

Town of Washington

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Minutes

Town Board Meeting: Wednesday July 6, 2016

Present: Jim Spring – Chairman; Keith Numrich –Supervisor, Steve Burr– Supervisor, Lanae Slizewski – Treasurer, Michele Sanborn– Clerk. There were also (7) other people in attendance.

1. **Call to order 6:00 pm**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Recited by all
3. **Approval of the agenda to be discussed in any order at the discretion of the Chairman:**
Motion Burr to approve the agenda to be discussed in any order, seconded Numrich, all voting aye, approved.
4. **Approval of the previous minutes:** Motion Burr to approve minutes from June 6th, seconded Numrich, all voting aye, approved.
5. **Town Foreman Report:** Paul reported that the town crew finished the first round of cutting, made gravel, hauled clay, worked on storm clean up, fixed up the last half of Columbus Rd and put riprap on Highland Drive to help with the wash outs.
6. **Approval of liquor, beer and wine licenses for Catch 22 LLC for period 7/6/16 thru 6/30/17:** Captain Nemo's has sold with closing date set for later in July. Dawn and Allan Siems are the new owners of Catch 22 LLC. Application for liquor license has been received. Dawn Siems has applied as the agent of Catch 22 LLC. Motion Numrich to approve Dawn as agent for Catch 22 LLC second Burr, motion Burr to approve the liquor license for Catch 22 LLC, second Numrich, all voting aye, both motions approved.
7. **Approval of Operator Licenses:** Clerk stated that all applicants have completed an application, paid their fees and local background checks have been done. Motion Numrich to approve operator licenses for Jodie Ciran, Karen Beyersdorf and Amy Jo Young, seconded Burr, all voting aye, approved.
8. **Approval of Variance for Milt Faurie 1825 Eagle Park Ln:** Spring has spoken with the owner and inspected the jobsite. Milt is looking to build a metal storage building and needs a variance of 50' from center of road to the edge of the building, Motion Numrich to approve the variance of 50' from center of road, seconded Burr, all voting aye, approved.
9. **Discussion/Approval of Conditional Use Permit for Bed & Breakfast at 1432 Everett Rd:** Discussion was held. Burr stated that he has issues with the business being run from a private residence. Feels the house was not built for the functioning of a bed and breakfast. Numrich feels he would like to hear from the neighbors on their feeling of running a bed and breakfast in a residential neighborhood. Board agrees that the decision should be based solely on the neighbor's wishes if they are fine with it the board would be in support of the bed and breakfast. If the neighbors are not in favor

then board would be against it. Clerk to follow up with Vilas County.

- 10. Discussion on TRIP Funds:** Keith said there was a mistake in the timing of a meeting that would possibly affect eligibility for towns to collect any available trip funds. This will not affect the Town of Washington as we are not currently up for TRIP funds this year. The county is trying to apply for funding through other available avenues.
- 11. Discussion on South Military Rd:** Another fatality occurred on south Military Rd early part of June. Accident occurred just past the anvil lake hiking trail on the straight stretch. Spring contacted the Federal Forest Service as the town was recently denied grant funding to help fix Military road. The town would be in support of taking out the S curve in the road. Currently there are no residents on the town's portion of south military. 9 accidents, 4 fatalities are on record. State has a safety grant program available now with applications due by August 15th. Federal forest service agent would like the town to see if they can get the state to help fund the road. Grant writing is an extensive process with well over 20 hours into writing a grant. Federal grants will re-open in October. If the town could get the state to help fund the project the federal government may be more willing to approve the work to be done. Approximate cost is \$750,000 with the town holding 20% of the costs. Board was in support of contacting the State for possible grant funding.
- 12. Public Comments:**
- a. Holly Tomlanovich talked regarding temporary maps for ATV routes showing preferred routes.
 - b. Holly Tomlanovich asked if there would be movement on the town's part for a wild fire prevention committee. Board is in support of working up an assessment in the Town. Carole will work with Diane Anderson to develop such a plan.
 - c. Discussion on the parcel that the fire department is interested in. Numrich thinks the board should consider giving the property to the fire department. Town will contact the town's attorney to find out best way to work with the fire department on developing station 2.
 - d. Steve Linn questioned the liquor license for Catch 22 LLC, would that mean the Pirates Hideaway would be out of the chance to get a liquor license. Spring stated the license was properly held by Captain Nemo's at the time the business was sold.
 - e. Ken Anderson wanted to thank the town for getting the ATV ordinance posted on the website and would like the board to consider posting the rest of the ordinances on as well.
 - f. Adopt a Highway picnic will be held on August 20th as long as we can get volunteers to organize the picnic. Time to be determined but considering 1 pm start time.
- 13. Approval of Bills:** Motion Numrich to approve bills, seconded Burr, all voting aye, approved.
- 14. Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned 7:10 pm

Michele Sanborn- Clerk
Approved: _____