Ashippun Town Board Meeting March 12, 2009

Chairman James Schoenike called the monthly Town of Ashippun board meeting to order on Thursday, March 12, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Ashippun Town Hall. Pledge to the flag was given.

The clerk verified that meeting notices were properly given. Roll call was taken with Chairman James Schoenike, Supervisor David Wendorf, Supervisor Roger Kopfer and Clerk/Treasurer Vickie Schlieve as all being present.

Approval of minutes from February 12, 2009 Town Board meeting – Supervisor Kopfer moved to accept the minutes as printed. Seconded by Supervisor Wendorf. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Input – Will Oschmann commented on the repaired light on the town hall sign. He stated that Dodge County highway has not put up reflectors or lights at the corner of Hickory Hills and County Road O. Ryan Jacobs agreed that there should be lights or reflectors at the intersection. Jim Franke representing the Ashippun Lions announced the upcoming Ashippun Candidate Forum on March 30th at 7:00 pm for those on the April 7th Spring Election ballot.

Police Report – Officer Ryan Borchardt gave the monthly police report. He announced that a grant was received from the Beaver Dam Hospital for a second defib unit, which will be in the other Neosho/Rubicon/Ashippun police car. It was brought to the police officers attention about two different incidents where vehicles are driving through town access or open property and tearing up turf. Residents are asked to call the police or sheriffs department to report this destruction. Supervisor Wendorf asked if there was an ordinance regarding people not picking up after their dogs on sidewalks

Clerk Schlieve read the Treasurer's report for February. Motion by Supervisor Wendorf to accept the Treasurer's report as read. Seconded by Supervisor Kopfer. All in favor. Motion carried. Clerk Schlieve read the list of bills presented for payment. Motion by Supervisor Kopfer to pay the bills. Seconded by Supervisor Wendorf . All in favor. Motion carried.

Don Christopherson, Building Inspector – The report for February was given. Four inspections were made and two permits were issued in February.

Larry Krier, Highway Department – The roads are dry currently, with much ice and snow this month. New signs were put on Harding Road for the high water. Brushing on Lincoln Road is progressing. Supervisor Wendorf had questions on the General Transportation received from the State of Wisconsin. Federal Stimulus dollars are for Federal roads, which our town does not have. Any bridge replacement projects would need to be "shovel ready" to get those funds. There may be some state stimulus funds available. Supervisor Wendorf reported that Ledge Road needs to be brushed back. Supervisor Wendorf needed clarification on the cable service at the town shop.

The March Planning Commission meeting was cancelled due to having no business to discuss. Supervisor Wendorf expressed his frustration with the Planning Committee.

Unfinished Business: none

New Business: Discussion and possible approval to contract with LifeQuest for City of Oconomowoc EMS collection services. Supervisor Kopfer moved to layover the discussion and approval of this item until the April meeting. Seconded by Supervisor Wendorf. All in favor to layover. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible approval to change April Town Board meeting to April 16, 2009. Due to the date of the Annual Meeting, the monthly meeting should come after the Annual Meeting. Supervisor Wendorf moved to change the Town Board meeting to April 16th. Seconded by Supervisor Wendorf. All in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible approval to appoint Vickie Schlieve as clerk/treasurer of the Town of Ashippun for a term not to exceed three years, effective April 14, 2009. Supervisor Wendorf moved and Supervisor Kopfer seconded to approve Vickie Schlieve as Town clerk/treasurer. All in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible approval to appoint 2010 Census "Complete Count Committee". Supervisor Kopfer moved to appoint Edward Martin and Michelle Liesener to the Complete Count Committee. Seconded by Supervisor Wendorf. All in favor. Carried.

Discussion of destruction of Town property. Chairman Schoenike reminded people to report any destructive activity to the police departments.

Correspondence: Chairman Schoenike reported that he and Ernie Borchardt met with Bertrand Wireless to discuss the possibility of extending their services to our town. He stated that there is a possibility of putting a tower on a silo for their antennae. More information will be coming. Clerk Schlieve reported that the Open Book is on May 13th from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm and Board of Review is June 3rd from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. The Comprehensive Plan for Waukesha County is available for viewing in the clerk's office. The expense sheets for the town board should be turned in by April 1st to the clerk.

Supervisor Wendorf conveyed that he had called Senator Kohl and Feingolds offices last week. Supervisor Kopfer reported that he has spoken to Gail Gephart at the Ashippun Post Office and budgeting for the new building has been approved and construction will be beginning soon.

Public Input: Will Oschmann asked if destruction of public property more severe than private property. Syl Hoerth asked about the new internet service being investigated by Bertrand Wireless. Ray Zuercher asked if there was any more from the WI DNR regarding Davy Creek. A letter will be written and another meeting will be held to continue the work on Davy Creek. Steve Payne from the Stone Bank Sportsmen's Club gave information on upcoming activities for the club. Tom Jordens asked if there would be a reassessment this year. Chairman Schoenike stated that it would probably be in 2011 or 2012. Jim Franke reported that the City of New Berlin voted not to stay within the prevailing wage rate for roadwork, etc. in the city. Chairman Schoenike explained that to receive TRIP road funds we would need to pay the workers the prevailing wage rate.

Clerk Schlieve reminded everyone about the upcoming election to be on April 7th with the polls open from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm.

Supervisor Kopfer moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Supervisor Wendorf seconded the motion. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

The next Ashippun town board regular meeting will be held on Thursday, April 16, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. The Town of Ashippun Annual Meeting was noted on the agenda and will be held on April 14, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie Schlieve, Clerk