

TOWN OF CALEDONIA
COLUMBIA COUNTY

Regular Town Board Meeting

Wednesday, July 9, 2008, 7:00 p.m.

Caledonia Town Hall N5479 Beich Road

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1. **Call the Meeting to Order** – Chairman Steve Pate called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm. Supervisor Greg Goetz, Supervisor Bob Loeffler, Treasurer Mardell Krejchik, Clerk Angeline Edgar, Bill Hein, Arlene Hein, Jerry Wilson, Mike Fountain, Jean Leech, Jaret Dedrich, and John Muenta present.
2. **Reading of the Meeting Notice** – Chairman Pate called for a reading of the meeting notice. Meeting notice read by Clerk Angeline Edgar.
3. **Reading of the Agenda** – Chairman Pate read the agenda and called for a motion regarding the agenda. Supervisor Greg Goetz made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Supervisor Bob Loeffler. No discussion. Motion carried.
4. **Review/Approval of Minutes** - Chairman Pate called for discussion regarding the June minutes, being none, he called for a motion regarding the June minutes. Supervisor Greg Goetz made a motion approve the June 11, 2008 minutes, seconded by Supervisor Bob Loeffler. No discussion. Motion carried.
5. **Treasurer's Report** – Chairman Pate then asked for the Treasurer's Report. Treasurer Mardell Krejchik read the May 31 Bank Accounts Summary. A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Supervisor Loeffler, seconded by Supervisor Goetz. No discussion. Motion carried.
6. **Mike Fountain, John Monty –Fire Call & Flood Damage-** Mr. Fountain is a builder in the area, who has and is working in the Blackhawk area. John Monty owns lots in the flooded Blackhawk area. Currently, the area where Mr. Fountain is working in is experiencing 2 feet above 100 year high water mark. Specific concerns being a privately owned pond that rose 8-10 ft from run-off. There is no outlet for the pond. And Mr. Fountain is currently pumping the water out of the pond toward Old River Road using diesel pumps and land adjacent to pond owned by another developer. As the pumping is time consuming and expensive, Mr. Fountain would like to know if there is anything that the town could do to assist right now and what can be done for possible Phase 2 of building with more roads, roofs, more run-offs? Mr. Fountain has talked to emergency management and they cannot help because it is not a public waterway. Mr. Fountain's argument is that it becomes a public safety issue during flooding as the flooding has gone over the road.

6 current homes affected by flooded pond. The landowners should go to FEMA to protect their homes. The risk of flooding to Lagoon Drive can be addressed with Columbia County Highway Department by the town board.

Mike Fountain W8024 Morse Road Poynette 53955 576 3163; John Muent
W8936 Lagoon Drive 608 393-3179

7. **FIRE CALL- Mike Fountain** – Mr. Fountain explained he was burning brush, he had sand around the burning pile, the lot was scrapped. He left the smoldering fire unattended. He believes a malicious neighbor called the Fire Department, that there was no need for the Fire Department to respond and now he has incurred a fire call bill. He further states that he is extremely careful of how he burns and is cautious about saving trees and taking into account erosion. He did not have a burning permit. Mr. Fountain stated the he did call sheriff to ask if needed burning permit; they said he did not. He did not call the Sherriff’s Department on the day in question. Mr. Fountain has not turned the call into his insurance as the deductible is larger than call. The total Fire Call bill to Mr. Fountain is \$490.08. Supervisor Loeffler makes a motion to pay half the fire call due to the fact that a malicious neighbor called the fire department. Supervisor Goetz seconded the motion for the purpose of discussion. Is there enough evidence to prove the neighbor maliciously called the fire department? John Muent, a neighbor, observed the smoldering fire and said it was not a threat. Any further discussion. No further discussion. Motion approved. Motion carries.
8. **Questions from the Floor** – From John Muent: can address tax increase here? Can still fill out an objection notice? The deadline for filing an objection has passed. Within two weeks of receiving original assessment notice, landowners must turn in Objection Forms to the Town Clerk.

A request to hold a wedding at Owen Park; those requesting should call the County Offices as Owen Park is a County park.

Bill Hein how much will road repairs (from recent heavy rains) cost? No estimates as yet. The Town Board is working with Columbia County Highway Department and Emergency Response to compile a list of necessary repairs. Already have listed: Walker, Durward’s Glen, Koepp, Pig Tail Alley Roads. 12.5% is the Town’s portion when FEMA kicks in. Town is in the process of turning in and completing application to FEMA.
9. **Any other business as authorized by law – none.**
10. **Payment of Bills-** Bills presented in the amount of: \$16,334.40. Supervisor Loeffler made a motion to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$16,334.40, seconded by Supervisor Goetz. No discussion. Motion carried.
11. **Adjournment-** A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Supervisor Loeffler, seconded by Supervisor Goetz. No discussion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Angeline Edgar
Clerk