



Land of the Free – Home of the Brave

MINUTES OF TOWN OF HULL ANNUAL MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY APRIL 21, 2015

Call to order at 6 p.m. by Chairperson John Holdridge at the Hull Municipal Building, 4550 Wojcik Memorial Drive, Stevens Point, WI 54482.

Oath of Office for officials elected 4/7/15. Clerk Janet Wolle, was given oath of office by Chairperson Holdridge the morning of 04/21/15.

Oath of office given by Clerk Wolle to: John Holdridge, Board Chairperson
David Pederson, Board Supervisor
Janet Way, Board Supervisor
James Kruziki, Treasurer

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes of 2014 Annual Meeting

Motion Phil Janowski, second Trudy Pederson, **approve the minutes of the 2014 Annual Meeting held on April 15, 2014.**

Aye – 12

Nay – 0

Motion carried.

Reports:

Road Foreman – Pete Kaminski

- Thank you to the board for purchase of new plow truck
- Plowed 12 times the winter season of 2014-15 vs. 22 times (2013-14)
- 200 tons of salt left over from last year
- Have to get 50 ton (seasonal fill) – if company stores for Hull it is \$5 a ton or \$250 a month.
 - o We can store outside for a month until blacktop is down and cured.
- The week of April 27 brush pick-up starts.
- Road projects for 2015 (chip seal)
 - o Wojcik Memorial Dr & Willow Springs to Pioneer
 - o Casimir Road to St. Casimir Church

- North Reserve – north end to Dewey Line
- Firkus Road
- Hay Meadow Lane
- Maple Bluff Road
- Duncan Drive
- Highland Drive
- Blacktop 1500' Granite Ridge Road north from Sawmill going east – new blacktop needed around corners. (4" lift)
- Old Highway 18 will be striped this year
- Checking brush piles – so far none exceeding length/height restriction

Jim Kruziki expressed concern about striping Old Highway 18. Without the striping traffic is going slower. Does Hull have policy as to why some roads are striped and other not? The section of Old Highway 18 in Hull was striped but the section in the city is not striped.

J Holdridge – board needs to get to city re striping of their portion of the road.

P Kaminski – state law does not require striping unless there are 3,000 + vehicles a day.

J Kruziki – with the center stripe there people go faster.

Fire Chief – Mark Kluck (not present) Report presented by John Holdridge

HULL FIRE DEPT – 2014 FIRE RUN REPORT ----- 78 total calls

METRO VEHICLE CRASH TOTALS = 20

METRO CRASH in ST PT = 6 / METRO CRASH in VILLAGE OF PLOVER = 1 /

METRO CRASH in HULL = 13

Of the above 20 METRO CRASHS - HFD was ISS (In Station Stand-by) 1 time to STPT / PLV.

Of the above 20 METRO CRASH CALLS - HFD was cancelled 5 times while en-route to STPT / PLV

METRO STRUCTURE FIRE TOTALS - 36

METRO STRUCTURE FIRE in ST PT = 19 /METRO STRUCTURE FIRE in VILLAGE OF PLOVER = 10

METRO STRUCTURE FIRE in HULL = 7 of which 4 had MABAS from other area Departments come in.

Of the above 36 METRO STRUCTURE FIRE – HFD was ISS (In Station Stand-by) 15 times to; STPT / PLV

Of the above 36 METRO STRUCTURE FIRE - HFD WAS cancelled 9 times while en-route to STPT / PLV.

METRO GRASS – 3 In HULL- 2 In STPT - 1 METRO ICE RESCUE In HULL-1

HULL CO CALLS – 5

HULL OTHER – 6

HULL VEHICLE FIRE – 1

HULL WEATHER RELATED - 2

MABAS to ROSHOLT STRUCTURE – 1

MABAS to ROSHOLT – CRASH RESCUE – 1

MABAS to TOWN PLOVER STRUCTURE – 1

MABAS to DEWEY - CRASH RESCUE – 1

It needs also to be noted there continues to be issues with the Portage County Communication Center dispatching incorrectly. Dispatching Metro for non-metro incidents as well as not dispatching Metro for Metro incidents. This is an ongoing issue we continue to work with the Sheriff's Dept on.

Mark Kluck

EMS – Mark Fritsche (not present) Report presented by John Holdridge

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2014 EMS Runs – 153

- 71 (42%) Medical related calls
- 37 (22%) Trauma related calls
- 12 (7%) Motor Vehicle Accidents
- 13 (8%) Heart / Stroke related calls
- 17 (10%) Lift Assists.
- 6 (4%) Cancelled before arrival

Call Volume – Busiest months: Dec -19, Jun-18, Aug-17

Slowest month: Jul-7

Response times:

Time to go in Service:

Same minute as page – 29 (19%)

1 minute – 65 (42%)

2 minutes – 28 (18%) Total in 2 minutes (80%)

3 minutes – 16 (11%) Total in 3 minutes (91%)

>3 minutes - 15 calls (9%)

Arrival compared to Medic Unit:

64 times before Med unit (45%)

40 times in same minute as Med Unit (28%) Total (73%)

39 times after the Med Unit (27%)

Current Members

9 EMT's (Emergency Medical Technicians)

1 EMR's (Emergency Medical Responder)

7 members are FF and EMS

3 members are EMS only

EMR's 70 hours of training and must maintain 12 hours of Continuing Education every year.
EMT's 180 hours of training and must maintain 48 hours of Continuing Education every 2 years.

Both classifications now need National Registry Exam and Practical testing to obtain Certification, as well as Care Provider CPR.

In 2013 Portage County has implemented an improved credentialing process. Background check, Drug testing, new skills check off, and orientation items.

Treasurer – Jim Kruziki

- Hull is in good financial position
- Dog licenses-during 2014 there were 585 dogs licensed by the town at total fees received of \$5,683 of which \$3,972 was Portage County's share, and \$1,712 Town of Hull share. Animal control cost paid to the Human Society of Portage County was \$13,855.
- Total debt balance from long-term financing for the Town was \$1,148,059 on 12/31/14. Annual debt payments of \$120,058.69 remain for the next three years to be paid in full by 9/30/2017; plus building addition debt payments of \$50,495.20 remain for the next 15 years. A loan in the amount of \$215,000 for the purchase of road equipment was authorized in December with funds drawn in January 2015; loan term is 5 years with annual payments of \$46,414.

On August 5, 2013 a Special Meeting of the town electors was held at which they authorized the Town Board of Supervisors to borrow up to \$600,000 to construct an addition on the existing Town Hall. The Board of Supervisors approved issuance of a Promissory Note to the Portage County Bank in the amount of \$600,000 at 3.2% per annum payable in equal installments of \$50,495.20 for a period of 15 years.

- Town funds as of 12/31/2014:

Designated funds	\$686,760
Operating funds	<u>178,565</u>
Total funds available	\$865,325
- Please see the 2014 Annual Report for more detailed information.

Pie chart shows Hull Tax Dollar:

- Stevens Point Public Schools – 48%
- Portage County – 30%
- Town of Hull – 16%
- Mid-State Tech College – 5%
- State of Wisconsin – 1%

Where the money comes from:

- Property taxes – 56%
- Financing – 18%
- State of Wisconsin – 16%
- Licenses – 5%

- Intergovernmental – 3%
- Other – 2%

Where your tax dollar goes:

- Roads – 24%
- Capital outlay – 23%
- General Government – 17%
- Garbage/Recycle – 13%
- Debt service – 10%
- Fire Dept – 7%
- Other – 6%

Assessor – Jeremy Kurtzweil (not present) Report presented by John Holdridge

- The Joint Committee on Finance removed the county-wide assessment from the state budget
 - o If brought up again it will be in a separate bill.
- D Pederson – the county-wide assessment would be a very costly change for taxpayers
 - o Revaluation would be done yearly.

Good evening to the Board and Residents of the Town of Hull!

As always, if you have any questions or concerns please contact me to make sure they are addressed!

Now for the status and changes for the Town of Hull

Current Equalized value is: \$406,361,700 (an increase of over \$25 million from 2014)

Current level of assessment is: 90.68% – the only class out of compliance with the State is residential at 89.5%.

2014 building permits issued by the county per their listing was 41 permits.

2014 saw 7 permits for new houses with the average market value being \$228,600

The average sales price was \$185,000 for 2014 sales. (an increase of \$30,000 from 2013)

That concludes the state of where things sit for assessing, as with 2013, it was another good year for the Town!

Jeremy Kurtzweil, Assessor
Town of Hull

Building Inspector – Phil Deffenbaugh (not present) Report presented by John Holdridge

2014 – 7 building permits

2013 – 15 permits

2012 – 11 permits

2011 – 4 permits

Weight Limit – Barb Brilowski

Effective October 1, 2007, the Town of Hull has a Weight Limit Ordinance in place. All roads in the Town of Hull are Class B roads. Simply, this means any vehicle with an axle weighting more than 12,000# is required to obtain a permit from the Town of Hull to travel Hull roads.

From Oct. 1, 2007 to December 21, 2008 1,091 permits were issued.
From January 1 to December 31, 2009, 1,081 permits were issued.
From January 1 to December 31, 2010 791 permits were issued.
From January 1 to December 31, 2011 1,004 permits were issued.
From January 1 to December 31, 2012 1,280 permits were issued.
From January 1 to December 31, 2013 1,073 permits were issued.
From January 1 to December 31, 2014 1,025 permits were issued.

In 2013, the Town of Hull collected \$1,800.00 for road damage.
In 2014, the Town of Hull collected \$0.00 for road damage.

- Work with 200 different vendors.
- Town of Dewey temporary weight limits are still on.
- Portage County temporary weight limit still on County Road X.
- Hull temporary weight limits off as of April 20 with the exception of west of I-39.
- 6 or 7 log jobs in Hull – no damage to roads.
- State became involved in permitting agricultural vehicles.
 - o Farmers must get permits from state, county and local.
 - o Hull has 1 major farmer.
 - o Gave a permit to cover all vehicles – have 1 person to go to if damage is found.
- Think state will make some changes to the IOH next year as many do not understand it.

Park Committee – Dave Wilz

- ‡ Town of Hull has 10 properties that are designated as parks. 8 properties have typical playground equipment and fields to play in. They are: Meadow Manor, Somerset, Jordan Acres, Sorenson, Eastwood, Pleasant View East, Pleasant View West, and Conifer Acres.

2 properties are classified as conservancies. They are Treder's Woodland and Plover Heights conservancy.
- ‡ We have just finished up an almost decade plan to revitalize the playgrounds with new equipment. We now will be going back through to refurbish older equipment and to keep the parks looking fresh and new. We are also developing a parks survey to see who and how the parks are being used. Hopefully, the survey results will better help us set the directions for parks in the future.
- ‡ The town has a very active Park's Commission with 7 Hull residents serving as advisory to the town board on all areas of Park operations such as, maintenance, equipment, safety, grounds, signage and budget.
- ‡ The annual budget for all parks is \$22,046. All park maintenance and equipment repair is done by our part time parks employee and he does an exception job.
- ‡ We stay in touch with our counterparts in the City of Stevens Point and Portage County to stay abreast of new techniques, safety concerns and purchasing programs.

Fran Fulton – live next to park on Audrey's Lane. Always see children playing there and some adults go in with their lunch.

D Wilz – the budget now is maintenance. Etc.

- Some areas have exercise equipment for the older people (mom/dad when watching kids play)
- F Fulton – have seen houses with books in, would like to see that in Hull.

D Wilz – a volunteer active committee has put up the houses and provided the books.

Plan Commission – John Holdridge

- 7 member Plan Commission which started in 2001.
- Currently redoing the comprehensive plan.
 - o There is a chapter on finance which will include Hull's 5 year plan.
 - o A new chapter on water will be added.
- Portage County Planning and Zoning have lost their planners. Steve Kunst went to the Town of Rib Mountain. Ray Schmidt has retired. Sarah Wallace moved to Green Bay.

Remodeling of Municipal Building (Town Hall) – John Holdridge

- Meeting Tuesday April 28 to receive contracts for work in Community Room.
- Conditional approval letter received from the State of Wisconsin.

Salaries for Elected Officials

John Holdridge feels the board as a whole should receive increase in salary at the same time. The board works at least 20 hours a month in meetings.

Motion John Holdridge, the board receives a 3% increase in wage in April 2017. Second Matt Meis.

Aye – 12

No Vote – 1

Motion carried.

Year End Review:

Water Study implementation – John Holdridge

- A Hull Water Committee was created
 - o Goal is to develop a monitoring system for water in Hull
 - o Need to know quantity and quality issues in Hull
- May be an effort to ban gas stations in wellhead areas following the leak at The Store on Badger Avenue.

Public Safety implementation – John Holdridge

- Dave Wilz and John started a public safety plan with aspects of a public safety plan regarding bikers/walkers/joggers conflict with vehicles.

Management Review – John Holdridge

- Board needs to come up with objectives relating to a management plan.

- John feels business model showing effectiveness is place to start.
- Transparency and openness is important.
- Village of Plover has a full-time administrator.
- Will be in touch with municipalities in urban areas.

Other – John Holdridge

Yard Waste Disposal Site

- Started with restricted hours on April 2, 2015.
- The site is for Hull residents only,
- Have had people from Stevens Point, Village of Park Ridge and Town of Sharon stop to drop their yard waste – they are not permitted to use Hull’s site.
- Hours now are:
 - Monday’s and Thursday’s 2:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
 - Saturday’s 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Emails received from residents please with the change in hours.
- Ken Wierzba is Hull’s yard waste site attendant – he asks for proof of residency.

Need for better security camera.

Need for large motion light.

527 Maple Bluff Road

- Owner brought in cars and antagonized neighbors
- Went to Portage County Planning & Zoning Committee and got no where
- Hull board received petitions from citizens relating to 527 Maple Bluff and is using Hull’s Public Nuisance Ordinance to pursue the law suit.
 - Court trial on September 16, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.

Somers land off of Willow Springs – Somers will not clear cut the land.

Well #11

- At point of identifying what could happen if well goes from 5 to 13 million gallons a day
- Attorney Gary Dreier is representing 33 households who have lost water.
- Hoping Hull will come out with press release relating to city hydrologist report.
- Relationship with Stevens Point will hopefully change.

Additional Comments, Suggestions, etc

Phil Janowski:

- Commend the road crew on jobs well done year round.
- Relating to the Highway 10 reroute, hope the board will draft a resolution supporting the southern route – take the resolution to Wood and Marathon counties.

Motion Phil Janowski, Town of Hull residents support the southern Highway 10 by-pass route to I-39 from mile marker 156 to County Road HH and Porter Road to reconnect at mile marker 237 (Lake Road) on the existing Highway 10. Second by Joe Wierzba.

Aye – 12
Nay – 0
Motion carried.

Adjournment to April 19, 2016. Motion Phil Janowski to adjourn the Annual Meeting to April 19, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. Second by Fran Fulton.

Aye – 12
Nay – 0
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Janet Wolle, Clerk