parcel. The Board met for a rezoning discussion and approved his request. Motion to approve the decision by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried. Mary Anderson is retiring from the Plan Commission, Josh Turner is joining, and Tom Manley was appointed as Chair

# 9. Public comments: none

10. **Internet** options: Richelle spoke with the phone company about adding internet to the Town Hall. Hook-up is \$125 and the monthly bill will rise to approximately \$110 from about \$45, including the router rental. Motion to approve the installation by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil. Motion carried. Richelle will contact SV Telephone and let them know we want wi-fi

11. **WTA** meeting: Jim and Phil will both attend the WI Towns Association meeting in Eau Claire on March 25<sup>th</sup>.

12. Bridge repair document: Discussion tabled until next meeting when the Chair will be present

13. **Road report:** 32 loads of salt/sand so far this year. 3 days of tree cutting occurred. 4 logging projects ongoing. A stop sign was destroyed on 650<sup>th</sup> and 410<sup>th</sup>. No one has come forward to accept responsibility.

14. **Chair's report:** Agenda items for March; Open Book and Board of Review to be set, Plan Commission report, Truck financing, and March meeting to be moved to the 15<sup>th</sup> so Ross can be present. Motion to adjourn by Jim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, meeting adjourned at 8:21 pm

### Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes January 11, 2017

1. Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm by the Chair

2. **Roll call**: Present at meeting: Chair Ross Christopherson, Supervisors Phil Verges & Jim Traynor, Treasurer Richelle Bartlett & Clerk Becky Manley. Also attending: Luann & Bill Emerson, Tom Jenkins, Dewey Anderson and Andrea Wieland

3. Pledge to the flag

4. **Minutes**: Motion by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to approve minutes of 12-14-16 meeting with the following changes: Dewey's recommended raise is 1.25%, not 1.50%, and motion to approve the truck order was seconded by Ross, not Jim. Motion carried

5. **Bills**: Motion to approve bills as presented by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim, motion carried

6. Public comments: none

7. **Treasurer's report**: Beginning balance: \$149,196.18, Income: \$1,110.24, Expenses: \$34,927.07, Year ending balance: \$115,379.35 including \$112,444.85 in savings and \$2,934.50 in available funds. We still have not received the final total for bridge repair on 850<sup>th</sup> due to a car accident. Ross will follow up. Richelle has received a complaint about a barking dog on Co Rd BB. Complainant was told by the Sheriff's Department that there is nothing they can do about a barking dog in the country. There is no noise ordinance regarding barking in Gilman so no action will be taken. The town hall microwave is broken, so Richelle is going to get a new one. She also brought up the fact that the town hall could use internet access. The fiber optic is already in place, so we would need hooking up. Richelle will get detailed cost information from the phone company. Transportation Aids will be adjusted by \$6,395.93 due to a reporting error late fee.

8. **Rural Mutual** Insurance: rep Tom Jenkins presented the items covered by our policy and detailed the \$114 inflation increase this year.

9. **Fire Chief**: Item to be rescheduled

10. Plan Commission report: no new business, but still looking for another member

11. **Truck financing**: The town is going to finance approximately \$90,000.00 of the new truck which should be delivered next summer. Phil presented information about the state trust fund which lends money to towns at low interest rates. The application is due 45 days before the money is needed, so the board will address this again in May.

12. **Road report**: 17 loads of salt/sand so far, and Dewey has had many residents call for driveway sanding

13. **Chair's report**: 3 residents are having timber cut so they will watch to make sure no one is hauling logs during spring break-up when the roads are soft. Ross received a stray dog report. The dog in question is a repeat stray. Ross was on his way to Eau Claire with the animal when he got a message about the owner. Ross met her at Team Oil and let her know that her dog must be licensed in Gilman. Richelle will send a bill for the dog's licensing fee. Ross confirmed that he will not be running for re-election, and will be stepping down as Chair at the end of his term. Agenda items for Feb: internet options, WTA district meeting, Fire Chief, Plan Commission report.

14. **Adjourn:** motion by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to adjourn; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

### Town of Gilman Monthly Meeting Minutes December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018

- 1. Meeting called to order by Chair Verges at 7:00 pm
- 2. Present: Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor and Sorenson, Treasurer Emerson and Clerk Manley. Also attending: Tom Peterson, Bill Emerson and Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag is recited
- 4. Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to amend the agenda to add 11A: contract for 2019 Assessor; motion approved
- Minutes: Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve the minutes of 11/14/18 meeting. Motion approved. Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve minutes of 11/27/18 Public Hearing minutes; motion carried
- 6. Bills: Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve the bills. Motion approved
- Treasurer's report: Beginning balance: \$175,437.45 income: \$36,247.88 expense: \$13,845.16 ending: \$197,840.17 including \$127,577.41 in available funds, \$70,262.76 in savings. Shared Revenue is in for \$30,364.91. Taxes collected in December are not included until January 2019
- 8. Public comments: none
- 9. Operator's permits: 3 for Team Oil. Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve: motion carried
- 10. Violet's View: Motion by Dennis to approve the resolution to accept 776<sup>th</sup> Ave and 283<sup>rd</sup> St in Violet's View as a town road. Motion carried. Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to vacate the bump-out where 776<sup>th</sup> and 283<sup>rd</sup> meet; motion carried
- 11. Animals: Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to table discussion or the animal ordinance until January; motion carried
   11A. Assessor: Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve 2019 Assessor's contract, which will

remain the same: \$7500 for the year; motion carried

- 12. Caucus: Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve 2019 Caucus date: Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup> 2019. Motion carried
- 13. Road report: Tree trimming is done. The maintenance on the fuel tank at the town hall is almost complete and up to code. The Army Corp would like to change the way they get billed from us but the board does not wish to make changes at this time. The new patching machine we are planning to purchase with Martell and El Paso is going to cost \$9333.00 Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve the purchase; motion approved
- 14. Chair's report: The WSLR report is complete. This is a report for the state detailing the conditions of our roads. We have added .32 miles with the Violet's View road addition, which will add funds to our Highway Aids. Phil is waiting to hear back from the county regarding the 890<sup>th</sup> project planned for next year. He heard from Ranger Power, the company planning a solar array in Gilman, and they are planning to meet with the county zoning office to discuss the project. Phil requested that Luann send a copy of the dog ordinance to a renter who may have more dogs than allowed, and has not registered their animals. Agenda items for January: Animal control ordinance, 890<sup>th</sup> Ave project, Rural Mutual Insurance policy.
- 15. Adjourn: motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to adjourn; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm

#### Town of Gilman

#### Public Budget Hearing Minutes

#### November 27, 2018

- 1. Public Hearing opened by Chair Phil Verges at 7:00 pm
- 2. Roll call: present at meeting: Chair Verges, Supervisors Sorenson & Traynor, Treasurer Emerson and Clerk Manley. Also attending: Richelle Bartlett, Andrea Wieland & Tom Peterson
- 3. Pledge to the flag is recited
- 4. Budget: the floor is opened for questions and comments.
- 5. Public Hearing closed at 7:20 pm by the Chair

### Special Meeting Of The Electors Of The Town Of Gilman

- 6. Special Meeting: declared open at 7:20 by the Chair
- Motion to approve salaries for elected officials with no changes by Richelle, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Andrea; motion carried
- 8. Motion by Richelle to approve the 2019 Budget, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Andrea; motion carried
- 9. Motion by Andrea, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Richelle to approve the highway expenditures for 2019; motion carried
- 10. Motion to adjourn by Andrea, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Richelle. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:23 pm

#### **Special Town Board Meeting**

- 11. Meeting called to order at 7:23 by Chair Verges
- 12. Roll call: Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor & Sorenson, Treasurer Emerson & Clerk Manley
- 13. Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to adopt the 2019 Budget; motion approved
- 14. Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to adjourn; motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:24 pm

# Town of Gilman Monthly Meeting Minutes November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018

- 1. Meeting called to order by Chair Verges at 7:00 pm
- 2. Present: Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor and Sorenson, Treasurer Emerson and Clerk Manley. Also attending: Tom Peterson, Andrea Wieland and Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag is recited
- 4. Minutes: Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve the minutes of 10/10/18 meeting. Motion approved
- 5. Bills: Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve the bills. Motion approved
- 6. Treasurer's report: Beginning balance: \$237,223.05 income: \$30,264.93 expenses: \$92,050.53 ending balance: \$175,437.45 including \$105,208.11 in available funds and \$70,229.34 in savings. Highway Aids of \$28,912.88 from the state were deposited and the last payment from Shared Revenue is expected this month. There will be a larger than usual carry over this year as the board is saving up for the big 890<sup>th</sup> road project next year
- Public comments: Andrea wished to thank our Patrolman Dewey Anderson for his hard work and dedication. Mike shared information from the Emergency Services meeting. Ambulance & Fire runs are both up this year, and volunteers are needed, especially during the daytime hours
- 8. Operator's permits: none
- 9. Violet's View: Motion by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to table discussion until December. Motion carried
- 10. Animal Control: Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to table discussion until further information is gathered. Motion carried
- 11. Budget: The Board went through the revised proposed 2019 budget and made updates and changes in preparation for the Budget Public Hearing on the 27<sup>th</sup>.
- 12. Roads: Mowing is nearly finished for the year. Dewey gave an update on the diesel fuel storage tank, which needs to be brought up to code. The pothole patcher we want to purchase with 2 other towns is mostly likely going to cost more than anticipated. The Army Corps would like to change the terms of their agreement with the township. The Board does not wish to change the terms which is currently \$125 per run at Dewey's discretion.
- 13. Chair's report: nothing to report
- 14. Chair Verges adjourns the meeting at 8:47 to convene into closed session to discuss the Patrolman's performance and pay.
- 15. Return to open session at 9:00 pm. Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve Dewey's 1.5 % raise in 2019; motion carried. Agenda items for December: Violet's View, animal control, January caucus. Dennis let us know he will not be running for reelection
- 16. Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to adjourn; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm

### Town of Gilman Monthly Meeting Minutes October 10, 2018

- 1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 by Chair Verges
- 2. Present: Chair Verges, Supervisors Sorenson & Traynor, Treasurer Emerson and Clerk Manley. Also attending: Bill Emerson, Brian Turner, Tony Huppert, Tom Peterson & Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag is recited
- 4. Bills: Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve the bills as presented with the addition of a Team Oil invoice for culverts. Motion carried
- 5. Minutes: Motion by Mike. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve the minutes of 9-5-18 meeting: motion carried
- 6. Treasurer's report: beginning balance \$248,424.99 income \$2182.64 expenses \$13,384.58 ending balance \$237,223.05 including \$166,504.25 in available funds and \$70,718.80 in savings
- 7. Public comments: None
- 8. Operator's permits: 1 for Team Oil. Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve; motion carried
- 9. Plan Commission report: Brian Turner driveway request recommended by the PC. Motion by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve; motion carried
- 10. Violet's View: Item tabled until we hear from the attorney reviewing the case
- 11. Road report: Mowing and grading done for the year, as well as pothole patching. Scott's finished the town hall road. Martell owns the patcher we use, and it is in need of repair. They do not intend to fix it and want to go in on a new one with 2 other towns. Our share would be \$6500. The board will consider adding this item to the 2019 budget
- 12. 2019 Budget: the board went line by line to assign funds to the 2019 budget
- 13. Chair's report: Phil & Dewey are working on the WISLR report for the state. Phil issued a driveway permit to Brian Turner, fee paid. He also attended the WTA workshop and shared information with all attending. Phil received a complaint about a renter who has 7-8 dogs and no licenses. This many animals requires a kennel license. The board will update the language in our Animal Control ordinance. Agenda items for November: 2019 Budget finalizing, Violet's View resolution, Patrolman's contract and animal control issues
- 14. Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to adjourn; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm

# Town of Gilman Monthly Meeting Minutes September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018

- 1. Meeting called to order by the Chair at 7:00 pm
- 2. **Present:** Chair Verges, Supervisors Sorenson & Traynor, Treasurer Emerson & Clerk Manley. Also attending: Tony Huppert, Bill Emerson, Tom Peterson, Dewey Anderson and Andrea Wieland
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance is recited
- 4. **Minutes:** motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve minutes of 8/8/18 meeting; motion carried
- 5. **Bills:** motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve the bills; motion carried
- 6. Treasurer's report: beginning balance: \$237,570.53 income: \$158,203.85 expense: \$147,349.39 ending balance: \$248,424.99 including \$177,737.02 in available funds and \$70,687.97 in savings. TRIP fund reimbursement is in as well as the final tax settlement. \*\*AMENDMENT\*\* Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to amend bill list to add payout of the Tax Account funds to the county; motion approved
- 7. Public comments: none
- 8. **Operator's permits**: motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve 2 for Team Oil; motion approved. The Board opened a discussion about whether or not to establish guidelines for the issuing of operator's licenses. Gilman currently has no guidelines. Tony expressed his opposition to certain language regarding convicted felons. The Board has tabled the discussion in order to do further research
- 9. **Violet's View:** The Board is going to contact an attorney regarding the adoption of the road running through Violet's View and the possible abandonment of a portion of the same road. Action is tabled until October
- 10. **Emergency Services:** Spring Valley has their new ambulance and their 2019 budget will have no changes. The Fire Association budget slightly decreases the amount Gilman pays yearly
- 11. Roads: 4 new culverts are in place on the county line road; bridge sealing is done for the year. Scott Construction is planning to be in Gilman in mid-September to finish with paving projects. Dewey is planning to (finally) take advantage of some of his vacation hours in the coming month
- 12. Chair's report: The Wisconsin Towns Association is having a Fall Workshop in Eau Claire and Phil will definitely attend, with the Supervisors deciding soon. They will let Luann know. Mike is interested in attending 1 day of the Annual Convention in Madison later in the year. Someone threw 2 very large old televisions in the ditch on 330<sup>th</sup> St. Phil & Dewey will remove them and contact Pierce County Recycling for disposal options and prices. Agenda items for October: 2019 Budget discussion, Violet's View road. No other items for discussion, motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to adjourn; motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm

# Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meetings Minutes August 8, 2018

- 1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 by Chair Verges
- 2. **Present at meeting:** Chair Verges, Supervisors Sorenson & Traynor, Treasurer Emerson and Clerk Manley. Also attending: Tony Huppert, Bill Emerson, Tom Peterson, Wayne Siverling, Andrea Wieland and Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag is recited
- 4. **Minutes:** motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve the minutes of 7-11-18 meeting; motion carried
- 5. **Bills**: motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve bills as presented; motion carried
- 6. **Amendment**: motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to amend the agenda to add: Discuss/take action: CUP; motion carried
- 7. Treasurer's report: beginning balance: \$258,624.59 income: \$42,080.79 expenses: \$63,134.85 ending balance: \$237,570.53 including \$151,923.69 in available funds and \$85,646.84 in savings. Highway Aids for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter came in as well as Fire Dues, Shared Revenues and Exempt Computer Aid. August tax settlement is expected next month. TRIP fund reimbursement has been received and will be included in August deposits
- 8. Public comments: none
- 9. **PC report**: motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve the conditional use permit for Wayne Siverling's replacement deck recommended by the Plan Commission. Motion carried
- 10. **Operator's permits; guidelines for issuing:** motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve 2 permits for Team Oil; motion carried. The Board looked at other towns guidelines regarding issuing operator's licenses and feels we should have something similar in place. Item tabled until September
- **11. Transportation resolution:** WTA recommends all towns approve a resolution encouraging the State and Governor to fund road maintenance. The Clerk prepared the resolution and shared it with the Board who voted to pass the resolution
- 12. **Road report:** Patching is nearly complete; chip sealing and sealcoating is complete on the 5 miles of road repaired this year. Stonehammer Hill needed re-shouldering after a hard rain.
- 13. Chair's report: Phil received a call about excessive grass clippings in the road and will contact the resident. Mike and Phil both have a conflict in their schedules and would like to move the September meeting ahead one week to September 5<sup>th</sup>. Agenda items for next meeting: Guidelines for issuing permits, the dog list.
- 14. **Adjourn:** Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to adjourn; meeting adjourned at 7:45

# Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes July 11, 2018

- 1. Meeting called to order at 7:01 pm by Chair Verges
- Present at meeting: Chair Verges, Supervisors Sorenson & Traynor, Treasurer Emerson and Clerk Manley. Also attending: Tony Huppert, Bill Emerson, Tom Peterson, Andrea Wieland & Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag is recited
- 4. **Minutes:** motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve the minutes of 6/13/18 meeting; motion carried
- 5. **Bills:** motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve the presented bills; motion carried
- 6. **Treasurer's report:** beginning balance: \$297,373.48 income: \$1056.55 expenses: \$38,805.44 ending balance: \$258,624.59 including \$173,019.80 in available funds and \$85,604.79 in savings
- 7. Public comments: none
- 8. **Operator's permits:** 1 for Team Oil. Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve; motion carried. The board is considering guidelines for approving permits and possible reasons for a permit to be denied. At this time, there are no guidelines for Gilman. The topic will be studied further and discussion tabled until August meeting
- 9. **Roads:** Dewey said the ditch mowing project is complete, as is dust control. Pulverizing on 890<sup>th</sup> is done. The culvert projects by the county are also finished.
- **10. Chair's report:** TRIP money refund has still not been received. Phil is going to contact the county to find out why. WI Towns Assoc. recommended that towns pass a resolution on transportation funding which will urge our legislators to work on securing funding for our roads. There is a continuing barking dog issue on 29 & 290<sup>th</sup>. The owner says there is no problem but his neighbors agree that the dogs bark continuously when left alone. The Board does have an ordinance regarding nuisance dogs and may issue citations if the issue is not addressed. Agenda items for August: guidelines for issuing operator's permits, transportation resolution.
- **11.** Adjourn: Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to adjourn, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:59

### Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018

1. Meeting called to order at 7:01 by Chair Phil Verges

2. **Present at meeting**: Chair Verges, Supervisor Sorenson, Treasurer Emerson & Clerk Manley. Supervisor Traynor is out of town. Also attending: Rick Fischer, Larry Johnson, Bill Emerson, Tom Peterson, Tony Huppert, Andrea Wieland & Dewey Anderson.

3. Pledge to the flag is recited

4. **Minutes:** Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve the minutes of the 5/9/18 meeting; motion carried

5. Bills: Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve the bills; motion carried

6. **Public comments**: Rick Fischer brought up the topic of speed limits in the town and would like to see the limits lowered as traffic increases

7. **Treasurer's report**: Beginning balance: \$306,139.28 income: \$5161.19 expenses: \$13,926.99 ending balance: \$297,373.48 including \$85,567.57 in savings and \$211,805.91 in available funds

8. Liquor license renewals: Team Oil and Red Barn each submitted their renewal applications and their employee's applications for operator's licenses. No changes at either business except employees. Motion by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve the liquor license renewals and operator's permits; motion carried

9. **BOR:** Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to adopt the Board of Review Confidentiality Ordinance which ensures any financial information discovered by the Assessor be kept private. Motion carried

10. **ATV hours:** Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to amend the ATV/UTV Hours of Operation Ordinance to 24 hours a day; motion carried

11. **Dogs:** Luann presented the list of the 6 remaining residences with dogs who have not paid for the licenses yet.

12. **Road report:** Dewey has been grading and controlling weeds, waiting on crushed rock. Dust control has been pushed back a couple weeks. The Board proposed two bridge projects with cost share by the county, one on 770<sup>th</sup> Ave and the other on 410<sup>th</sup> St. Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve the two bridge projects; motions approved. Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> lift on 770<sup>th</sup> Ave to be completed by Scott Construction; motion approved

13. **Chair's report**: Phil received a complaint about loud hound dogs. The Treasurer's laptop is 8 years old and needs replacing. Luann will purchase a new one and be reimbursed. There was \$1000 in the budget this year for a new one. Agenda items for July 11<sup>th</sup> meeting: Discuss guidelines for issuing operator's permits.

14. Adjourn: Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to adjourn; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:29 pm

# Special Meeting of the Board June 20<sup>th</sup> 2018

- 1. Meeting called to order at 12:10 pm by Chair Verges
- Discuss/take action: crack-filling bids
   Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve Scott Construction's bid for crack filling; motion approved
- 4. Meeting adjourned at 1:10 pm

## Town of Gilman Monthly Meeting Minutes May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018

- 1. Board of Review was opened by Chair Phil Verges at 7:00
- 2. **Roll call**: Chair Verges, Supervisors Mike Traynor and Dennis Sorenson, Treasurers Luann Emerson and Richelle Bartlett and Clerk Becky Manley
- 3. Motion by Dennis to table the meeting to a yet-to-be-determined-date due to our new assessors being booked until mid-summer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike; motion carried
- 4. Board of Review adjourned at 7:02

1. Monthly board meeting called to order by Chair Verges at 7:02

- 2. Present at meeting: Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor and Sorenson, Treasurers Emerson and Bartlett and Clerk Manley. Also attending: Larry Johnson, Dewey Anderson, Andrea Wieland, Bill Emerson and Tom Peterson
- 3. Pledge to the flag is recited
- 4. **Minutes:** Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve the minutes of the 4-11-18 meeting. Motion carried
- 5. **Bills:** Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve the bills; motion carried
- 6. **New Treasurer installed**: Luann Emerson recited the Oath of Office and was appointed as the replacement treasurer for Richelle Bartlett who is stepping down due to family obligations.
- 7. Treasurer's report: beginning balance: \$283,334.16 income: \$42,736.77 expenses: \$19,931.65 ending balance: \$306,139.28 including available funds of \$221,131.75 and savings of \$85,007.53 Highways Aids are in: \$28,912.87 and a lottery credit of \$7,895.99. The board split up a list of residents who still owe for their dogs and will visit those properties to ask about the animals and the licenses
- 8. **Public comments**: Mike shared with all present a proposal by the state that all local fire departments and ambulances form "regions" that are overseen by large private companies which may dramatically affect the wait time for a "local" ambulance or fire truck. The Emergency Services board will address this topic further
- 9. ATV hours: Larry Johnson from the Pierce County ATV Club requested the board change the allowable riding hours to 24 hours a day to be in line with other towns in Pierce and neighboring counties. Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to table the discussion until the June meeting so they can do research regarding the hours and laws; motion carried
- 10. **WTA report**: Phil and Mike attended the WI Towns Association meeting in Eau Claire and shared the topics they covered: Tannerite, animal control, wedding barns and ATV signs
- 11. **Roads**: Weight limits are off and Dewey got quotes for asphalt work which has risen a lot this year due to the increase in oil prices. Dewey shared information about trading in our mower for a new one. The board plans to meet with a representative from the county to discuss our project list. This quorum will be noticed.
- 12. **Chair's report**: The annual Big Dump Days weekend was a huge success this year. Phil shared a desire to put in place a confidentiality ordinance relating to financial information which the assessor may have access to. This was recommended at the WTA meeting. Agenda items for the June meeting: ATV hours, dog licenses.

13. **Adjourn:** Motion by Mike to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm

# Town of Gilman Monthly Meeting Minutes April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018

- 1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Verges
- Present at meeting: Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor and Sorenson, Treasurer Bartlett & Clerk Manley. Also attending: Jeanee Pallin, Andrea Wieland, Scott Mathison, Tom Peterson, Jim Bateman, Bill & Luann Emerson, Ross Christopherson, Tom Manley & Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag recited
- 4. **Minutes:** motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve the minutes of the 3-14-18 meeting; motion approved
- 5. **Bills:** motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve the bills as presented with the addition of the Timm Oil bill forn\$645.00; motion carried
- 6. Treasurer's report: beginning balance: \$296,653.67 income: \$2672.55 expense: \$15,995.06 ending balance: \$283,334.16 including \$198,364.82 in available funds and \$84,969.34 in savings. Richelle started a "Taxes" savings account which is money set aside for omitted taxes which will be payable in January. Phil is going to call about the TRIP money which we are supposed to be reimbursed for. 76 dogs are still not paid for but there will be no late fees assessed until April 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 7. **Public comments**: Jim asked about the fireworks permits. They will be addressed at the Annual Meeting
- 8. **Operator's permits**: 3 for Team Oil. Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve; motion carried
- Plan Commission: A request by Scott Mathison for a CUP for an accessory residence on his property. The PC met and discussed the request and recommended approval. Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve; motion carried
- 10. **Annual Meeting**: Phil reviewed the agenda for the Annual Meeting which will take place on April 17<sup>th</sup>
- 11. **Roads:** The road tour will take place next Friday beginning at 8:00 am and the findings will be shared at the annual meeting. The diesel fuel tank was inspected again, and they listed improvements we need to make. The weight limit signs are up. Dust control prices remain the same this year. Dewey does not have prices for sealcoating or cold mix yet this year but anticipates getting them soon
- 12. **Board will convened into closed session** at 7:30 pursuant to SS 19.85 (1) (c) WI Stats for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility: Appointment of Treasurer
- 13. **The Board returned to open session** at 8:13 to take action on the item. Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to appoint Luann Emerson; motion carried. Luann will finish Richelle's remaining term
- 14. **Chair's report:** Phil attended Board of Review training on behalf of the town board as at least one person must be certified to lead the BOR which will take place later this year. The certification lasts for 2 years. Phil wants to appoint alternates to the BOR at the next meeting, and adopt an ordinance regarding financial confidentiality. The BOR will need to be adjourned and closed at the next meeting due to the date not being scheduled yet with our new assessors. An ongoing fence dispute between neighbors on Co Rd CC & Hwy 29 is active again. Phil attempted to discuss the fence with one of the parties which was not successful. Neither party

wants to make repairs any longer. Gilman may look into having the fence repaired and bill the parties for the cost and will seek legal counsel. There was a report about loose dogs near Schmitt Timber and loose pigs on Hwy 29. Agenda items for May: BOR

15. **Adjourn:** Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to adjourn; motion carried, meeting adjourned at 8:43 pm

### Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes March 14, 2018

- 1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Verges
- Present at Meeting: Chair Verges, Supervisors Sorenson & Traynor, Treasurer Bartlett & Clerk Manley. Also attending: Jeanee Pallin, Andrea Wieland, Tony Huppert, Don Nellessen, Tom Peterson and Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag recited
- 4. Minutes: motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve minutes of 2/14/18 meeting; motion carried
- 5. Bills: motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve bills with the addition of the Chimney Rock Assessing payment; motion carried
- 6. Treasurer's report: beginning balance: \$650265.71 Income: \$193542.65 Expenses: \$547154.69 Ending bal: \$296,653.67 including \$211722.46 in liquid funds and \$84931.21 in savings. Final tax settlements were paid to the schools, and the first half of the dog license settlement to the county. Bridge Aides of \$ 3058.53 was received as well as dog surplus refund.
- 7. Building Inspector: motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve the 2-year contract with All Croix Inspections. Motion carried
- 8. Treasurer appointment: Jeanee Pallin has stepped forward as a candidate for Treasurer, as Richelle Bartlett is stepping down. Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to table the action until the April meeting in case others are interested in the job; motion approved
- 9. Emergency Services: motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to appoint Mike as the Gilman representative to the ES Board. Motion approved
- 10. Annual Meeting: additional agenda items: fireworks permits, Big Dump Days 2018
- 11. Road report: 26 loads of salt/sand for the season so far. Weight limit signs are up. Tree cutting clean up is continuing. Kraemer sent a new rate sheet and wants a monthly usage report which Dewey will take care of
- 12. Chair's report: Scott Mathison has requested the Plan Commission issue a conditional use permit for an accessory residence on his property. The PC will review this at their next meeting in April. The Board of Review will be pushed back this year due to our new assessor's being booked. The date is to be determined. Ranger Power is interested in building a solar array in Gilman and will be available to meet with board members if they wish. The annual Road Tour is scheduled for Friday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am. Agenda items for April: PC report, Treasurer appointment, Annual Meeting.
- 13. Adjourn: motion to adjourn by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm

# Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes February 14, 2018

- 1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Verges. Agenda amended to add approving the election workers
- Roll call: Chair Verges, Supervisor Sorenson, Treasurer Bartlett & Clerk Manley. Also attending: Kelly Owen, Mike Hutter, Paula Lugar, Don Nellessen, Jerry Nelson, Mike Traynor, Tom Peterson, Tony Huppert, and Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag
- 4. **Minutes:** Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve minutes of 1-10-18 meeting. Motion carried
- 5. **Bills:** Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried. A payment to the Dept of Revenue fir withholding was made twice, and they will be sending a refund
- 6. Treasurer's report: Beginning balance: \$101,193.19 Income: \$1,142,071.75 Expenses: \$592,999.23 Ending balance: \$650,265.71 Most of the income was tax collections. We have also received the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of Highway Aids. Our school districts have all received their portions of the January tax settlements. Richelle Bartlett announced that she will be stepping down as Treasurer, and her family is preparing for the birth of their 4<sup>th</sup> child. She will assist with training the replacement treasurer
- 7. **Building Inspector:** Motion by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to table discussion until March meeting, when Todd Dolan can attend. Motion approved
- 8. **Property Assessor:** Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to award the contract to Chimney Rock Assessing. Motion carried
- 9. **Public comments:** Paula Lugar introduced herself to all assembled as a candidate for County Supervisor, District 9. Dennis attended the Emergency Services meeting and shared their progress on purchasing a new ambulance. The 3 candidates for Supervisor introduced themselves to all attending

\*\*9A. Election Workers: Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve worker list. Motion carried

- 10. **Zoning** and speed limits: Phil asked a representative from the county about how many trailer homes can be on one parcel. The county visited the property in question and sent a letter asking for contact. No further info at this time. The County Highway Safety Committee will discuss the suggestion of imposing a lower speed limit on a section of Hwy 29 at their next meeting
- 11. **Road report:** Dewey wishes to contact John Deere about trading in our mower, which is 5 years old now. Nearby townships trade every 4 years. Our tractor needs new front tires before mowing season begins. Army Corp asked Dewey to continue plowing this year.
- 12. 7:50 pm Board convened into closed session pursuant to SS 19.85 (1) (c) WI Stats for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility: Appointment of Supervisor I
- 13. **Return** from closed session at 7:58 pm. Motion by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Becky to appoint Mike Traynor as the new Supervisor I, replacing the late Jim Traynor who passed away in December. Motion approved

- **14. Chair's report:** District meeting will be held on March 24<sup>th</sup> in Eau Claire. Phil will attend the required Board of Review training session and Mike will look at rearranging a previous engagement to attend as well. Agenda items for March: Emergency Services liaison to be chosen, All Croix Inspector's contract, replacement treasurer, annual meeting
- **15.** Audit: The Board completed an audit of the 2017 books kept by the treasurer and clerk. No discrepancies were found
- **16. Oath:** Mike Traynor recited and signed the Oath of Office, becoming the new supervisor for Gilman
- **17. Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:34 pm

### Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018

- 1. Meeting called to order by Chair Verges at 7:00 pm
- Roll call: Present at meeting: Chair Verges, Supervisor Sorenson, Treasurer Bartlett & Clerk Manley. Also attending: Andrea Wieland, Tom Peterson, Tony Huppert, Mike Traynor, Jerry Nelson, Susan Hayes, Tom Jenkins, Kelly Owen, Chuck Davis, Dewey Anderson, Mike Hutter, Terry & Diana Fischer and Dave Larson
- 3. **Pledge** to the flag was recited. Chairman Verges wanted to publicly acknowledge the sudden loss of longtime Supervisor Jim Traynor who passed away shortly before Christmas
- 4. **Minutes:** Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve minutes of 12-13-17 meeting. Motion carried
- 5. **Bills:** Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve bills as presented. Motion approved
- 6. Treasurer's report: Beginning balance: \$260,316.49 Income: \$2,182.38 Expenses: \$161,305.68 Ending balance: \$101,193.19 including \$16,377.02 in available funds and \$84,856.17 in savings. These are the ending balances for the year 2017. Many residents paid their taxes early this year, but the funds don't go on the books until January 1<sup>st</sup> of 2018. General Transportation Aids were finally calculated for 2018 and Gilman's portion will be \$115,651.49 payable quarterly with the first payment arriving in early January
- 7. **Rural Mutual** agent Tom Jenkins detailed the coverage carried by the Town of Gilman
- 8. **Operator's permits:** 1 for Team Oil. Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve; motion carried
- 9. Public comments: A resident questioned zoning laws regarding the number of trailer houses that can legally be on one parcel, and the possibility of lowering the speed limit on the section of Highway 29 between N and 450<sup>th</sup> St because of the large number of residents on that stretch. Another resident asked about the timeline for paving a section of 490<sup>th</sup> Street. At this time, we don't have funding to do new pavement on our gravel roads
- 10. **Supervisor appointment:** Jerry Nelson and Mike Traynor spoke to all attendees about why they would like to be considered for the Supervisor position left vacant by the passing of Jim Traynor. The Board will make the decision at the February meeting
- 11. Property Assessor: Kelly Owen presented 2 possible contract renewals, one for 1 year, and one for 2 years. The Board is entertaining other proposals and would like to conduct an interview. Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to table the discussion until a decision is made at the February meeting
- 12. **Roads:** The furnace in the shop went out sometime on New Year's Day, but was repaired quickly. Pierce Pepin completed the tree projects Dewey was hoping to finish. No word from the Army Corp yet regarding the plowing contract. Phil received a letter from the county about increasing the weight limits on 2 bridges. Dewey will contact the county about these changes. 13 loads of salt/sand so far this year.
- 13. Chair's report: Dairyland Power is going to rebuild some lines crossing through Gilman in 2019, and asked about permits. Emergency Services meeting will be next week. They would like a representative from the board to attend. Jim Traynor was the rep previously. Dennis will attend. Someone left a message about loose dogs but did not leave a name. Agenda items for 2/14/18: Assessor contract, Supervisor replacement, zoning issues, books audit. Motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to adjourn; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:09

# Town of Gilman Monthly Meeting Minutes Weds. Dec. 11, 2019

- 1. Meeting called to order by Chair Verges at 7:00 pm
- 2. **Roll call**: Chair Verges, Supervisor Traynor and Clerk Manley. Supervisor Emerson & Treasurer Emerson are out of town. Also attending: Franc Fennessy, Tom Peterson, Rose & Kaitlyn Pluth, Ross Christopherson, David Larson and Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag is recited
- 4. **Minutes**: motion by Phil 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve minutes of 11/13/19 & 11/19/19 meetings; motion approved
- 5. **Bills**: motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve the bills with the addition of a bill from Timm Oil and the Pierce Co Treasurer; motion approved
- 6. **Treasurer's report**: Beginning balance: \$409,889.03 income: \$35,738.05 expense: \$25,607.12 balance: \$420,019.96 including \$349,351.36 in available funds and \$70,668.60 in savings
- 7. **Operator's permits**: motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve 1 for Team Oil; motion carried
- 8. **Public Comments**: Franc Fennessy from Ranger Power gave updates on the solar project. David Larson asked about a sinking culvert on his driveway, road signs that need replacing and requested a lower speed limit on Highwayn29. Mr. Larson was directed to the proper authorities at the county
- 9. **Roads**: Dewey completed spot mowing for snow control and put up some new stop signs. Tree grinding is complete and the new culverts are in place on 450<sup>th</sup> Street.
- 10. **Tractor bids:** Dewey shared bids for the new tractor from Value Implement, Frontier and Tractor Central. The Board would like to meet with representatives from Frontier & Tractor Central for more details and tabled the item until after they meet
- 11. Chair's report: The MLS grant application has been submitted to the state. Gilman is hoping to receive money to repave 750<sup>th</sup> Ave from Hwy BB to N so tourists can reach the Maple Leaf Orchard more easily. Mike then gave a brief Emergency Services report, including the \$139,000.00 grant the Fire Department just received to update their equipment. Agenda items for January: Tractor bids, Rural Mutual Insurance policy review, Plan Commission report.
- 12. Adjourn: motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm

#### Town of Gilman

#### **Public Budget Hearing Minutes**

#### November 19, 2019

- 1. Public Hearing opened by Chair Phil Verges at 7:00 pm
- 2. Roll call: present at meeting: Chair Phil Verges, Supervisors Mike Traynor & Bill Emerson, Treasurer Luann Emerson and Clerk Becky Manley. Also attending: Tom Peterson
- 3. Pledge to the flag is recited
- 4. Budget: the floor is opened for questions and comments.
- 5. Public Hearing closed at 7:41 pm by the Chair

#### Special Meeting Of The Electors Of The Town Of Gilman

- 6. Special Meeting: declared open at 7:41 by the Chair
- 7. Motion to approve salaries for elected officials by Tom, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike; motion carried
- 8. Motion by Mike to approve the 2020 Budget, including a levy limit of \$402,881.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom; motion carried
- 9. Motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom to approve the highway expenditures for 2020; motion carried
- 10. Motion to adjourn by Tom, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm

#### **Special Town Board Meeting**

- 11. Meeting called to order at 7:45 by Chair Verges
- 12. Roll call: Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor & Emerson, Treasurer Emerson & Clerk Manley
- 13. Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to adopt the 2020 Budget; motion approved
- 14. Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to adjourn; motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm

# Town of Gilman Monthly Meeting Minutes Weds. Nov. 13, 2019

- 1. Meeting called to order by Chair Verges at 7:00 pm
- 2. **Roll call**: Chair Verges, Supervisor Emerson, Clerk Manley & Treasurer Emerson. Also attending: Franc Fennessy, Tom Peterson, Andrea Wieland and Dewey Anderson. Supervisor Traynor was out of town
- 3. Pledge to the flag is recited
- 4. **Minutes**: motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve minutes of 10/09/19 meeting; motion approved
- 5. **Bills**: motion by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to approve the bills as presented; motion approved
- 6. Treasurer's report: Beginning balance: \$425,299.89 income: \$30,017.08 expenses: \$45,427.94 leaving a balance of \$409,889.03 \$339251.58 in available funds and \$70637.45 in savings. Highway Aids made up most of the income. Shared Revenue will come at the end of the month which will get us through the end of the year after the \$300,000.00+ bill from Pierce Co Highway Department
- 7. **Operator's permits**: None. Red Barn withdrew their application for an additional Class A liquor license. They will be billed only for the publication fee of \$35
- 8. **Public comments**: Franc from Ranger Power gave some updates on the Solar Array project. Tom asked about the large amount of field mud being left on the roadways after harvesting which creates a dangerously slick driving surface when it's wet. Phil encouraged him to contact the county highway department with his concerns
- 9. **Plan Commission report**: PC met to discuss Aamodt CSM and recommends approval. Motion by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to approve; motion carried. PC Chair will forward the information to the county
- 10. **Roads**: Shouldering on 890<sup>th</sup> is done, pothole patching continues as weather permits. Dewey is waiting to hear back about tractor bids and is working with the county on the culverts needing replacement on 490<sup>th</sup>
- 11. Chair's report: 2 driveway permits last month. Phil is working on the MLS application, which is a 90-10 reimbursement program. The Army Corps of Engineers is asking again for an itemization of billing so they can make better use of their funds for plowing/sanding and a signed contract. Luann and Dewey agree to separate the bill into plowing and salt/sand, but no contract. Assessor's contract remains the same for next year. Phil received another call about dogs running loose on 730<sup>th</sup> & 330<sup>th</sup>. The resident was allegedly threatened by the owner, who has been sent registered letters which he refused, and was advised by Phil to contact law enforcement. The Board may have him served with the letter and a copy of the animal ordinance. Another resident called about rats on an empty property which are entering her property.
- 12. **Budget**: The board went through the updated 2020 budget proposal and finalized numbers for approval at the Public Hearing
- 13. Chair Verges adjourns the meeting at 8:23 to convene into closed session to discuss the Patrolman's performance and pay.
- 14. The meeting reconvenes into open session at 8:44. Motion by Phil to approve Dewey's 2020 salary including a 40-cent per hour raise, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill; motion carried. Motion to adjourn by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:47

# Town of Gilman Monthly Meeting Minutes Weds. October 9, 2019

- 1. Meeting called to order by Chair Verges at 7:00 pm
- Roll call: Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor and Emerson, Clerk Manley & Treasurer Emerson. Also attending: Franc Fennessy, Andrew Hamilton, Tom Manley, Tom Peterson, Andrea Wieland, Paula Lugar, Bruce Hartung, Paul Seeling, Myndy & Troy Johnson, Gretchen Thom and Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag is recited

\*The meeting was moved to Violet's View for a public viewing of the section of road to be vacated

\*The meeting reconvened after viewing

- 4. **Resolution:** Phil read aloud the Resolution to Discontinue a Portion of Town Road. Full copies of the resolution including descriptions and maps were available to all present. Motion by Mike to the adopt the resolution, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill; motion carried
- 5. **Highway Order:** Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to issue/adopt the Highway Order; motion carried
- 6. **Minutes:** Motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approved the minutes of 9/11/19 meeting; motion approve
- 7. **Bills:** Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to approve bills as presented; motion carried
- 8. **Treasurer's report:** Beginning balance: \$433,689.75 income: \$816.31 expense: \$9,206.17 ending balance: \$425,299.89 including \$354,697.23 in available funds and \$70,602.66 in savings.
- 9. **Operator's permits:** 3 applications for Red Barn. Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to approve; motion carried
- 10. **Public comments:** Gretchen Thom asked about the Class A liquor license that Red Barn is applying for. The application will be considered at the November meeting. A resident asked about where to find the agenda and minutes and was directed to the website and the public locations where agendas are posted/published
- 11. **Ranger Power:** Andrew and Franc presented a PowerPoint and invited questions regarding the solar array to be built in Gilman
- 12. **Hazard Mitigation:** Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to adopt the Pierce County All Hazards Mitigation Plan; motion carried. The clerk will let the county know it has been adopted
- 13. **Roads**: Grading, moving and ditch dig-outs continue as well as cold-mix patching. Dewey met with people from Tractor Central about the tractor which is due to be traded. He shared details with the board which will consider options
- 14. **Chair's report**: Phil shared what they learned at the WTA district meeting in Eau Claire including the pavement report, signage, and new grant programs. Clerk Manley asked the board about an election security training conference being held in Green Bay in November. They agreed that it would be a valuable training session, and she is going to attend. Bill will be attending a conference in The Dells in the coming weeks. Agenda items for November: 2020 Budget, Class A Liquor License application, PC report.

- 15. Budget: The board went through the 2019 budget line by line and suggested preliminary amounts for 2020. These numbers will be adjusted as bills are paid, and will be refined at the November meeting. Budget Public Hearing to be held on Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall.
- 16. **Adjourn**: Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to adjourn. Motion carried; meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm

# Town of Gilman Monthly Meeting Minutes Weds. Sept. 11, 2019

- 1. Meeting called to order by Chair Verges at 7:00 pm
- 2. **Roll call**: Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor and Emerson, Clerk Manley & Treasurer Emerson. Also attending: Franc Fennessy, Tom Manley, Tom Peterson, Andrea Wieland and Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag is recited
- 4. **Minutes**: motion by Billl, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve minutes of 7/10/19 & 8/14/19 meetings; motion approved
- 5. **Bills**: motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to approve the bills as presented; motion approved
- 6. **Treasurer's report**: Beginning balance: \$290,712.02 income: \$154,240.06 expense: \$11,262.33 balance: \$433,689.75 including \$363,121.10 in available funds and \$70,568.65 in savings
- 7. Operator's permits: None
- 8. **Public Comments**: Franc Fennessy from Ranger Power gave updates on the solar project and information regarding the Open House they held for residents which was very well attended
- Plan Commission: Tom Manley, Chair, presented the CSM for property owned by Hartungs and recommended the approval, contingent on the Violet's View road vacation going as planned. Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to approve, motion carried
- 10. **Roads**: Scott's finished their project. The county is hoping to finish the 890<sup>th</sup> project this month. There have been lots of trees and limbs in the road due to all the storms last month.
- 11. **Chair's report**: Pierce County Emergency Management sent an All County Hazard Mitigation Plan to Phil and requested that all towns adopt the plan. Copies of the plan are available upon request. He discussed the WTA Fall Workshop which is coming up in Eau Claire. Mike & Phil will attend and Becky & Luann will check their schedules to see if they can attend. Bill will be attending a similar convention in The Dells next month. The Department of Transportation sent Phil information about a 90-10 grant fund for new building projects. The Board will look into applying for this money. Agenda items for October: Ranger Power update, Hazard Mitigation plan, 2020 budget pre-planning
- 12. **Adjourn**: motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to adjourn, motion carried; meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm

# Town of Gilman Monthly Meeting Minutes Weds. August 14, 2019

- 1. Meeting called to order by Chair Verges at 7:00 pm
- 2. **Roll call**: Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor and Emerson, Clerk Manley & Treasurer Emerson. Also attending: Tom Peterson, Franc Fennessy, Ross Christopherson, Amber Gaddy, Gretchen & Randy Thom and Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag is recited. **\*Amendment\*** Motion by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to add Emergency Services report between items 9 and 10; motion approved
- 4. **Minutes**: No minutes to approve due to the laptop being out of working order.
- 5. **Bills**: motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to approve the bills as presented; motion approved
- Treasurer's report: Beginning balance: \$284,223.39 Income: \$40,342.02 expenses: \$33,853.39 ending balance: \$290,712.02 including \$220,177.75 in available funds and \$70,534.27 in savings. Highway Aids came in on July 1<sup>st</sup>. August county settlement is next month and Shared Revenue comes in November
- 7. **Operator's permits**: Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to approve 2 for Red Barn; motion carried
- 8. **Public Comments**: Gretchen and Randy Thom asked about the yearly renewal process and questioned whether or not the Board called the state to report unlicensed sellers. The Board did not. The parties agreed that the renewal information will be sent out earlier next year and the communication will improve. Franc Fennessy from Ranger Power shared details about the upcoming Open House/Informational Meeting they are holding in September.
- 9. Violet's View: Phil read a letter from Loberg Law which detailed all the steps that need to be taken to vacate the section in Violet's View. Phil then introduced a Resolution to Discontinue a Portion of Town Road. He then read the Resolution to Adopt the Resolution to Schedule a Hearing on Discontinuing a Portion of Town Road. Motion to adopt by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill; motion unanimously approved. All documents are available for viewing by request. Please contact the clerk for information
- ES Report: The amount of dues paid by Gilman will go up next year due to increased population.
   3 new volunteer ambulance attendants are ready in Spring Valley, so they are fully staffed currently.
- 11. **Road report**: The 750<sup>th</sup> ave project is scheduled to be complete before the Maple Leaf Orchard opens for the season. The new fuel tank has been inspected and is ready for use. The new front tractor tires are ready for mounting. Dewey shared details about the parsnip control class he attended. Topics covered were spraying & mowing.
- 12. Chair's report: Phil shared the information he received regarding Dewey's CDL contract which specifies that he must submit to regular drug testing. The contract is going up to \$25 per year. Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to continue membership with the consortium; motion carried. Phil received an update on the 2 distressed properties in Gilman and progress is being made on one. The county agent didn't seem to think the second property was an issue. Phil asked the agent to reconsider and look again. Agenda items for September: pre-planning for Budget. Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to adjourn; motion carried
- 13. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:21 Becky Manley, Clerk

#### Town of Gilman Monthly Meeting Minutes Weds. July 10, 2019

- 1. Meeting called to order by Chair Verges at 7:00 pm
- 2. **Roll call**: Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor and Emerson, Clerk Manley & Treasurer Emerson. Also attending: Tom Peterson, Andrea Wieland and Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag is recited
- 4. **Minutes**: motion by Billl, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve minutes of 6/12/19 meeting; motion approved
- 5. **Bills**: motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to approve the bills as presented; motion approved
- Treasurer's report: Beginning balance: \$321,549.95 income: \$3,982.37 expenses: \$41,308.93 ending balance: \$284,223.39 including \$213,724.57 in available funds and \$70,498.82 in savings. Luann gave details about remaining residents on the dog registration list and just a few people still need to pay for their dogs
- 7. **Public comments**: Andrea brought in some information she found online about wild parsnip and methods for control. Dewey is attending a class on the topic next month and will share what he learns.
- 8. Dump prices: The Board discussed the fees we are currently charging for waste disposal, specifically during Big Dump Days when the term "truckload" can vary wildly and we currently charge one fee. Pierce County prices vary from \$25-\$200 depending on the size of the load. Also addressed was the charge for tire disposal. The fees were adjusted to more closely align with the county fees. Appliances and electronics are no longer accepted at the town hall and the new fees will be applied at the next Big Dump Weekend
- **9.** Violet's View: Loberg Law Office is working on the legal documents we need in order to vacate a section of road. Further information will be shared at the August meeting
- 10. Road report: The first pass of ditch mowing is complete, as is dust control. The used fuel tank is scheduled to be picked up by the buyer. Dewey will be purchasing new tires for the tractor. Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to approve the chip sealing on 730<sup>th</sup> Ave from 330<sup>th</sup> St to Co Rd BB; motion approved
- 11. Chair's report: 3 driveway permits were issued. There was a problematic beaver dam on 850<sup>th</sup> which appears to have taken care of itself. Phil has spoken with people at the county regarding 2 distressed properties in Gilman which have received multiple complaints by residents. Solid Waste or Land Management will address the issues with the property owners. Agenda items for August: Resolution to Vacate and the Public Hearing. Motion by Bill to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike; motion carried
- 12. Adjourn: meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm

# Town of Gilman Monthly Meeting Minutes Weds. June 12, 2019

- 1. Meeting called to order by Chair Verges at 7:00 pm
- 2. **Roll call**: Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor and Emerson, Clerk Manley & Treasurer Emerson. Also attending: Larry Anderson, Tom Peterson, Andrea Wieland, Tom Manley and Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag is recited
- 4. **Minutes**: motion by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve minutes of 5/8/19 meeting; motion approved
- 5. **Bills**: motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve the bills as presented; motion approved
- 6. **Treasurer's report**: Beginning balance: \$335,592.68 income: \$7,253.64 expense: \$21,296.37 ending balance: \$321,549.95 including savings: \$70,465.97 & available funds: \$251,083.98 Luann detailed the remaining residents who still have not registered their dogs.
- 7. **Public comments**: A resident brought up the person living in a camper on Co Rd BB. He has been there for many years and this resident is exasperated by the looks of the property which abuts his. Garbage bags and other refuse, wrecked campers and construction materials are strewn about and make the property look bad. Nearby neighbors have also complained about the condition of the property. Phil will contact the county about rules concerning permanent camping and allowable refuse amounts.
- 8. **Operator's permits, License renewals:** Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to approve sellers permits and liquor licenses for Team Oil and Red Barn Bar & Grill and Red Barn Store, motion carried
- 9. **Plan Commission report:** PC Chair Tom Manley gave the recommendation of approval for the Peterson CSM. Motion by Mike to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill, motion carried. The Clerk will email the county with the approval as soon as possible.
- 10. Emergency Services: Mike detailed the latest meeting of the ES Department
- 11. **Roads**: Dust control is scheduled for later this month. Grinding on 750<sup>th</sup> is set for next week. The county is coming out to check on a leaking culvert on 330<sup>th</sup> St.
- 12. Chair's report: Phil shared the information he obtained at a meeting of county officials regarding who to contact during emergencies that occur during inclement weather. Phil received a driveway permit application with a check for a drive he has not looked at or approved. The Clerk received an application from Baldwin Lightstream for a utility permit. He will contact the senders for further information. The Board of Review meets next week, June 16<sup>th</sup>. The Violet's View saga continues; Lots 13&14 were purchased by one family who wishes to build a home and will sign off on the town vacating the cul-de-sac. Phil will verify that the owner of lot 15 is not required to sign off. There was a beaver dam causing problems on 850<sup>th</sup>. It seems like nature took care of the issue. Phil got a call from Senator Smith regarding the excessive fines which are sometimes assessed to towns when reports are late. Agenda items for July: Dump prices, Violet's View. Motion to adjourn by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike; motion approved.
- 13. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:16

# Town of Gilman Monthly Meeting Minutes Weds. May 8, 2019

- 1. Meeting called to order by Chair Verges at 7:00 pm
- 2. **Roll call**: Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor and Sorenson, Clerk Manley & Treasurer Emerson. Also attending: Tom Peterson, Andrea Wieland and Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag is recited
- 4. **Minutes**: motion by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve minutes of 4/10/19 meeting; motion approved
- 5. **Bills**: motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve the bills with the addition of the Lakes Gas bill for \$206.56; motion approved
- Treasurer's report: Beginning balance: \$314100.74 income: \$43928.24, including Highway Aids and Lottery Credit expense: \$22436.30 ending: \$335592.68 including savings: \$70431.29 & available: \$265161.39 Luann detailed the remaining residents who still have not registered their dogs.
- 7. **Public comments**: Franc Fennessy from Ranger Power had requested use of the town hall in June for an informational meeting regarding the solar array to be built in Gilman, but because of delays on the project, he is postponing his request
- 8. **Operator's permits**: 2 for Team Oil. Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to approve, motion carried
- 9. Roads: Salt/sand mix is stored for the year. Dewey will begin taking down the weight limit signs as he sees fit, and he has begun pothole patching. Phil presented the list of projects that they put together after the road tour. Copies of the list were available to all meeting attendees. With the carry-over from the 2018 budget, Gilman has approximately \$311,000.00 for roads this year. The 890<sup>th</sup> Ave project will use most of the money this year.
- 10. Chair's report: Phil attended training for alcohol and drug testing. With Dewey holding a CDL, he is subject to random drug testing and as the Chair, Phil would get the notice first and then let Dewey know he needs to be tested. Phil shared a letter he received from Sheriff Nancy Hove about the Emergency Services meeting held to make clear procedures regarding who to contact during storms. Work is continuing on this project. Big Dumpster Days was very busy this year. The board would like to revisit the cost per truckload and the tire cost before next year to make sure we are breaking even.
- 11. Bids: Phil thought we could skip the closed session to discuss the bids because we only got two. Pierce County had the lowest bid. Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to approve the bid from Pierce County; motion carried. Agenda items for June: Plan Commission report, dog list. Motion by Bill to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:12 pm

# Town of Gilman Monthly Meeting Minutes (Weds. April 10, 2019) **Tuesday, April 16, 2019**

#### Meeting rescheduled due to inclement weather

- 1. Meeting called to order by Chair Verges at 7:35 pm
- Roll call: Chair Verges, Supervisors Traynor and Sorenson, Clerk Manley & Treasurer Emerson. Also attending: Tony Huppert, Tom Peterson, Tom Manley, Bill Emerson, Andrea & Michael Wieland and Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag is recited
- 4. **Minutes**: motion by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve minutes of 3/13/19 meeting; motion approved
- 5. **Bills**: motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve the bills as presented; motion approved
- 6. **Treasurer's report**: Beginning balance: \$329,881.44 Income: \$3506.18 Expenses: \$19,286.88 Ending balance: \$314,100.74 including \$243,703.11 in available funds and \$70,397.03 in savings. Luann will present a detailed tax report in May. She got many notes of thanks included with payments for taxpayer plowing & sanding with residents grateful for Dewey's hard work this winter. She updated the board on the outstanding dog licenses list and will make some calls this month to let people know they are going to be assessed late fees.
- 7. Public comments: none
- 8. **Operator's permits**: 6 applications; 2 for Red Barn, 4 for Team Oil. Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve licenses; motion carried
- 9. Town Hall request: Ranger Power requested use of the Town Hall on Wednesday, June 26<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-8:00 pm for an open house and informational meeting about the solar array they are building in Gilman with a question and answer period on June; motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve; motion carried
- 10. **Dump Days**: It was decided at the Annual Meeting that Gilman will continue hosting Spring Big Dumpster Days on May 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> this year
- 11. **WTA Meeting**: Mike and Phil attending the WI Towns Assoc. district meeting and shared what they learned including a suggestion that all towns confirm that they are covered by insurance in case of collapsing roofs.
- 12. **890<sup>th</sup> Ave**. project update: We are running ads seeking bids in the Sun Argus and Pierce County Herald for the month of April and will meet to open bids on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 pm
- 13. **Road report**: 32 loads so far this year of salt/sand. Weight limit signs are up and Dewey expects they may be up longer this year. He has been out with the new patcher this year and is happy with the performance of the new machine. The county is out doing bridge inspections for the year as well. Timm Oil will be sending a check for the old fuel tank we replaced this year. The Annual Road Tour will take place April 23<sup>rd</sup> with results being shared at the next meeting
- **14. Chair's report:** Phil has received the legal paperwork from Loberg Law regarding the Violet's View resolution. He also gave the nuisance dog owner information to the clerk so those residents will receive a registered letter including a copy of the animal ordinance with

registration information and fines highlighted. WTA will hold workshops in May. Phil thanked Dennis Sorenson for his 2 years on the board. He is stepping down due to health reasons and Bill Emerson was elected to take his place. The Oath of Office was recited by all board members and the clerk and treasurer, and all signed the oath paperwork. The new Board is as follows:

Chair: Phil Verges Supervisor I: Mike Traynor Supervisor II: Bill Emerson Treasurer: Luann Emerson Clerk: Becky Manley

Agenda items for May: 890<sup>th</sup> project, Road Tour report, dog update

**15.** Adjourn: motion by Mike 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to adjourn; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:36 pm

# Town of Gilman Annual Meeting Minutes April 16, 2019

- Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Phil Verges. Present at meeting: Chair Phil Verges, Supervisors Mike Traynor & Dennis Sorenson, Treasurer Luann Emerson & Clerk Becky Manley. Also attending: Tom Peterson, Andrea & Michael Wieland, Mike Traynor, Tony Huppert, Bill Emerson
- 2. The Pledge of Allegiance is recited
- 3. The Minutes from the 2018 meeting were available to all and read aloud by the clerk. The electors are welcome to ask questions.
- 4. The 2019 Financial Report is available to all present and is reviewed. The floor is opened to questions. Tom Peterson asks if the federal government gives funding for elections. They do not. Each area pays for their own elections. Motion by Mike to approve the Financial Report, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Andrea; motion approved.
- 5. The 2020 Annual Meeting is proposed for April 21, 2020. Motion to approve 2020 meeting by Andrea, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis; motion approved
- 6. The 2019 Road Report is presented by the Chair, including a list of project completed and items on the to-do list for the upcoming year. The annual road tour has not been completed yet due to the weather, but it will be detailed at the next regular meeting.
- 7. Motion by Tony, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to continue using Westconsin Credit Union as the official depository and 1<sup>st</sup> Bank of Baldwin to continue housing the Equipment Fund. Motion carried.
- 8. Motion to continue using the Sun Argus in the capacity of official paper for all meeting and legal notices by Tony, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill; motion approved.
- 9. The issue of whether or not to continue Big Dumpster Days is discussed. It will be voted on at the next regular meeting. Mike commented on the rising cost of recycling. Andrea makes a motion to give the clerk and treasurer a 2% raise as they have not received one since 2014. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike, motion carried.
- 10. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tony; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:33

# Town of Gilman Monthly Meeting Minutes Wednesday, March 13, 2019

- 1. Meeting called to order by Chair Verges at 7:00 pm
- 2. **Roll call**: Chair Verges, Supervisor Traynor and Clerk Manley. Supervisor Sorenson & Treasurer Emerson were unable to be present. Also attending: Tony Huppert, Tom Peterson, Ed Hanson, Sarah Washkuhn, Ryan Washkuhn, Jim Bateman, Ross Christopherson & Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag is recited
- 4. **Minutes**: motion by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve minutes of 2/13/19 meeting; motion approved
- 5. **Bills**: motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve the bills as presented; motion approved
- 6. Treasurer's report: Clerk Becky Manley read the report completed by Treasurer Emerson. Beginning balance: \$666,256.90 income: \$193,215.08 expense: \$529,590.54 ending balance: \$329,881.44 including \$259,518.30 available and \$70,363.14 in savings. Only 99 of the 203 dogs registered last year have been registered this year, so Luann is expecting a rush this month. She will have a detailed tax report ready for the April meeting
- 7. **Public comments**: Tony Huppert asked about an incident that occurred during a blizzard in February. Chair Verges said he would talk more about this during the Chair's Report
- 8. Operator's permits: none
- 9. Violet's View: We have secured the signatures on quit claim deeds by 2 homeowners who technically still owned a portion of 776<sup>th</sup> Ave privately. The Board wants to get this portion of the resolution completed while they wait to vacate the small bump out still in dispute. Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve the petition requesting dedication of town road and resolution accepting the same. Motion carried
- 10. **Tank**: Timm Oil proposed buying back the old fuel tank for \$800. Motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to accept the proposal; motion carried
- 11. **Hanson CSM**: motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve the Certified Survey Map of the Ed Hanson property as recommended by the Plan Commission; motion approved
- 12. **Roads**: Our Patrolman has been working an enormous amount of overtime keeping the roads plowed during the last few weeks of repeated blizzards. Residents have called him requesting he tow them out of ditches after they lost control. This is not a service the town provides. Dewey anticipates the weight limit signs going up next week as the roads begin to thaw. Phil is working on a bid form for the 890<sup>th</sup> project and expects at ad to be ready for publishing at the end of the month
- 13. **Chair's report**: The Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>. Phil spoke with a resident who complained repeatedly about a neighbor's loose dog. The owners were sent a registered letter detailing the animal ordinance and it appears they have taken steps to restrain their animal. Mike shared the latest Emergency Services information, and the Fire Dept. is getting new suits and extraction equipment which is being partially paid for by a private donation. The Ambulance Dept has 5 new members and they need 2 new monitors for the ambulances. Phil gave additional information about the ambulance/blizzard incident. Phil would like to see all parties sit down and come up with a solution for situations like this. Agenda items for April: WTA

District Meeting report, any Annual Meeting prep, if any; dog license update, 890<sup>th</sup> project. Motion by Mike to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm

#### Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes February 13, 2019

- 1. Meeting called to order by Chair Verges at 7:00 pm
- 2. **Roll call**: Chair Verges, Supervisor Traynor, Treasurer Emerson and Clerk Manley. Supervisor Sorenson was unable to be present. Also attending: Bill Emerson, Tom Peterson, Andrea Wieland & Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag is recited
- 4. **Minutes**: motion by Phil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve minutes of 1/9/19 meeting; motion approved
- 5. **Bills**: motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve the bills with the addition of the Timm Oil invoice; motion approved
- 6. Treasurer's report: Beginning balance: \$152,864.25 income: \$972,610.23 expenses: \$459,217.58 ending balance: \$666,256.90 including \$70,331.88 in available funds and \$595,925.02 in savings. January tax settlements to the schools and county are done and February settlements to be completed this week
- 7. Public Comments: none
- 8. **Operator's permits:** motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to approve 2 for Team Oil; motion carried
- 9. **Fuel tank:** Timm Oil would like to buy back the old fuel tank for \$800. This is more than would be possible if it was brought to Smith Sales for auction
- 10. **Roads:** Dewey has been plowing and sanding a great deal with all the snow this winter. Luann questioned the availability of salt/sand this winter as she has heard the county is running low. Dewey will speak to someone about this. The board has heard very little complaining about the speed of plowing roads this year, but residents are hoping to have Dewey plow them out or sand their drives. This service is available at Dewey's discretion when he has completed the town roads
- 11. Chair's report: Phil & Mike would like to attend the WTA district meeting in Eau Claire in March. Luann will complete the registration form and send in the check. Phil shared a letter from the county regarding required Supervisor training by the drug and alcohol consortium. Mike will attend this training session and be the contact person in case something happens. A letter was sent to a resident about a nuisance dog running free along with a copy of the animal ordinance. The Violet's View situation is still in flux. The previous resolution accepting the road as a town road is null and void because a landowner now refuses to sign the paperwork so Gilman can vacate the cul-de-sac. The Board will continue to work with our attorney to complete this project
- 12. Audit: The Board chose 12 random invoices or deposits from the Clerk's files and checked them against the Treasurer's records. No discrepancies were found
- 13. **Adjourn:** motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil to adjourn; motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:14 pm

#### Town of Gilman Monthly Board Meeting Minutes January 9, 2019

- 1. Meeting called to order by Chair Verges at 7:00 pm
- Roll call: Chair Verges, Supervisors Sorenson & Traynor, Treasurer Emerson and Clerk Manley. Also attending: Bill Emerson, Ryan Bauer, Tom Jenkins, Eric Turner, Tony Huppert, Tom Peterson, Andrea Wieland & Dewey Anderson
- 3. Pledge to the flag is recited
- 4. **Minutes**: motion by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike to approve minutes of 12/12/18 meeting; motion approved
- 5. **Bills**: motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to approve the bills with the addition of the Timm Oil invoice; motion approved
- 6. Treasurer's report: Beginning balance: \$197,840.17 income: \$1401.85 expenses: \$46,380.77 ending: \$152,864.25 including \$82,566.94 in available funds and \$70,297.31 in savings. January settlements were paid to the schools after the December collections were deposited, both of which will be reflected in the February report
- 7. **Public comments**, non-agenda: Tony Huppert expressed his concern about students walking on Highway CC and shared an email he sent to the state. He asked for support for a pedestrian bridge from the high school to the walking trail on Highway 29 so students can safely cross the road to and from school. The Board supports his request. Ryan Bauer asked about permits for the Red Barn as Randy Thom is considering tearing down part of the building and replacing it with mini storage units. Mr Bauer was referred to the county for zoning laws.
- 8. Operator's permits: none
- 9. **Rural Mutual**: Tom Jenkins detailed changes and coverage in the town policy.
- Dogs: motion by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis to amend the animal control resolution to update language to make it clear how many dogs a resident may own without a kennel license and to name Dunn County Humane Society as our new contact for runaway or stray dogs; motion carried
- 11. **890**<sup>th</sup> Avenue: Phil & Dewey met with a county official regarding the 890<sup>th</sup> project and learned that we need to bid out the job. This will happen in the spring.
- 12. **Roads**: not much plowing this year, but a lot of salt/sand. We now have a used, empty fuel tank left over from the new storage tank project in the parking lot. The board will explore options for getting this tank sold. Thanks to Tony Huppert for the wall calendar!
- 13. **Chair's report**: Still waiting on a signature from one of the parties involved in the discontinuance of a portion of the road in Violet's View. The DOT has set the General Transportation Aids and ours does not include the newly accepted road yet. Caucus is set for January 21<sup>st</sup>. Agenda items for February: fuel tank disposal. Motion to adjourn by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis, motion carried; meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm