

TOWN OF COTTAGE GROVE  
TOWN BOARD MEETING  
NOVEMBER 16, 2015

I. ADMINISTRATIVE

- A. Notice of the meeting was posted at Town Hall, the park at 4539 American Way, Gaston Road at Brown Thrush and US Hwy 12 & 18 at County Road BN, and on the Town's web site. Town Chair Kris Hampton, Supervisors Mike Fonger, Steve Anders, Kristi Williams and Mike DuPlayee were present, along with clerk Kim Banigan, Treasurer Debra Abel, Highway Superintendent Jeff Smith and Deputy Jennifer Grafton.
- B. Hampton called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
- C. Minutes of previous meeting(s): **MOTION** by Williams/DuPlayee to approve the minutes of the Town Board meeting held on November 2, 2015 as printed. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**
- D. Finance Report and Approval of Bills:
  1. **MOTION** by DuPlayee/Anders to approve payment of bills corresponding to checks #24139-24190 as presented. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**
  2. The Treasurer asked that November per diem reports be submitted by December 4<sup>th</sup>.
- E. Public Concerns:
  1. Andrew Grob updated the board on his Eagle Scout project at Sr. Airman Dan Johnson Memorial Park. Since the park name on the plaque is too small to be seen from the road, Pechmann Memorials is suggesting that the name also be carved into the benches. There was consensus to go with this plan.
  2. Wayne Wollin, 4489 Ridge Road, said that farmers need help removing debris from the Koshonong Creek to alleviate flooding of their lands. Consensus was to contact the DNR to find out if they are willing to do the clearing or if they will allow the Town to do it. It was noted that inmates had been used to clear debris in the past.
- F. Road Right of Way Permits: None

II. BUSINESS:

- A. Discuss/Consider reducing the speed limit on the portion of Ridge Road between County Road BB and I-94: Mark Olejniczak, 1796 Strawberry Road, presented a petition signed by 18 residents on Ridge and Strawberry Roads and Meadowview Lane requesting that the speed limit on this stretch of Ridge Road be reduced to 45 m.p.h. An attachment to the petition showed that a recent truck vs. deer accident on Ridge Road resulted in 75 foot skid marks and the truck traveling 55 feet off the roadway. The Clerk had acquired accident reports for the past five years from both Dane County and the Cottage Grove Police Departments.
  - Olejniczak stated that there is precedence for this change in similar action taken for speed limits on other portions of Ridge Road, along with West Ridge and Vilas Hope Roads. He further stated that roads with 55 m.p.h. speed limits typically have wider traffic lanes, shoulders and ditches.
  - Anders questioned the traffic volume on Ridge Road compared to other roads where the speed limit has been dropped.
  - Carol Livingston, 4246 Ridge Road, said that she does not feel safe when backing their travel trailer onto Ridge Road due to the speed at which cars come over the hill to the north. She also has concerns for the small children at a neighboring property, and does not feel safe walking along Ridge Road. She said there are two issues: Speeders and safety.

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- Wayne Wollin 4489 Ridge Road, and Silvin Kurt, 4498 Ridge Road, both stated they are long time residents of Ridge Road and see no reason to reduce the speed limit.
- Dave Muehl, 1682 County Road BB and owner of a property on Ridge Road, offered the idea of suggested speed limit signs as an alternative way to slow down traffic.
- Dane County Deputy Highway Commissioner Pam Dunphy has advised Smith that before the Town can reduce the speed limit, an engineering study and traffic count must be performed, which cannot be done until the Spring at a cost of \$500-\$1,000, which some towns have been charging to the petitioners.
- Deputy Grafton suggested that the deputies increase their presence on Ridge Road so they can make a recommendation to the Town Board.

**MOTION** by Anders/DuPlayee to table the subject until after a traffic study can be done next April, and in the meantime direct our contract deputies to keep a closer eye on the area and report back to the board. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

- B. Discuss/Consider approval of a Certified Survey Map for Kurt Dairy land swap on Ridge Road: The Clerk distributed a CSM revised today to address conditional approval by the County. **MOTION** by Anders/Williams to approve the CSM identified as Office Map 150236 dated November 16, 2015. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**
- C. Review October Police Activities: The monthly report showed 185 citations and 239 calls. Deputy Grafton reported that speeding and OWI citations are up, and noted that some drug related traffic stops do not show up on our report until the next month as they have to be hand written. Anders expressed thanks for the good work by Deputy Biwer and another unnamed Deputy over the weekend protecting his son, a paramedic with Deer-Grove EMS, when a patient became combative. His comments lead to more praise from board members for the good job our contract deputies are doing for us, and confirmation of what a good decision it was to contract with the Sheriff's office for police services.
- D. Discuss/Consider adoption of a Resolution Designating Public Depositories: Hampton read the resolution, and stated that the reason for it is to add Monona State Bank. **MOTION** by DuPlayee/Williams to adopt the resolution as read. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0.** This will be Town Board Resolution 2015-06.
- E. Discuss/Consider approval of a 60 month lease contract for a Savin MP C2003 copier: **MOTION** by DuPlayee/Williams to approve the 60 month lease contract as presented. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**
- F. Update on TRIP funding for 2016: Hampton reported that the Town has been awarded \$15,388 to be used toward 2016 paving projects.

III. CLERK'S REPORT: Today Attorney Anderson emailed a draft of a notice to the owners of 2842 Gaston Road regarding violations of TCG Ord. 11.09, which she intends to send tomorrow.

IV. BOARD REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Hampton:

1. The 2016-20 Transportation Improvement Program for the Madison Metropolitan Area and Dane County is available in the Town Office.
2. Recent legislation allows the Town web site to be considered as a legal posting location for notice, and reduces the number of other posting locations from three to one. The board will consider where to post future notices at their December 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.

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3. He has concerns over the Board's decision to not follow manufacturer recommendations regarding the base for the new play structure to be put at the Cedar Knolls park. There was no interest in reconsidering at this point, but maybe in the Spring.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Emergency Government Committee: DuPlayee reported that the committee is preparing for a tabletop demonstration in January or February.

VI. Adjournment: **MOTION** by DuPlayee/Williams to adjourn. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0.** The meeting ended at 8:05 P.M.

Kim Banigan, Clerk  
Approved 12-07-2015

# TOWN OF COTTAGE GROVE

4058 County Road N  
COTTAGE GROVE, WISCONSIN 53527

## RESOLUTION 2015-04 RESOLUTION DESIGNATING PUBLIC DEPOSITORIES

BE IT RESOLVED until further action by the Town Board:

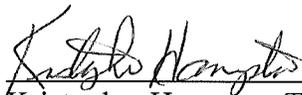
1. That all prior resolutions by the Town of Cottage Grove designating depositories for the public funds are hereby canceled and withdrawn.
2. Pursuant to Section 34.05, Wis. Stats., the following institutions, all qualified as public depositories under Chapter 34 of the Wisconsin Statutes, shall be and are hereby designated, as public depositories for all public moneys coming into the hands of the Treasurer of the Town of Cottage Grove, Dane County, Wisconsin.
  - a. Monona State Bank, 341 W. Cottage Grove Road, Cottage Grove, Wisconsin, 53527;
  - b. Bank of Sun Prairie, 419 West Cottage Grove Rd., Cottage Grove, Wisconsin, 53527;
  - c. Wisconsin Bank & Trust, 580 N. Main Street, Cottage Grove, Wisconsin, 53527;
  - d. The local government pooled-investment fund, administered by the Wisconsin State Treasurer's Office, at whatever address it may use from time to time.

The town clerk shall properly post or publish this resolution as required under s. 60.80, Wis. stats., within 30 days of the below noted adoption date.

The above resolution was duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Cottage on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2015, by a vote of 5 for, 0 against and 0 abstain.

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ATTEST:

  
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Kristopher Hampton, Town Chair

  
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Kim Banigan, Town Clerk