

MINUTES
TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2010
TOWN OF CHASE ANNUAL MEETING
CHASE COMMUNITY HALL

TOWN BOARD PRESENT: Gary VanLannen Chairman; Dennis Kroll Supervisor; Steve Gohr Supervisor; Jolene Schwarm Treasurer; Tammy Willems Deputy Clerk;

TOWN BOARD ABSENT: Jeanne Wroblewski Clerk;

OTHERS PRESENT: 30 Local Citizens

1. Call to Order
Gary VanLannen called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was recited.
2. Approval of Minutes
Motion by Scott VanDenHeuvel/Jack Schwartz to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2009 annual meeting was called and carried.
3. 2009 Financial Report
Jolene Schwarm read the financial report detailing the revenues and expenditures for the Town of Chase. Motion by Sam Wesolowski/Larry Hilbert to accept the financial report was called and carried.
4. Town Updates
Gary VanLannen reported that Ahlswede Road will be resurfaced this spring. It was accepted as part of the TRIP program and the town should be reimbursed roughly \$12,000. Several other roads are in rough shape coming into this spring. The town hall has been painted and new blinds have been installed. A new permanent exterior sign will be put up in the next few months replacing the existing portable one. Discussion was held on the town ordinance signs being replaced with welcome signs and an informal vote was taken and 22 would like to see welcome signs. Motion by Larry Hilbert/Mike Schwarm to remove existing ordinance signs and replace them with welcome signs was called and carried.
5. N.E.W Para-Medic Rescue Report
Tim, a representative for Gold Cross reported on the 2009 N.E.W operational and fiscal summary. The average response time for Chase was 8:30 minutes, which is below the national average for a rural setting. There are currently 4 first responders from the Town of Chase. There were a total of 448 calls of which 55 calls were to Chase (41 emergency, 11 non-emergency, 2 standby fire, 1 mutual aid). There was an operating loss of \$8,895.00 because of run volume this year.
6. Stone Barn Updates
Kris Kolkowski reported on the Stone Barn Project. The estimated restorations for the barn are roughly \$430,000. The town received a grant from the Jeffers Foundation and may receive \$143,000 if \$287,000 can be raised by June 30, 2012. The town also received a State grant and may receive \$100,000 if \$300,000 can be raised. In-kind donations apply to both grants. \$67,000 has been pledged/raised so far. Several fundraising campaigns are currently in process. The Stone Barn has been featured in several publications and news outlets. The site and master plan have been completed. Permits for the driveway and parking lot are in process. An archeology survey was started and will continue into spring. Maintenance on the barn roof is in process to remove all nails and replace them with screws. Gary VanLannen reported on several public safety uses for the site that are also being considered. A land area for a helicopter pad, a fire hydrant, and an emergency fallout shelter were possibilities. There may be grant money available for some of these things. The Town Board and Local Planning Commission would need to approve these uses.
7. DNR Guest Speaker
Bruce Urben a representative of the Air and Waste program and also town resident

spoke on the Waste and Material Management Program. Bruce explained several key areas of the program including new and existing landfills, monitoring landfills, setting standards for handling waste, recycling administration, hazardous waste programs (currently none in WI), development of landfill sites (ex. development of the Chase Town Park on the old landfill site), air discharge impacts, open burning, particulates/air, spills and emergency response. Bruce also explained the importance of the open burning restrictions. He also explained the Brownfields Program and left materials for review.

8. Pulaski Tri-County Fire Department Report

Randy Wichlacz gave the 2009 report for the fire department. There are a total of 11,816 people in the service area. The operating cost for the town was \$31,941.59. The total runs in 2009 were 102 with 10 to the Town of Chase. A new/used 85 ft. platform ladder truck and 9 sets of turnout gear were purchased. A R.I.T. team was formed. The department also joined the Eastern Shawano County R.I.T team and Brown County MABAS division. Randy said residents should continue to call the non-emergency fire numbers when doing burning because it saves on unnecessary fire calls and charges. He also mentioned that there were no budget increases for 2010.

9. Open Floor

Motion by Larry Hilbert/Mike Schwarm to change the starting time of the monthly board and annual meetings from 8:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. effective May 2010 (with bill review at 7:00 p.m.) was called and carried.

10. Adjournment

Motion by Sam Wesolowski/ Mike Schwarm to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 p.m. was called and carried.

Tammy Willems, Deputy Clerk, Recorder