# MONTHLY MEETING JANUARY 3, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Herbert Dickman, with the town board and constable present plus 10 persons interested in ordinance #1 2011 and one person to explain the ATV ride, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The clerk verified the agenda was posted.

The minutes of the previous monthly meeting were read. After the minutes were discussed, Schmahl moved to accept the minutes as read. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

John Schwarz and Charles Schwarz requested to be on the agenda. They have concerns about the "No Parking Ordinance" on Sheboygan Road across from their Supper Club. They stated that there was parking on the 30 foot of Sheboygan Road for over 55 years with only one minor accident and no other town road has 'no parking' signs up. It was explained that before the road construction was done, cars could park on the shoulder and be somewhat off the road. With the new construction of the road, there is a curb now instead of the shoulder and the curb is farther away from Thome's Garage. The town board has heard complaints and concerns about safety on this section of the road. As far as other town roads, they have no curbs and there have been no complaints.

John and Charles also stated that they should have received a notice about the ordinance. The clerk explained that the WTA told him that the ordinance had to be on the agenda and posted. The agenda was posted and put on the town web site. After it was adopted, it was posted and a summary was published in the Tri County News. The WTA did not say that people had to be notified.

Bob Thome Jr. of Thome's Garage stated that the no parking would mean that his customers would have no parking place and Michael Braun saw no problem with parking on Sheboygan Rd.

Ed Harvey of the Sheboygan County Highway Department did not commit if the "No Parking" was legal or not. Sheboygan Road is a town road and the county can just advise. On county roads, when there are complaints, they check it out and the county board decides if "No Parking Signs" are put up. They post the meeting on the county web site and at the court house.

Adam Schuh, Chief of the St. Anna Fire Department, expressed concern of that portion of Sheboygan Road if cars are parked there and they have a fire call and need to go through there.

Matt Winkel of Winkel Dairy Farms also expressed concern if cars are parked there when farmers use that road. With farm machinery bigger and wider and trucks longer, the intersection is dangerous with cars parked there.

A Town of New Holstein residence living in St. Anna also expressed concern for safety if cars are parked there when the Supper Club is open.

After 45 minutes of discussion, Chairman Dickman said the town had to move on to other business. He asked the supervisors if the ordinance should stay or be repealed. Schmahl noted that the

ordinance was passed because of concern of safety with cars parking on the road and not on the shoulder and the ordinance should stay. John Schwarz stated that he would like to be on the agenda for the February 7, 2012 meeting.

A representative for the ATV Run was present at the meeting. He explained that the route would be the same as last year. They would enter the town along Sheboygan Road, go through farm fields and go along Hunters Ct. into the Sheboygan Co. Marsh. The run would be on February 4, 2012. The ATV's would enter the Town at around 10:30a.m. and leave the Town by 4:30p.m. After some discussion, Winkel moved to allow the ATV run in the town. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was read. After the treasurer's report was discussed, Schmahl moved to accept the treasurer's report as read. Winkel seconds the motion carried. Motion carried.

The monthly bills were presented to the board. The clerk explained to the board that he deducted too much for social security in 2011. He had figured how much should be refunded. After discussing the bills and refunds, Winkel moved to pay all the bills and to issue the refunds at the February 7, 2012 meeting. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

No building permits were issued in the last month.

There were no problems at the recycling center.

The town roads were discussed. The Stop Sign, Dead End Sign and Fire Sign on Dickman Ct. were pulled out and broken. The mail box was also damaged. This was the third time in a week that this was done. Constable Ausloos will check to see if a camera can be put up someplace to see if a picture can be taken of the person doing the damage.

The fire signs for the hunting cabins in the St. Cloud Fire Department area was discussed. The clerk has not heard from the Sheboygan Co. Planning Department about these signs.

The annual audit was discussed. It will be held at the monthly meeting on February 7, 2012.

A printer for the town computer was discussed. Since this was discussed earlier and the treasurer needed the printer for collecting taxes, Supervisor Schmahl and Treasurer Cobble purchased a printer. Supervisor Schmahl had paid for the printer. Ausloos moved to reimburse Schmahl for the purchase of the printer. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The Redmen left their refrigerator and stove at the town hall. Winkel moved to dispose the refrigerator and stove. Dickman seconds the motion. Motion carried.

There being no other business, Schmahl moved to adjourn. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

### MONTHLY MEETING MARCH 6, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Herbert Dickman. Supervisor Schmahl was absent with the other board members present. Two town residents were present plus Ann Buechel Haack of Elkhart Lake School District. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

The clerk verified the agenda was posted.

The minutes of the previous monthly meeting were read. Winkel moved to accept the minutes as read. Dickman seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Ann Buechel Haack, Elkhart Lake School District Administrator was present at the meeting to explain the Elkhart Lake School District Referendum on the April 3, 2012 election. The school district would like to exceed the state's levy limit by \$575,000 for 3 years for operational and maintenance purposes. The school district is out of debt right now but the roofs need repair along with other expenses.

The treasurer's report was read. Dickman moved to accept the treasurer's report as read. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The monthly bills were presented to the board. Winkel moved to pay all the bills. Dickman seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The building permit issued in the last month was reviewed by the board. Winkel moved to accept the building permit. Dickman seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The recycling center is doing okay.

The town roads were discussed. Dan Stephanie has asked if a culvert can be replaced on River Lane. The town board will check on the culvert when they check the roads. The county highway department has sent a list of road signs that they recommend to be replaced. The signs will be checked with the roads. The town has received a letter from the Wisconsin Division of Transportation that the Holstein Road project is approved for the TRIP program. The milk sign, stop sign and mailbox were damaged again on Dickman Ct. The clerk has received a complaint about the late snow plowing on the town road east of County Highway J. The person was going to call the county shed in Elkhart Lake.

The county planning department is still working on the fire signs for the hunting cabins in the St. Cloud Fire Department area.

John and Charles Schwarz were on the agenda but could not attend the meeting. They had sent a letter to the town with some suggestions for the portion of Sheboygan Road that has the No Parking Zone. 1. Have a safety study on the road. 2. Tear out the curbing and put in mountable curbing. 3. Allow 2 parking spots with the parking spot nearest the stop sign on County Highway H with No Parking. 4. Make Sheboygan Road

a county road so the county would control the road. The town board tabled these suggestions until John and Charles attend a meeting.

The clerk had received an e-mail from Rural Insurance as to the person who will be the claim adjuster and attorney who will be working on the Schwarz case. The claim adjuster is Sherrie Versteger and the attorney is Ryan Braithwaite.

An e-mail from Jeff Grady explained the 2012 Elkhart Lake Triathlon. It will be held on June 9, 2012 and part of the bicycle race will go through the Town of Russell. The town roads will be Clark Road, Holstein Road and Grogan Road which are the same roads as last year. Dickman moved to approve the bicycle route. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Mark Novitovic will fill out the term of Carl R.F. Birkolz on the variance board.

The board discussed the possibility of appointing the clerk instead of electing the clerk. The board is checking into a referendum to be presented at the Annual Meeting to be put on the fall general election.

The second Tuesday in April 2012 is Election Day. Therefore, the monthly meeting has to be changed. After some discussion, the monthly meeting will be held on Monday, April 2, 2012.

The clerk had copies of the Annual Report for the board.

The town board plans on attending the District Meeting at the Bil-Mar Supper Club, Manitowoc on Saturday, March 24, 2012.

Treasurer Cobble is looking for a new computer for the town hall.

Constable Ausloos reported on the county constable meeting that he attended. He has picked up a dog but has not found the owner. He knows a person who will take the dog if the owner cannot be found.

Supervisor Winkel is attending Farmland Preservation Meetings representing Town of Russell

There being no other business, Dickman moved to adjourn. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

#### MONTHLY MEETING APRIL 2, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Herbert Dickman with the town board present. Also present were Charles Schwarz and Brett Reichardt. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

The clerk verified the agenda was posted.

The minutes of the previous monthly meeting were read. Winkel moved to accept the minutes as read. Dickman seconds the motion. Motion carried.

David Reichardt, The town plumbing inspector, has retired due to health reasons. He has recommended his son, Brett, to replace him as plumbing inspector. Brett attended the meeting to explain his experience to be the plumbing inspector. He presented to the board a list of his certifications and work experience. After some discussion, Schmahl moved to appoint Brett Reichardt as plumbing inspector. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried. Brett will write up a contract.

Charles Schwarz attended the meeting to ask the town board to repeal the no parking ordinance on Sheboygan Road. The town board stated that for safety reasons, the ordinance would stay. Charles then stated that they would take the next step to have the ordinance repealed. He did not ask to be on the agenda for the May 1 2012 meeting.

The treasurer's report was read. Winkel moved to accept the treasurer's report as read. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The monthly bills were presented to the board. Schmahl moved to pay all the bills. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

There were no building permits received in the last month.

The recycling center is doing okay.

The town roads were discussed. The town board will check the roads Monday, April 9, 2012 at 4:30 p.m. The mailbox on Dickman Court has been damaged a number of times. The sheriff's department is checking into the problem. The county highway department has checked the right of way on Hunters Court.

The county planning department has sent a list of fire numbers for hunting cabins that are located in the St. Cloud Fire Department fire protection area. There were some cabins that did not have numbers assigned because the county planning department could not locate the cabin or the access to the cabins. The clerk called the county planning department to see if they needed the exact location of the cabins if the town would determine which road would lead to the hunting cabins. They said if they know the roads, they could determine the fire numbers. After some discussion, Schmahl moved to order the fire signs for the hunting cabins that have numbers and the clerk should check

with the hunting cabins owners for the roads that lead to the cabins. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The Open Book will be held on May 1, 2012 from 4:00p.m. to 6:00p.m. The Board of Review will be held on May 17, 2012 from 6:00p.m. to 8:00p.m. or adjournment. Chairman Herbert Dickman, Supervisors Daniel Schmahl and Terrance Winkel, Treasurer Jaremy Cobble and Clerk Lawrence Kempf are certified for the Board of Review.

The town board discussed if a referendum should be held to appoint the town clerk. It will be discussed at the annual meeting to be held on April 10, 2012.

The board reviewed the sample ordinance pertaining to extending the term of office by one week in 2013 because of election law changes. Schmahl moved to have the clerk write up Ordinance #1 2012 to extend the term of the elected officers by one week in April 2013. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried. The clerk will have the ordinance ready to be signed at the May 2012 meeting.

Zeb Boos will cut the grass by the town hall for \$10.00 a cutting.

The treasurer reported on the residents who have not paid their dog license.

There being no other business, Winkel moved to adjourn. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

## ANNUAL MEETING APRIL 10, 2012

Chairman Herbert Dickman called the meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 16 town residents present plus 2 members of the Kiel Ambulance Service and one member of the St. Anna Fire Department.

The minutes of the April 11, 2011 Annual Meeting were read. Dan Schmahl moved to accept the minutes as read. Jaremy Cobble seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The members of the Kiel Ambulance Service explained some of the changes that were made in the service. New leaders were appointed to replace some that resigned. For more information people can call 920-905-4441. The ambulance service made 14 runs to the Town of Russell in 2011. The Kiel Ambulance Service is the backup to the Mt. Calvary Ambulance Service for the west part of the Town of Russell because they are closer than the Plymouth Ambulance Service.

The Annual Report was to be read. It was noted that the loan was almost paid up in 2011 because the town had paid extra on the principal in 2011. The clerk stated that the last payment was made at the January 2012 meeting. The work on Sheboygan Road done by the Sheboygan County Highway Department cost the town \$51,500.00. A \$35,000.00 payment was made to the county in December 2011. Terry Winkel moved to accept the Annual Report as printed. Earl Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The town roads were discussed. The State has approved the TRIP program for Holstein Road between Sexton Road and Grogen Road. The Sheboygan County Highway Department gave an estimate of \$100,800 for the road work. The TRIP program would pay \$7,800. Scott Construction has given an estimate of \$50,000. The county would grind up the present blacktop and put a new layer of blacktop on the road. Scott construction would put sealcoat on the road. It was suggested that the town board check to see if the narrow bridge on Holstein Road could be replaced with the work being done on the road. With the town board checking the roads, they said a culvert on Ford Road and River Lane should be replaced.

The Elkhart Lake Triathlon will be held on June 9, 2012. Part of the bike race will be held in the Town of Russell.

Stanley Meinnert moved to designate Bank 1<sup>st</sup> National as the town bank. Pat Zorn seconds the motion Motion carried.

Gary Seiler moved to designate the Tri-County News as the town paper. Stanley Meinnert seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Pat Zorn moved that the town board attend the State WTA Convention. Earl Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

In 2013 the Annual Meeting has to be held on the third Tuesday of April or within the following 10 days. Dan Schmahl moved to hold the 2013 Annual Meeting on April 16, 2013 at 7:00p.m. Gary Seiler seconds the motion. Motion carried.

At the 2011 Annual Meeting it was discussed if the town should have an elected or appointed town clerk. The town board decided to wait for the 2012 Annual Meeting to receive the opinion of the town residents. The town would have to pass an ordinance and then have a referendum on the November 6, 2012 fall general election. Pat Zorn moved that the town board take the steps needed to have a referendum on electing or appointing the town clerk on the November 6, 2012 ballot. Gary Seiler seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Jaremy Cobble, town treasurer, explained problems with the town computer. Pat Zorn moved that the town buy a new computer. Terry Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Some town residents have not paid the dog license fee that was due by March 31, 2012. Now they have to pay a late fee of \$25, 00.

The Open Book will be held on May 1, 2012 from 4:00p.m. to 6:00p.m. The Board of Review will be held on May 17, 2012 from 6:00p.m. to 8:00p.m. or adjournment.

The town web site was discussed. It was asked if ballots could be put on the web site.

The fee for building permit was discussed. The fee for a building permit is \$25.00 with the building inspector getting \$20.00 per permit. After some discussion, Pat Zorn moved to increase the fee to \$50.00 per permit. Stanley Meinnert seconds the motion. Motion carried. The fee for the building inspector would stay the same The fee would start now.

Fritz Heathman, president of the St. Anna Fire Department, was present at the meeting. He plans on attending some monthly meetings to stay in touch with the town.

The board explained the problem with Schwarz Supper Club over the No Parking Ordinance passed in December 2011 for a portion of Sheboygan Road.

The wages of the town board was discussed. The clerk gets a salary of \$500.00 a month plus \$30.00 for out of town meetings. Pat Zorn moved to increase the salary of the clerk to \$550.00 a month plus \$35 for out of town meetings. Dan Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The treasurer gets \$250.00 a month salary plus \$30.00 for out of town meetings. Pat Zorn moved to increase the salary of the treasurer to \$275.00 a month plus \$35.00 for out of town meetings. Stanley Meinnert seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The chairman receives a salary of \$125.00 for 3 months plus \$30.00 for every meeting attended. Pat Zorn moved to pay the chairman a salary of \$150.00 for 3 months plus \$35.00 for each meeting attended. Stanley Meinnert seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The supervisors get a salary of \$62.50 for 3 months plus \$30.00 a meeting. Pat Zorn moved to pay the supervisors a salary of \$75.00 for 3 months plus \$35.00 a meeting they attend. Mark Schurich seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The salary of the constable was discussed. There was no knowledge of a salary being set for a previous constable. Dan Schmahl moved to pay the constable \$35.00 a meeting attended and \$0.45 a mile. Jaremy Cobble seconds the motion. Motion carried. Pat Zorn moved to pay the constable a salary of \$150.00 a year. Stanley Meinnert seconds the motion. Motion carried.

These salary increases would take effect after the April 2013 election. The \$0.45 a mile reimbursement will stay the same.

A question was asked about brush along the town roads. The last couple of years, the town board asked the county highway department to cut just one pass when cutting grass in the fall. The town board stated that they hope the town can afford to have the county make two passes when they cut the grass in the fall. This would cut back the brush.

There being no other business, Pat Zorn moved to adjourn. Terry Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned. Refreshments followed.

## MONTHLY MEETING MAY 1, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Herbert Dickman with the town board present. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

The clerk verified the agenda was posted.

The minutes of the previous monthly meeting were read. Schmahl moved to accept the minutes as read. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The minutes stated that Brett Reichardt would write a contract for plumbing inspector. The clerk has not received the contract yet.

The treasurer's report was read. Winkel moved to accept the treasurer's report as read. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The monthly bills were presented to the board. After the bills were discussed, Schmahl moved to pay all the bills. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Supervisor Schmahl reported on the Sheboygan County Marsh meetings. Fish have been restocked after the drawdown last year.

The building permit that was issued in the last month was discussed by the board. Winkel moved to accept the building permit. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The recycling center was discussed. The center is doing okay. The clerk reported that he has completed the 2011 recycling accomplishments. The per capital collection was 88.97 lbs. for recyclables. The state standard is 82.4 lbs.

The town roads were discussed. The town board is checking if the bridge on Holstein Road, south of highway H, will qualify for the county bridge aid programs. Halbach Excavating should be giving an estimate to replace a culvert on Ford Road. River Lane will need a 18" X 24' culvert. The town board is thinking about putting pea gravel on Sexton Road.

Fire signs are being ordered for some of the hunting cabins in the St. Cloud Fire Department area of the Sheboygan County Marsh. The clerk is checking into the ones the County Planning Department could not find the location of the cabins.

The June 2012 meeting date is the same as the June election date. After some discussion, Winkel moved to hold the June meeting on Monday, June 4,2012 at 7:00 p.m. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The Open Book was held May 1, 2012 from 4:00p.m. to 6:00p.m. No town residents showed up.

The Board of Review will be held on May 17, 2012 from 6:00p.m. to 8:00p.m. or adjournment.

Proposed Ordinance # 1, 2012 was discussed. It pertains to extending the board terms of office by one week in April, 2013 because of changes in the election law. It was passed at the April 2

2012 monthly meeting but the clerk had to write up the ordinance. Winkel moved to accept and sign the ordinance. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Proposed Ordinance #2, 2012 was discussed. At the April 10, 2012 Annual Meeting, the town residents moved to have the town board write an Ordinance to appoint a clerk instead of electing a clerk. The clerk has written up the Ordinance and it was reviewed by the board. Schmahl moved to approve the Ordinance and to hold the referendum vote on the November 6, 2012 general election. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Complaints have been received about cats on the former Charles Gebhart property on County Highway H and the piles of junk on Donald Turba's property next to the Gebhart property.

The liquor license applications of Brad Kraus and Sharon and Chad Weber of Scrubs Bar & Grill and Scott McMurray and David D'Angelico of the Marsh Lodge were reviewed by the board. Schmahl moved to publish the liquor applications. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The constable will be checking on the late dog license.

Senator Glenn Grothman stopped in to talk to the town board. Due to redistricting, the Town of Russell will be in his senate district.

There being no other business, Winkel moved to adjourn. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

#### MONTHLY MEETING JUNE 4, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Herbert Dickman with the town board present plus Fritz Heathman of the St. Anna Fire Department. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

The clerk verified the agenda was posted.

The minutes of the previous monthly meeting were read. Schmahl moved to accept the minutes as read. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The minutes of the May 17, 2012 Board of Review were read. Winkel moved to accept the Board of Review minutes. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The clerk reported that Ordinance #1, 2012 which extends the term of office by one week in 2013 and Ordinance #2, 2012 which pertains to appointing or electing the clerk to be put on the November 6, 2012 election were posted on May 18, 2012.

The treasurer's report was read. Schmahl moved to accept the treasurer's report as read. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Fritz Heathman reported that the St. Anna Fire Department had lost some firefighters but had gained some new members. He will get a new roster for the town. There was talk about first responders. The part of the Town west of the Sheboygan Marsh by St. Cloud is covered by the St. Cloud First Responders. Fritz said he would check to see if the Fire Department could help with getting first responders for the east part of the Town of Russell.

The monthly bills were presented to the board. The clerk had a question about the bill of constable Jon Ausloos. The town board gets paid per meeting. Jon's bill was for the time he spent on the late dog fees and other complaints. After some discussion, Schmahl moved to pay the constable \$15.00 an hour plus .45 per mile. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried. Winkel moved to pay all the bills. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The clerk had received the contract from plumbing inspector, Brett Reichardt. The contract was signed.

The Elkhart Lake Triathlon will be held on Saturday, June 9, 2012. Part of the bike race is in the Town of Russell.

Chairman Dickman was interviewed by the Crossroads Transportation Magazine. It will be in the Spring 2012 issue.

Chairman Dickman attended the Kiel Ambulance meeting. Seven people have been treated by the Kiel Ambulance this year.

No building permits were received.

The recycling center is doing okay.

The town roads were discussed. Halbach Brothers will cut the roadsides. The clerk will check with Gordon Horn if he will cut the roadsides on the west part of the town. Schmahl moved to approve the cutting of the roadsides. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried. The county highway department gave an estimate of \$1,742.00 for a 15 inch by 38 foot culvert on Ford Road. Scott Construction gave an estimate of \$36,980.00 to resurface Sexton Road from Holstein Road east to County Highway J. The board is waiting for Halbach Excavating to give an estimate on ditch work on Holstein Road. Other contractors will be asked to give an estimate for the ditch work. The town needs to find a culvert for River Lane.

Some fire signs for the hunting cabins have been put up. The clerk is checking on the location of some of the hunting cabins.

The liquor license applications and operators license applications of the Marsh Lodge and Scrubs Bar & Grill were reviewed by the board. For the Marsh Lodge, liquor licenses were David D'Angelico and Scott McMurray and operator licenses were Sarah Koene, Abraham Meinnert, Mary Johnson, Katie Fohr, Sheila Payne and David Hoffman. For Scrubs Bar & Grill, liquor licenses were Sharon and Chad Weber and Brad Kraus and operator licenses Annette Petrie, Rita Petrie, Kristy Homa, Amy Pitzen, Jacqueline Cramer, Mary Jesinski, Erica Ausloos and Sara Rabe. Also the cigarette license application for Scrubs Bar & Grill. After reviewing the applications, Schmahl moved to issue all the licenses. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

There being no other business, Winkel moved to adjourn. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

# MONTHLY MEETING JULY 3, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Herbert Dickman with the town board present plus Dennis Schnell. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

The clerk verified the agenda was posted.

The minutes of the previous monthly meeting were read. Winkel moved to accept the minutes as read. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was read. Schmahl moved to accept the treasurer's report as read. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Dennis Schnell was present at the meeting because Francis Halbach, recycling center worker, was hurt in an accident. Dennis is willing to work at the recycling center until Francis can return to work, but he does not want to work every Saturday. Herbert Dickman and Jaremy Cobble are willing to help out.

The monthly bills were presented to the board. Winkel moved to pay all the bills. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Constable Jon Ausloos had received a letter from the Sheboygan County District Attorney pertaining to the one late dog license. The District Attorney has given a 1<sup>st</sup> notice to the town residence that has not paid the dog license fee. The person has until July 13, 2012 to make payment before the next step is taken.

The building permits issued in the last two months were reviewed by the board. Schmahl moved to accept the building permits. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The town roads were discussed. The culvert at the east end of Clark Road has to be replaced. Halbach Excavating will be asked to replace the culvert. Halbach Excavating has given an estimated of \$1,475.00 to replace the culvert on Ford Road. Halbach excavating also gave an estimated of \$34, 800.00 for ditch work of approximately ½ mile of Holstein Road between Grogen Road and Sexton Road. Abler Tree Company will remove trees on Holstein Road at an estimate of \$4,500.00. Schmahl moved to approve the contracts. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried. The culvert for River Lane was been delivered. Halbach Excavating will be asked to replace the culverts before working on Holstein Road.

The fire signs for the hunting cabins in the St. Cloud Fire Department area were discussed. The bill for the signs has not been received. Chairman Dickman will check with the Lange Sign Co. The clerk has received the road information for the remaining cabins. He will be taking the information to the Sheboygan Co. Planning Department so they can determine the fire number.

Francis Halbach's accident was discussed. Winkel moved to give Francis a get well card and a \$50 gift certificate to Schwarz's Supper Club. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

There being no other business, Schmahl moved to adjourn. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

## **MONTHLY MEETING AUGUST 7, 2012**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Herbert Dickman with the town board present plus Fritz Heathman. The pledge of allegiance followed.

The clerk verified the agenda was posted.

The minutes of the previous monthly meeting were read. Schmahl moved to accept the minutes as read. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Fritz Heathman of the St. Anna Fire Department attended the meeting. The fire department has 21 members with some more in training. Some members are interested in first responders but the training and cost may not make it possible.

The treasurer's report was read. Winkel moved to accept the treasurer's report as read. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The monthly bills were presented to the board. The clerk explained that the bill from the highway department had the gravel for Pat Zorn listed under the town portion of the bill. The board decided to pay Halbach Excavating \$20,000.00 toward the Holstein Road work. Schmahl moved to pay all the bills. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The building permits issued in the last month were reviewed by the board. Winkel moved to accept the building permits. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The recycling center was discussed. It is doing okay.

The town roads were discussed. The post for the dead end sign on South Ct. is broken and will be replaced. The board will look into putting guard rails by the bridge on Holstein Road south of County Highway H. There have been complaints about the speed of trucks on Holstein Road. Most of the trucks belong to Drake Dairy Farm and the ones with the complaint were told to contact Jim Drake about their concern. Jim had said that he would like to hear about the complaints first before they go to the town board. The county will be asked to cut the road sides this fall. The board is considering having the county do two passes to cut back the brush.

The clerk has taken the information for the remaining hunting cabins to the Sheboygan County Planning Department.

Lawrence Kempf is planning on selling his farm land. He will be keeping approximately 14 acres that he asked to be rezoned into two parcels. Parcel #1 would be 5 acres with the improvements. The rezoning request is from A1 to A2. Parcel #2 would be approximately 9 acres of marsh, woods and 2 acres of farm land. The rezoning request is from A1 to A1PR. The planning board has recommended the rezoning. After some discussion, Schmahl moved to approve the zoning change. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Constable Jon Ausloos gave a constable report. The district attorney has sent a second notice to a town residence that has not paid his dog license. He is also working on a dog problem between 2 neighbors.

The marsh committee is rewriting the master plan for the marsh.

There being no other business, Winkel moved to adjourn. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

## **MONTHLY MEETING SEPTEMBER 4, 2012**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Herbert Dickman with the town board present plus 3 members of the Kiel Ambulance Service. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

The clerk verified the agenda was posted.

Three members of the Kiel ambulance Service attended the meeting stating that they plan on attending more town meetings in the Town of Russell and other towns that their ambulance service provides service. They have 27 EMT's on their roster. In 2011 there were 14 runs in the Town of Russell. In 2012 they have had 286 runs in all with 11 runs in the Town of Russell. They are willing to work with the town and the St. Anna Fire Department to get first responders to serve the Town of Russell. It takes 90 hours of training to become a first responder.

The minutes of the previous monthly meeting were read. Schmahl moved to accept the minutes as read. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was read. Winkel moved to accept the treasurer's report as read. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The monthly bills were presented to the board. Schmahl moved to pay all the bills. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The building permits issued in the last month were reviewed by the board. Winkel moved to accept the building permits. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The recycling center is doing okay. The clerk has received a new proposal for the contract extension from Veolia Environmental Services for 3 years. For trash they would provide a 30 cubic yard container with transportation at \$124.00 per load plus a fuel surcharge. The disposal fee would be \$50.10 per ton. They would provide a 30 yard container for recyclables with a transportation process fee of \$180.00 per load plus fuel surcharge.

The town roads were discussed. Guard rails for the bridge on Holstein Road are still being looked at. The gravel where the culvert was replaced on Sexton Road has settled. More gravel will be put on it.

The clerk has not heard from the county planning department about the fire signs.

The St. Anna Fire department did not attend the meeting.

The survey map for the parcels that were rezoned for Lawrence Kempf was reviewed by the board. Parcel #1 consists of 5 acres that was rezoned from A1 to A2 with the improvements. Parcel #2 consists of 10.281 acres of marsh, woods and farmland that

was rezoned from A2 to A1PR. Winkel moved to accept the survey map. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried. The chairman and clerk signed the survey map.

The constable reported that the individual has paid his late dog fee. The payment was made to the district attorney. It was overpaid and when the town gets the check, the overpayment will be refunded.

The town safe is for sale. After some discussion, Schmahl suggested that it will be on the town web site and maybe someone will offer a bid on the safe. The clerk has received one bid. Anyone interested should contact the clerk.

The clerk is working on the proposed budget.

The treasurer reported that the checks written to the electrical and plumbing inspectors have not been cashed. He will check with the inspectors. He also reported that he has problems with the internet.

There being no other business, Schmahl moved to adjourn. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

### MONTHLY MEETING OCTOBER 2, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Herbert Dickman with the town board present and the president of the St. Ann Fire Department and 2 members of the Kiel School District. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

The clerk verified the agenda was posted.

Dan Dietrich and Dario Talerico of the Kiel School District explained the 2 referendums that will be on the November 6, 2012 election. The money raised from the referendums would be used for safety and security, energy and academics and technology.

The minutes of the previous monthly meeting were read. Schmahl moved to accept the minutes as read. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was read. Winkel moved to accept the treasurer's report as read. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Fritz Heathman of the St. Anna Fire Department was present at the meeting. The fire department will propose a new 3 year fire protection contract to the town. The present contract is for \$15,935.00 a year. Due to increase in expenses, the new contract would have a small increase each year. Some firefighters are interested in becoming first responders that would be for the Town of Russell. The fire department will have a chili supper on October 10, 2012 from 4:00p.m. to 8:00p.m.

The first Tuesday in November is Election Day so the monthly meeting date has to be changed. After some discussion, Schmahl moved to hold the November monthly meeting on Monday November 5, 2012 at 7:00p.m. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The monthly bills were presented to the board. Winkel moved to pay all the bills. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

An e-mail was received from Laura Wagner if anyone from the Town of Russell wanted a Glen Grothman sign.

No building permits were received in the last month. There is a question if a building permit is needed for a geothermal system. The town board feels no building permit is needed because it is a heating and cooling system which doesn't need a building permit. The building inspector had called the assessor who thought a building permit is needed. The clerk will check with the building inspector to see if the assessor gave a reason why a building permit is needed.

The recycling center is doing okay. Francis Halbach is working at the center again.

The town roads were discussed. The stop signs on Grogen Road by Highview Road and on Sexton Road by Highview Road were stolen. The county highway department

replaced them without calling the chairman before they replaced them. Dickman Ct. sign was also stolen. The county highway department will be putting blacktop on the culverts that were replaced this summer. The county highway department has cut the road sides. The town is still checking on guard rails for the bridge on Holstein Road.

Fire signs for the hunting cabins in the St. Cloud Fire Department were discussed. The clerk has not heard from the county planning department about the list of hunting cabins that he took into the department in July. Two people have not paid for fire signs that were installed earlier in the year. The bill for these signs was due by September 30, 2012 or it would be put on their tax bill with a \$5.00 charge for the paper work. After some discussion. Schmahl moved to give them a second notice at \$55.00 a sign with a due date of November 9, 2012 or it will be put on their tax bill with an extra charge of \$20.00 for the extra work the Clerk and Treasurer would have to do with the tax roll. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The constable had no report for the last month.

The county sheriff department had checked the town hall.

The town safe is for sale. The clerk has received 1 bid for the safe. Schmahl moved to wait until October 30, 2012 to see if more bids are received. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The clerk is working on the proposed budget. He has to wait for the state to send information so he can finish the proposed budget.

When to hold the budget meeting was discussed. Winkel moved to hold the budget meeting on Wednesday, November 14, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Personal from the Kiel Ambulance Service did not attend the meeting.

Rosemarie Dickman, chief election inspector, asked the clerk if there could be more election workers for the November 6, 2012 election. The board said the clerk can have more election workers for the November 6, 2012 election.

Treasurer Cobble reported that there are problems with the internet at the town hall. Treasurer Cobble and Supervisor Winkel will check the internet to see what can be done with the internet.

The sportsman club will be holding a meeting in the town hall on October 31, 2012.

There being no other business, Schmahl moved to adjourn. Winkel seconds the motion. Meeting adjourned.

### MONTHLY MEETING NOVEMBER 5, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Herbert Dickman with the town board present plus 2 members of the St. Anna Fire Department.

The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

The clerk verified the agenda was posted.

The minutes of the previous monthly meeting were read. Winkel moved to accept the minutes as read. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Fritz Heathman and Adam Schuh of the St. Anna Fire Department attended the meeting. The fire department has proposed a one year contract and a 3 year contract. The one year contract would be for \$16,732.00. The 3 year contract would be \$15,935.00 in 2013, \$16,413 in 2014, and \$17,070.00 in 2015. After some discussion, Dickman moved to accept the 3 year contract. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried. The contract was signed.

The treasurer's report was read. Schmahl moved to accept the treasurer's report as read. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The monthly bills were presented to the board. Winkel moved to pay all the bills. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The Kiel Area School District Board of Education sent a letter of thanks to the town board for letting them explain the two referendums that are on the November 6, 2012 election.

There were no building permits issued in the last month. The clerk and building inspector received information from Insurance Services Office. They administer the rating of the fire and building code departments for property insurance companies. The town board decided not to participate.

The treasurer had received a letter about a tax collector bond. It would cover the amount of taxes the town treasurer collects for the county. The town has not had a bond the last number of years. The board decided not to purchase the bond.

The recycling center is doing okay. The new contract was received from Veolia. They will provide a 30 cubic yard container for trash. The transportation rate would be \$124.00 per load plus fuel surcharge with a disposal rate of \$50.10 per ton. They would also provide a 30 cubic yard container for recyclables with transportation and processing rate of \$180.00 per load plus fuel charge. The contract would run from January 1, 2013 thru December 31, 2015. Winkel moved to accept the contract. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried. The contract was signed.

The town roads were discussed. The guard rails for the culvert on Holstein Road were discussed. The board received information at the WTA convention from a company that sells the guard rails. The county highway department will be asked for an estimate for the guard rails.

The county planning department has not worked on the fire sign number for the hunting cabins in the St. Cloud Fire Department Sheboygan Marsh area.

The constable reported no problems in the town.

The clerk has received a high bid of \$75.00 for the old town safe.

The Proposed Budget was presented to the board. The proposed budget is for \$68,414 which is the state levy limit. The budget meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 14, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Personnel from the Kiel Ambulance Service did not attend the meeting.

The Joint Powers Agreement County 911 Emergency System for 2013 was received from the Sheboygan County Sherriff's Department. It pertains to providing emergency service to the Town of Russell. After being reviewed, Schmahl moved to approve the Joint Powers Agreement. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried. The agreement was signed.

There being no other business, Winkel moved to adjourn. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

## BUDGET AND TAX LEVY MEETING NOVEMBER 14, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Herbert Dickman with the town board present plus one town residence.

The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

The minutes of the November 15, 2011 budget and tax levy meeting were read. Terry Winkel moved to accept the minutes as read. Jaremy Cobble seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The clerk had proposed a budget of \$68,414 set by the Department of Revenue. The proposed budget for 2011 was \$77,581. The budget of 2011 had \$10,000.00 budget for the loan payment. The clerk explained the \$10,000 was put in the budget before the state set the levy limit. With the loan paid, the budget can't have the \$10,000.00 in the budget. After some discussion, Dan Schmahl moved to approve the proposed budget of \$68,414.00. Terry Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Jaremy Cobble moved to adjourn the Budget Meeting. Pat Zorn seconds the motion. Budget Meeting adjourned.

The Tax Levy Meeting was called to order.

The town assessed value is \$32,186,700 up from \$31,768,900. With the budget of \$68,414.00 and the town value at \$32,186,700 the tax levy is .00212554. This comes to \$2.13 per thousand. Terry Winkel moved to accept a tax levy of \$2.13 per thousand. Dan Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Jaremy Cobble moved to adjourn the Tax Levy Meeting. Pat Zorn seconds the motion. Motion carried. Tax Levy Meeting adjourned.

#### MONTHLY MEETING DECEMBER 4, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Herbert Dickman with the town board present plus one town residence plus his two guests.

The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

The clerk verified the agenda was posted.

The minutes of the previous monthly meeting were read. Schmahl moved to accept the minutes as read. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Gordon Horn was present at the meeting along with a couple interested in buying 2 acres to build a house. The 2 acres are located on Olrich Court. The 2 acres are in farm land and zoned A1 and would be rezoned to R1 if he would sell them. Gordon wanted to know if he could rezone the land before he would request to have a rezoning meeting. The town board feels the planning board would not recommend the rezoning change and the town board would agree with the planning board. Supervisor Schmahl stated that some towns have an ordinance stating that a farmer could sell 1 lot for a house and agree to remove 40 acres from being rezoned. The town board feels the planning board should meet and make some changes in the Town Zoning Manual so it would be possible to sell a lot from A1 to R1 and still preserve farmland. Gordon Horn and his buyers agreed to this and will wait until the planning board will meet.

The treasurer's report was read. Winkel moved to accept the treasurer's report as read. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The monthly bills were presented to the board. Schmahl moved to pay all the bills. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The Sheboygan County Sheriff's Department would like to have one of their officers attend a meeting to talk about crime prevention. They will be asked to attend the annual meeting.

Chairman Dickman attended a heads of government meeting. They approved a resolution pertaining to legislation issues and a resolution to approve the combining of the dispatch center of the City of Sheboygan and the County of Sheboygan.

There were no building permits issued in the last month.

The recycling center is doing okay.

The town roads were discussed. There were two accidents on town roads due to mud and manure on the roads. A bus slid off Sexton Road and a car hit a skid steer on County MM. The county did not give an estimate yet for guard rails on Holstein Rd. Some of the town board talked with a guard rail company at the WTA convention. The board

discussed the prices from this company. Schmahl moved to order the guard rails from the company. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried. Greg Schnell, Sheboygan County Highway Commissioner, would like to talk with the town board about the county highway department and towns working together with what the town would like the county to do in the township.

The clerk has not heard from the County Planning Department about the fire signs for the hunting cabins.

The January 2013 monthly meeting is the same day as New Years. After some discussion, Winkel moved to hold the monthly meeting on Wednesday, January 2, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The caucus meeting to be held in January 2013 was discussed. Winkel moved to hold the caucus on Tuesday, January 15, 2013 at 7:30p.m. Schmahl seconds the motion. Motion carried.

The constable gave his report. There was a complaint that the Amish drove through the parking lot of Scrubs Bar and Grill instead of following the road to go south.

Personnel from the Kiel Ambulance Service did not attend the meeting.

The railing on the town hall ramp is broken. The town board will fix it.

The town board talked about appointing the town clerk because the referendum passed to appoint the clerk. They will check with the town's association as to how to proceed. A notice will be put in the newsletter to see if someone is interested in the position if the present clerk would retire or work with the present clerk to know what is required to be clerk.

There being no other business, Schmahl moved to adjourn. Winkel seconds the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.