Ashippun Town Board Meeting October 9, 2014

Chairman Steven Panozzo called the monthly Town of Ashippun board meeting to order on Thursday, October 9, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Ashippun Town Hall. Pledge to the flag was recited.

Clerk Michelle Liesener verified that meeting notices were properly given and posted at the Town Hall, the Recycling Center, the Ashippun Post Office, emailed to the Watertown Daily Times, the Oconomowoc Focus, WTTN radio and on the official website of the Town of Ashippun.

Roll call was taken with Chairman Steven Panozzo, Supervisor Norman Greeb, Supervisor William Bremer, Supervisor James Meyer and Clerk/Treasurer Michelle Liesener as being present. Supervisor Ryan Jacobs was absent.

Approval of Town Board meeting minutes from the town board meeting on September 11, 2014. Supervisor Meyer moved and Chairman Panozzo seconded to approve the meeting minutes. All in favor and motion carried.

Public Input: Mitch Hertneky called Associated Bank to ask them to clean up around the old bank building. The building is still for sale and the price has been dropped. Mitch also stated the old Ashippun Rec building is for sale as it is listed on the MLS listings. Ed Martin asked if the garbage sitting on the side of the old bank building could be picked up. Tom Jordens stated item 10 A on the agenda is a lot of money and he is not in favor of item 10 M.

Police Report ó Officer Schultz reported on the activities for the month of September.

Fire Department Report ó Supervisor Meyer gave the Fire Dept report for Chief Eske. There were 6 EMS and 5 Fire calls for the month of September. There were 91 kindergarteners from Meadow View school who toured the station today. On October 19th the Fire Dept will host a pancake breakfast and open house from 10 am to 12 pm.

Clerk/Treasurerøs report and presentation of bills. Clerk Liesener gave the Treasurerøs report for September. Deposits, disbursements, and interest for the month were reported. Chairman Panozzo moved and Supervisor Greeb seconded to approve the September Treasurer's report. All in favor and motion carried. Chairman Panozzo moved and Supervisor Bremer seconded to approve the October bills to be paid. Three checks were explained. All in favor and motion carried.

Building Inspector's Reportó Inspections were read by Chairman Panozzo.

Highway Department Report ó Preparing trucks for winter. Will be cutting/trimming trees along the roadsides. The mower tractor is in for warranty work. Working with the tire manufacturer on replacing the tires on the mower tractor as they are bald and only have 200 hours on them.

Parks, Recreation & Visionary ó Nothing new to report.

Town chairman/supervisors reports ó Supervisor Greeb reported Dodge County might not be providing bridge inspections starting in 2016. Supervisor Meyer stated the Town needs to look into the Implement of Husbandry. Chairman Panozzo reported the Indian Summer event went well.

Planning Commission minutes of the meeting held on October 2, 2014 were read by Clerk Liesener. Unfinished Business: No old business to discuss.

New Business: Discussion and possible approval to award the construction contract for the Jefferson Road culvert replacement project to Wondra Construction Inc. in the amount of \$76,148. Chairman Panozzo moved and Supervisor Meyer seconded to reject all bids for the Jefferson Road culvert replacement project. Discussion followed. All in favor and motion carried.

Discussion and possible approval for a picnic beer license and picnic wine license for St. Olaf's Lutheran Church Four Guys in Dinner Jackets event on November 1, 2014. Chairman Panozzo moved and Supervisor Bremer seconded to approve the picnic beer license and picnic wine license. All in favor and motion carried.

Discussion and possible approval of New Operator's License through June 30, 2015 for LeAnn L. Wiebelhaus, Trackside. Supervisor Meyer moved and Supervisor Bremer seconded to approve the new operator's license through June 30, 2015. All in favor and motion carried.

Discussion and possible approval of Class A Retail License for the sale of fermented malt beverages and intoxicating liquor to Himmet Dhillon for Station 67, LLC at N649 State Road 67, Ashippun. Legal fees the Town of Ashippun incurred with a request from Station 67 LLC to have the liquor license approved at an earlier date will be charged back to Station 67 LLC. Himmet Dhillon has agreed to pay for the legal fees. Chairman Panozzo moved and Supervisor Greeb seconded to approve the Class A Retail License for the sale of fermented malt beverages and intoxicating liquor to Himmet Dhillon for Station 67 LLC at N649 State Road 67, Ashippun. All in favor and motion carried.

Discussion and possible approval of appointment of Aryllis Petersen as deputy clerk/treasurer at an hourly wage of \$10/hr. Chairman Panozzo moved and Supervisor Meyer seconded to appoint Aryllis Petersen as deputy clerk/treasurer at an hourly wage of \$10/hr. All in favor and motion carried.

Discussion and possible approval of the 2015 contract for the town's appraiser, Grota Appraisals, LLC. Chairman Panozzo moved and Supervisor Bremer seconded to hold this item over to the November meeting. Discussion followed. All in favor and motion carried.

Discussion and possible approval to have the chairman sign the Dodge County 911 Joint Powers agreement. Supervisor Meyer moved and Supervisor Bremer seconded having the chairman sign the Dodge County 911 Joint Powers agreement. All in favor and motion carried.

Discussion and possible approval to have the chairman sign the Conditional Use Permit for Peter Graetz, creation of 2 non-farm residential lots on Roosevelt Rd, PIN# 00-0917-2911-000. Chairman Panozzo moved and Supervisor Greeb seconded having the chairman sign the Conditional Use Permit for Peter Graetz. All in favor and motion carried.

Discussion only on Halloween trick or treating on Saturday October 25, 2014 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. The Town of Ashippun has set the Halloween trick or treat date and time to coordinate with the City of Oconomowoc as it has been done in the past.

Discussion and possible approval of engineering expenses for Washington Rd bridge replacement east of Hwy P. Supervisor Meyer moved and Supervisor Bremer seconded to hold this item over to the November meeting. Discussion followed. All in favor and motion carried.

Discussion and possible approval of Resolution #2014-006 to transfer \$35,000 from the General Savings account to the General Checking account for the purpose of further payment of the purchase of the new tractor. In 2012 a resolution was approve to move \$35,000 from the general checking account to the general savings account for the purchase of new equipment. Resolution #2014-006 is to move the money back to the general checking account. Chairman Panozzo moved and Supervisor Bremer seconded to approve Resolution #2014-006 to transfer \$35,000 from the General Savings account to the General Checking account for the purchase of the new tractor. Voice vote: Chairman Panozzo-aye; Supervisor Greeb-aye; Supervisor Bremer-aye; Supervisor Meyer-aye. All in favor and motion carried.

Discussion and possible approval to re-issue tax refund check to Paul Falteisek in the amount of \$188.61. Chairman Panozzo moved and Supervisor Meyer seconded to approve to re-issue tax refund check to Paul Falteisek in the amount of \$188.61. All in favor and motion carried.

Discussion only on possible loan in the amount of \$500,000 for road projects in 2015. Chairman Panozzo explained the impact of Act 10 on the town with the limit of increasing the levy. During the budget process the board discussed the poor condition of roads, bridges and culverts and determined a loan in the amount of \$750,000 would be needed. During the upcoming budget workshop meetings the town board will discuss the possibility of taking out a loan.

Correspondence by Chairman or Supervisors: Chairman Panozzo received a compliment for the highway department. Received a call from a resident about stray cats. The Town of Ashippun does not have an ordinance for cats. Supervisor Meyer stated the Town needs to protect its roads with the Implement of Husbandry. Supervisor Bremer stated the Town needs to take care of the roads.

Public Input: Syl Hoerth asked about the warranty work with the new tractor. Ton Jordens stated the bridge aid received should be put towards payment of a loan.

Announcements: Chairman Panozzo reviewed the calendar items. Fall Clean Up on October 11th. Budget preparation meetings on October 14th at 5:00 pm and October 22nd at 6:00 pm. WTA meeting in Juneau at 7:30 pm. NRA budget meeting on October 23rd at 7:30 pm. Wisconsin Towns Convention October 26-28. General Election on November 4th from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm. Plan Commission meeting on November 6th at 7:30 pm. Town Board meeting on November 13th at 7:00 pm.

Chairman Panozzo moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 pm. Supervisor Meyer seconded the motion. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Michelle Liesener, Clerk