

Town of Greenfield, La Crosse County Wisconsin
Annual Meeting Minutes April 22, 2014

Chairman Steve Mader called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisor Rhonda Helgeson was present. Tom Jacobs was excused. Clerk Lois Meinking and Treasurer Leuck were present.

Minutes of Annual Meeting April 16, 2013 were read into the record by the clerk. Dennis Gerke made a motion to approve. Barry Nelson seconded the motion. Motion passed. The clerk read the annual report for 2013. Laurie Harmon made a motion to approve the report. Dennis Gerke seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Chief Mike Kemp gave the report for the Town of Shelby Fire Department which included that volunteers train twice a month along with special trainings. They will be at the Dairy Breakfast at the Servais Farm in June this year.

Chairman Mader gave the equipment report. Consideration was discussed for setting aside money for a replacement plow. Consideration for a paint striping machine for spot striping roads was discussed after visiting with residents about needs. The town will need a plow (new box) and could sell the old truck. When the road crew is busy the county is called to assist. Ron Lamkin made a motion to set aside funds for a new plow/truck with single axle \$15,000 a year for 3 years. Ernie Komperud seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Town continues to look for used pick-up truck as it could be used to pull lawn mower, Bobcat, install signage, etc.

The road report and planned expenditures for 2014 were reported by Chairman Mader and discussed. Chairman Mader shared the road report. Brandon Wright volunteered with the road inspection because of his background in engineering, pavement and geo technical. Several roads were discussed. There was discussion of Schams Ave which was repaired in 2012. Water wash is one concern on the south side to CTY M. Rip rap was discussed. Elizabeth Way water wash and 10 ft. drop was discussed. However the collar is not separating anymore. Consider ways to slow velocity of water. There will be no guard rails or posts on Strittmater Road because there is no room to put the snow. Although work needs to be done at first turn. Other roads were discussed including Beier Road. The road split the property in two. The culvert problems will be checked out by the road crew next week. Clements Road was discussed (4 buses) enter each school day. St. Joseph Ridge and mobile home court will be swept this year. Ron Lamkin made a motion to set the direct road repair budget at \$90,000. Barry Nelson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Safety & evacuation plan was requested for each meeting to know where to go in weather/other emergencies.

Old Town Hall was discussed and photos shared of bricks falling off. Due to deterioration the insurance company will not cover the building. Discussion took place to raze the Old Town Hall at the intersection of CTY RD M and NN and consider placing a designation at the hall site. The Town would keep the date stone, town sign, and may be able to salvage and create a monument.

Voting on Old Town Hall

1. Shall the Town of Greenfield, La Crosse County take down & remove the Old Town Hall?

26 yes 2 No

2. Shall the Town of Greenfield, La Crosse County seek bids to repair the Old Town Hall

2 Yes 26 No

The electorate decided to remove it as soon as possible as it is deemed and refused by insurer and is a liability risk. Ron Clark made a motion to remove the Old Town Hall building and salvage bricks, stone plaques, and anything of historical value including a photo history. Chuck Sans Crainte seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Park report was given. The shelter may be rented via The Ridge Restaurant and thanks to Lions Club for their work maintaining the park.

Recycling center tags have been in use since February. They may be purchased at the center, from the treasurer, or at the hall for \$5. Recycling comingled and single stream information will be presented and further discussed at a meeting this spring.

Other business included recycling expenses & income; a question about recycle tags & purpose as non-town property owners have used the site and will be monitored; cost of removal of old town hall was discussed; how to salvage bricks, sell them and have pallets available; Contact will be made about demolishing it ASAP.

Nov. 11, 2014 budget hearing & Levy

Annual Meeting set April 21, 2015

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Barry Nelson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dorothy Lamkin seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 8:58 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Meinking, Clerk
Town of Greenfield