

Town Of Oconomowoc

Board of Supervisors Special Meeting

July 16, 2008

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance:

Chairman Hultquist called the meeting to order at 7:34 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Chairman Hultquist, Supervisors John Roelandts, Janis Husak, and John Koepke. Also present were Administrator/Planner Jeff Herrmann, and Clerk/Treasurer Terry Leaman. Supervisor Wiemer was absent and excused.

There were no residents in attendance.

2. Public Comments on Agenda Items: None

3. Consider and Act on Funding for Westshore Subdivision and Crystal Lake clean-up.

Administrator Herrmann is meeting with FEMA in the afternoon to get their assistance in pumping Crystal Lake and the ponds in Westshore Subdivision. It appears that the Federal Government will cover 80% of the cost; the State of Wisconsin cover 15% and the Town Of Oconomowoc cover the remaining 5%. The estimate is for approximately \$30,000.00 for each pumping project. It is the intention of the Town that the costs for Westshore Subdivision pumping will be charged to the developer.

Chairman Hultquist mentioned that Crystal Lake problem was created by the City of Oconomowoc and it is their problem. The Town shouldn't have to pay.

Administrator Herrmann said the Town will be organizing the pumping and the City feels that it is a Town problem. The Town will be pumping into Rosenow Creek. Resident Connie Holzmilller has been flooded 20-30 days and has sustained approximately \$50,000.00 in damages. Apparently when the Lakewood Estates Subdivision was created there was no outflow planned.

Supervisor Husak made a motion to approve the funding for the pumping of Crystal Lake up to a maximum of \$1,000.00. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Roelandts. The motion carried unanimously.

Administrator Herrmann mentioned that the water in the ponds in the Westshore Subdivision has been tested. The regulation states that a maximum of 200 colonies of *E. coli* are acceptable in the water. The water tested was at 3 colonies of *E. coli*. The water from the ponds is planned to be pumped into Okauchee Lake. The Okauchee Lake Management District has approved the pumping of the water.

Administrator Herrmann indicated that the Town has to look at a long term solution to the Westshore flooding problem. With the recent flooding the water had to bypass the lift station. The Town is paying for the additional costs of the flooding. It appears that this is an engineering/developer problem. Waukesha County is responsible for overseeing the Engineers on projects such as this.

Supervisor Husak made a motion to approve the funding for the pumping of the ponds in the Westshore Subdivision adding that the Town of Oconomowoc should bill the developer for the costs. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Koepke. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Consider and Act on Joint Grant Application with the Village of Lac La Belle.

The Village of Lac La Belle, the Lac La Belle Management District, Waukesha County, and the Town of Oconomowoc will be entering into a joint grant application to improve the water quality of Lac La Belle. The Runyard farm is being cooperative by agreeing to enlarge their retention pond.

Supervisor Roelandts made a motion that the Town Of Oconomowoc should participate in the Joint Grant Application for Lac La Belle. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Husak.

Supervisor Koepke questioned if this was a matching grant. Administrator Herrmann indicated that he's hoping it's going to be 100% funding. He will let the Board know the costs.

The motion carried unanimously.

5. Consider and Act on Date for the Utility Board Meeting.

The date for the Utility Board Meeting will be scheduled for Monday, August 4, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. prior to the regularly scheduled Board meeting.

6. Discussion on 2009 Budget.

Administrator Herrmann led the discussion on the budget process. He and Chairman Hultquist met with Dan Vliet on 7/15/08 to discuss the police contract. The Town is going to be limited to a 2% increase for 2009. If salaries exceed that amount then cuts have to be made elsewhere in the budget. Health care premiums might be an area to cut.

Administrator Herrmann encouraged the Board Supervisors to go through the 2008 budget to see what they would recommend for salaries for all positions that are not covered by a union contract. The salary increases that are given will dictate the budget.

Mr. Herrmann indicated that the Town will have to refinance a \$3,000,000.00 note in 2009. This was a General Obligation note and can be used anywhere. This might give us an opportunity to add funds for road work. The Town is trying to get the Road P, Gietzen Drive, and South Shore Drive repairs to be covered through FEMA.

Supervisor Husak mentioned that the Town should look at the licensing fees to see if they could be raised.

Supervisor Koepke said that the Town needs to begin charging for delivery of chips and mulch. If someone wants to pick up the landscaping materials they can do so at no charge. \$25.00 a load would be a modest delivery charge.

Administrator Herrmann felt that the Town could save about \$100,000.00 with a change in Health Insurance carriers. He also recommends that the police and highway unions participate in the insurance with a percentage of premium instead of a flat dollar amount.

Supervisor Husak asked if the Town could save a lot of paper by e-mailing reports and agendas instead of producing all the copies.

Supervisor Koepke mentioned that the Town could possibly save some money on fuel costs by using futures and options. The fuel company might place a tank on the property and the Town might get a reduction in those costs. This could be done for the Highway vehicles and the Police squads.

Administrator Herrmann asked the Board if they would want Virchow Krause to come to the August 4th meeting to discuss the 2007 audit. The Board agreed.

Closed Session

A motion was made by Supervisor Husak, seconded by Supervisor Roelandts, to enter, by roll call vote, into Closed Session, pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(c) considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility and pursuant to State Statute 19.82 to engage in Union negotiations.

Roll call vote:

Supervisor Koepke:	Yes
Supervisor Wiemer:	Absent
Chairman Hultquist:	Yes
Supervisor Husak:	Yes
Supervisor Roelandts:	Yes

The motion carried unanimously.

7. Adjourn

Following the closed session the Board reconvened the meeting. A motion was made by Supervisor Roelandts to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Husak. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:44 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry A. Leaman
Clerk/Treasurer