

TOWN of ROCK
Board Meeting
March 12, 2015, 7:30pm
Town of Rock Hall

The meeting was **Called to Order** by Cole Pankratz, chairman.

The **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag** was recited.

Board Members Present: Cole Pankratz; David Cattanach; Jason Beier; Mark Katzenberger; Elmer Berry, Treasurer; Jill Wrensch, Clerk

Members of the Public Present: Frank Pankratz, Harry & Lisa Wallis, Jeff Meinders

The **Minutes** of the last meeting were read. Dave Cattanach moved to accept the minutes as presented; Mark Katzenberger seconded the motion; motion carried.

The **Treasurer's Report** was given by Elmer Berry, Treasurer. The CD for contingency funds is due and after some discussion it will be renewed again for six months. Elmer was wondering how much money the Board would like him to move into the road fund CD for 2015 projects; Mark Katzenberger moved to transfer \$125,000 into the road fund CD for 2015 road construction; Jason Beier seconded the motion; motion carried. Mark Katzenberger moved to accept the treasurer's report as given; Dave Cattanach seconded the motion; motion carried.

The **Constable's Report** was given by Jeff Meinders, on behalf of Bob Reed. Bob received one call from a resident about a dog, but by the time he went to pick it up, the owners had come to get it.

The **Planning Commission Report** was given by Harry Wallis. He is continuing to work on integrating all of his materials from various years to arrive at one good, clean copy of the zoning code for the Town – there are some inconsistencies between versions and he is comparing them all to determine what is current and accurate. In zoning news, there are currently two houses going up and another one in the works.

Cole Pankratz mentioned that Ron Schueller wants to build a shop and machine shed some day, but the power company would require him to get another fire number because they only allow two services per residence and this would be a third. He wanted Cole to see what the Board's thoughts were. There was some discussion about the matter, but no real consensus without further information. Harry indicated he would call Ron and meet with him about it.

The **Fire Department Report** was given by Jeff Meinders, Fire Chief. The Fire Department secretary was removed as motioned at last month's meeting and someone new will be appointed. There was some discussion of the various attempts to retrieve prior year's information and that continues to be an ongoing matter.

Jeff indicated that the fire danger was already moderate due to current weather conditions. He has not taken any of the Department's equipment to class yet, as it's been too cold. There are a couple of items from the Department that he plans to take pictures of to put for sale by the Town. He placed an order and received items for the DNR 50/50 grant, but there was no bill yet, so payment will have to wait until next month – the paperwork is due April 15th. Jeff also mentioned a new “keep the forest green” campaign (similar to the wintertime “keep the wreath green” campaign). There is an evergreen tree to display that he would like to place in front of the flag pole and bushes.

New Business: There was discussion of bids to put out for the 2015 season. The items to bid are lawn mowing for the cemetery, dust control, decomposed granite and ditch mowing. The ad is to use the same wording as prior year and sealed bids will be opened at 8:00 p.m. at next month's meeting on April 9th.

There was some discussion of possible agenda topics for the annual meeting, including the dead end of Lincoln Avenue issue, bridge inspection and the possibility of assessment responsibility being removed from the Town level.

Old Business: Weight limit signs will be put up Monday and Harry Wallis volunteered to help. The county is posting theirs tomorrow.

Correspondence: Various items were passed around for review and discussion.

The **Accounts Payable** was examined by the board. Mark Katzenberger moved to certify the bills for payment; Dave Cattanach seconded the motion; motion carried.

Adjournment: Jason Beier moved to adjourn the meeting; Mark Katzenberger seconded the motion; motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill Wensch, Town Clerk
Next Meeting: Thursday, April 9, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.