

**TOWN OF SALEM BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
MONDAY, JULY 19, 2010 9:00 A.M.  
SALEM TOWN HALL  
9814 ANTIOCH ROAD, SALEM, WI**

Chairman Valentine called this meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. with the following present:  
Linda Valentine, Pat O’Connell, Diann Tesar, Joe Meier, Pat Casey, Mike Murdock, Mike Slover,  
Richard Scholze, and Cindi Ernest.  
Supervisor Dennis Faber was absent.

**Guests:** Deneen Smith, Carl Siegel, Jim Valentine, Gail Peckler – Dziki, Bob Brown, Carol Husnick,  
Darren Hillock, and Jackie Ciesla.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Valentine.

**OPEN MEETING COMPLIANCE CHECK**

The agenda was posted by 3:00 p.m. on Friday, July 16, 2010 at the Salem Town Hall Municipal Building, Salem Post Office, Camp Lake Post Office, Wilmot Post Office, and the Trevor Post Office. It was also posted on the Town’s website.

**AGENDA SEQUENCE CHANGE**

Chairman Valentine requested that item #12 be moved to after Citizens Comments.

**CITIZENS COMMENTS**

Resident Gail Peckler – Dziki questioned why we are discussing becoming a village given the costs and the economy at this time. Becoming a village costs a lot of money which nobody has. She suggested that the board pursue boundary agreements which would protect our borders. She also voiced displeasure with the time of this meeting. Residents, including her husband who has a job and would like to have attended this meeting. Discussion of turning this town into a village is a very important thing and this meeting should have been scheduled at a time when many people could attend.

**12.)** The Heath property on CTH “AH” and 256th Avenue is being considered for some changes from the last plan presented to the board.

Mike Hart, an owner of the property, contacted Bob Brown who does rehabs on buildings of this age. He has done historical restorations in Elgin and Dundee, IL.

Mr. Brown gave his background as a contractor (Advanced Roofing Systems. He has done historical restorations in Elgin and Dundee, IL. He said Mr. Hart needs to tell him what he wants because he understands there is a timeline on this. He questioned the board as to what they want. He has done a proposal for Mr. Hart for the roof.

Administrator Casey clarified the concept of what the board requested from the previous meeting which included the roof fixed and the outside presentable and look like it is in livable condition, including paint.

**Jack Rowland arrived at 9:14 a.m.**

Further discussion followed regarding the project conditions, the proposal, needed licenses and contract.

MOTION BY Supervisor Meier, second by Supervisor O'Connell to extend the required completion date to November 15, 2010 for the Heath house and the legal owners must sign the contract and obtain all necessary licenses and permits.

UNANIMOUS VOTE – AYE

MOTION CARRIED

**7.)** The Town Board worked on a referendum statement to investigate the costs of incorporation of the Town of Salem to a village.

Supervisor O'Connell expressed concerns about the costs involved and that village tax rates are high and non binding referendum.

Supervisor Meier also expressed concerns about the costs.

Supervisor Tesar would like to see a non-binding referendum.

The consensus of the board for the referendum statement was as follows:

This is a non-binding Referendum for advisory purposes only.

The question: Shall the Town Board of Salem begin exploration and gather information pertaining to the process of incorporation as a village?

A Yes vote will allow the Town Board of Salem to proceed with investigating the process of incorporation as a village and establish a time table to determine if it is in the Town's best interest to begin the incorporation process as a village.

A No vote will instruct the Town Board of Salem to not proceed with the investigation process of incorporation as a village at this time.

There was further discussion of village incorporation, urban and charter towns' status, and boundary agreements.

**8.)** The 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Budget/Actual report will be brought back with the old chart of accounts removed.

**9.)** The preliminary 2011 Town of Salem Budget is being worked on and we should be up to full staffing tomorrow. Administrator Casey will email with a date when complete.

**10.)** Job descriptions are in draft form only and are being worked on as priorities allow.

**11.)** An update was given on the well and water treatment structure. The well is good and the tested water report will be back in approximately two (2) weeks. We are hoping for a two (2) inch line from the well to the building and then we will determine how to support the fire protection for the building.

**8.)** Chairman Valentine questioned further items on the quarterly budget report including an

entry of \$17,000,000 entered four times, street paving not being used, what is \$17,915 on P. 9 Capital Projects, on P. 15 Neighborhood Plan \$18,000 in expenses not budgeted, P. 19 YTD expenses of \$27,000 for Water Patrol and water patrol reimbursements, \$600 in Board of Review Budget, principle for Highway/Fire \$10,560,000, Misc. Capital Projects revenue YTD \$14,000, undefined codes where the budget is \$1,030,000 and fund balance transfer from Fire Dept. Fund, P. 4 undefined codes for Passive Use \$100,000 and \$200,000, and P. 7 Debt Service \$75,000 expense.

There was discussion on these items.

**12.) This item was moved in the agenda sequence to after Citizen Comments.**

Presentation, discussion and possible action on the Heath Family Structures on County AH at the intersection of 256<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**There was no closed session as noted on the agenda below.**

MOTION: To move into closed session pursuant to: Section 19.85(1)(g), Wis. Stats. for the purpose of conferring with Town legal counsel concerning strategy to be adopted by the Town with respect to litigation in which it is likely to become involved. Board will discuss recent correspondence, events and strategy relating to that correspondence.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION BY Supervisor Tesar, second by Supervisor O'Connell to adjourn this Special Meeting.

UNANIMOUS VOTE – AYE

MOTION CARRIED

**This Special meeting was adjourned at 11:44 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Cindi Ernest, Clerk