Ashippun Town Board Meeting January 10, 2008

Chairman James Schoenike called the monthly Town of Ashippun board meeting to order on Thursday, January 10, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. 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 December 13, 2007 Town Board meeting – Supervisor Kopfer moved to accept the minutes as printed. Seconded by Supervisor Wendorf. All in favor. Motion carried.

Guest Speaker, Ed Bavouset, United States Postal Service Real Estate Contractor, spoke regarding the possibility of expanding space at the existing post office in Ashippun. The department is also looking into relocating the facility or construction of new space. Further studies are being done to help in the decision of which way to proceed. Public input is welcome. Bill Bremer asked if the old boxes could be donated to the Ashippun Historical Society when the post office moves. Vickie Schlieve asked if space for the new post office would accommodate rural route delivery needs in the future. Jim Schlieve asked if the post office would need to remain on State Highway 67. Don Kehl felt that traffic on State Highway 67 was dangerous when going into the post office. David Wendorf asked if the current post office is handicapped accessible.

Guest Speaker, Brian Pfitzinger, candidate for Circuit Court Judge, who is running for the Branch #1 seat that Judge Klossner will retire from in the April 1st election. Brian spoke on his philosophy and how he handles cases. Brian's law firm has handled traffic fines for the Town of Ashippun for 17 years.

Public Input – Bill Bremer would like to see the old post office boxes in the Ashippun History Committee displays. Norm Greeb asked what the schedule was for snow plowing on Town Road MM. Jim Schlieve spoke on behalf of the Recreation Committee and he pointed out that he has a bid for replacing the playground equipment at Community Park on Wood Street. Don Kehl asked about snowplowing routes.

Police Report – Chief Linzenmeyer gave the monthly report. The Chief thanked the residents in the community for their support last year.

Clerk Schlieve read the Treasurer's report for December. Motion by Supervisor Wendorf to accept 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 December was given.

Larry Krier, Highway Department – Larry was not present tonight for a report. Chairman Schoenike reported that the snowplowing continues.

Clerk Schlieve read the Planning Commission meeting minutes from January 3, 2008. The minutes were accepted as read.

Discussion and possible approval of new Operator's Licenses to June 30, 2008. Supervisor Kopfer moved to approve the operator's licenses for Stanley D. Johnson for the Ashippun Station. Motion seconded by Supervisor Wendorf. All in favor. Motion carried. Mr. Johnson paid the appropriate fees and was given his Operator's License.

Unfinished Business: Discussion on forming a Drainage District in the Davy Creek area. A meeting with the volunteers that will be canvassing for the Drainage District petition is going to be held in the next week or so. No date or time is set at this time.

Discussion on Dodge County Board of Adjustment Public Hearing for variance to terms of the Zoning provisions of the Dodge County Land Use Code to allow replacement and reconstruction of an accessory garage roof – Brent Campbell & Lori Schlosser at W2809 LaFollette Road. Mr. Campbell was in attendance and explained his renovations to the garage, which at this time have halted. The County talked about Mr. Campbell signing a Variance Agreement, that he would agree to tear down the garage if

the road was ever widened. Before this was done, the County recommended that Mr. Campbell appear before the Ashippun Town Board for recommendations. Supervisor Wendorf made a motion that the town reports favorably to Dodge County for Mr. Campbell's request and that he continue his construction of the garage. Supervisor Kopfer seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried. A letter will go to Dodge County on the town's recommendation.

New Business: Discussion and possible approval to recommend to Dodge County a Conditional Use Permit under the Land Use Code of Dodge County to allow construction of a self-service storage facility on Lot 1, Willow Creek subdivision – Ken Herro, agent presented his plan for the 6 phase building plan. Supervisor Kopfer spoke against the plan and does not want to see storage units on the lot. Supervisor Wendorf also spoke against the plan. Supervisor Kopfer moved to deny the Herro proposal. Seconded by Supervisor Wendorf, All in favor. Motion to deny carried.

Discussion and possible approval to have the chairman sign the CSM for Peter Graetz, N677 Hoover Road. Supervisor Wendorf moved to have the Chairman sign the CSM. Seconded by Supervisor Kopfer. All in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible approval of Letter of Intent for a 2-acre split from a 30-acre agricultural parcel at N2189 County Rd EE – John Rettler, agent for George Hanson, landowner. John Rettler appeared before the board and explained that he has farmed that parcel for 10 years. Supervisor Kopfer moved to have the Chairman sign the Letter of Intent. Supervisor Wendorf seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible approval to have the Chairman sign the CSM for Chad Smithyman, N1821 Resthaven Road – Chad explained that this has previously been approved at the town. Supervisor Wendorf moved to have the Chairman sign the CSM. Supervisor Kopfer seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried and the Chairman will sign the CSM.

Discussion and possible recommendation to approve compliance with the Land Use Code of Dodge County to settle their father's estate – Barb Daniels and Donald Miller, W2797 County Road MM. Dodge County Land Resources sent Ms. Daniels and Mr. Miller a letter stating that they were in violation of the Subdivision provisions of the Land Use Code and stated that they would need to obtain the required approvals to become compliant. The Ashippun Plan Commission will need to discuss this at their February meeting. Supervisor Wendorf moved to send a letter to Dodge County in favor of this matter and support the residents in this situation. Seconded by Supervisor Kopfer. All in favor. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Clerk Schlieve reported that she will be collecting taxes on Saturday, January 26th from 9:00 am to 11:30 am. Preliminary work on the 2010 Census is beginning. WisLine training opportunities were announced. Willow Creek Homeowners Association will meet at the town hall tomorrow evening. There are two desks for sale that are no longer being used in the clerk's office.

Supervisor Wendorf has a packet from the American Transmission Company regarding power lines in the area.

Public Input: Don Kehl asked about the Willow Creek Homeowners Association's meeting and if it was open to the public. Norm Greeb commented on the Daniels/Miller situation and how the County should consider this as being complete. Gerald Thieme spoke in favor of the denial of the Herro proposal for the storage buildings. He also asked if the county could over-ride the town's denial of this project. Terri Krenzelok from the Willow Creek subdivision supported the board's decision in the storage building denial. Mitch Hertneky also supported the town's denial of the storage building proposal. He also questioned the possibility of having more staff for snowplowing.

Supervisor Kopfer moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Supervisor Wendorf seconded the motion. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

The next Ashippun town board regular meeting will be held on Thurs., Feb. 14, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie Schlieve, Clerk