Date and Time:  **Tuesday, February 14, 2012, 7:00 pm**
Place: Town of Farmington Town Hall, 9422 STH 144, Kewaskum WI 53040

Present: Chairman Chris Elbe, Supervisor Mark Foyse, Supervisor Duane Wollner, Treasurer Ken Ramthun, Clerk Chris Schellinger.

Chairman Elbe called the meeting of the Town of Farmington Town Board to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chris Schellinger read the Affidavit of Posting, stating that prior to the meeting, notice was sent to the Kewaskum Statesman, posted at the Town Hall, Fillmore Fire Hall, Green Lake Access and on the website.

**MINUTES** of the January 10, 2012 Public Hearing for Conditional Use Permit - Eugene Ziegler Jr., January 10, 2012 Public Hearing for Rezone - Jacob Junk & Liza Cranney, January 10, 2012 Town Board meeting & January 17, 2012 Town Board of Audit were approved on a motion made by Foyse, seconded by Wollner. Voting in favor: 3, Opposed: 0, Motion carried.

**PUBLIC INPUT:** None

**BUILDING INSPECTOR / ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:** John Derler reported zero (0) new home starts for the month of January 2012 and zero (0) new home starts for the month of January going back the past five years.

**ROBERT ZETTLER JR. – REGARDING PETER WINKELS PROPERTY:** Postponed from January 10, 2012 Town Board meeting. John Derler, Zoning Administrator, sent a letter to Peter Winkels regarding a complaint received
from his neighbors, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Zettler Jr., addressing possible violations of
the Town Zoning code at his property at 9410 Bolton Drive, Kewaskum, WI
53040. Mr. Winkels contacted Mr. Derler and they agreed to meet at his property to
review these concerns. Mr. Derler reported that a non-conforming building near the
property line will be moved to the five foot (5’) setback, another shed will be
removed, the abandoned vehicle is now licensed, and Mr. Winkels has removed metal
from his rock fence. Mr. Robert Zettler asked about the removal of the metal T-posts
and the blocks and bricks. Mr. Derler said he will review these with Mr. Winkels and
if in violation, then request to have fixed also. Board agreed to give Mr. Winkels until
July 1, 2012 to address these items and Mr. Derler will notify Mr. Winkels regarding
this.

OZAUKEE WASHINGTON LAND TRUST (OWLT): Shawn Graff, Executive
Director of the Ozaukee Washington Land Trust (OWLT) was present to speak to the
Board regarding the DNR’s interest in leasing the 12 acre parcel (T4-0302) on Lake
Twelve that OWLT owns. OWLT manages this parcel as a nature preserve for area
residents. Since 2001, they have made improvements such as a gravel driveway, a
parking area and a pier. The DNR owns property and holds easements across
Fillmore Road due west of the OWLT property. The DNR would like to rent this
property from OWLT and make additional public access improvements, including
widening the driveway on the OWLT property to allow for parking off Fillmore
Road. This parking area could then serve both properties. The OWLT would
receive a lease payment from the DNR which the OWLT would in turn donate to the
Town. Moved by Wollner to have the OWLT consider an annual donation of $500 to
the Town for 5 years, seconded by Foyse. Voting in favor: 3, Opposed: 0, Motion
carried.

RECREATION COMMITTEE – REC. FUND STATUS: Several members of the
Recreation Committee and at least one representative from the Farmington Turner
Athletic Club, Farmington Athletic Club and Boltonville Fire Department were
present to discuss the status of the funds in the Recreation account. These funds are
generated via a $400 Park Fee from land divisions, which have significantly decreased
over the past several years. Without a significant addition of fees, the Recreation
Fund may be eliminated in approximately four years with the current estimate of
disbursement. The Board used this opportunity to preliminarily discuss ways to
increase and extend the life of these funds, as well as, to discuss appropriate
disbursement of these funds. Some considerations include: raising the Park Fee,
increase zoning permit fee with portion to go to Recreation fund, having the
individual groups consider additional fundraisers and/or an increase in their program fees, and the possibility of disbursing funds via one group. The Board wants to see these programs continue, but doesn’t want to see them funded as an addition to property taxes if the funds run out.

**FARMINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY (FHS) UPDATE:** Marcia Theusch, a member of the FHS was present to give an update on projects the group has worked on this past year. Comments shared:

- Appreciate space they are using in the back room of the Town Hall and would like to place a small sign on the door
- Members meet Saturdays at the Town Hall (per schedule) to do cataloging and organizing
- Asked if ok to remove worn chairs from the back room
- Addressed the seven “Welcome to Farmington” signs FHS had put up years ago
- Orchard Grove Cemetery – Gene Kenney learned how to restore grave stones and spent many volunteer hours completing restoration work at the Orchard Grove Cemetery. He did a wonderful job and received a round of applause from those present. A fall program/walking tour is in the plans. FHS would like to put up a sign at this cemetery and will use their funds, as well as those from a fundraiser. County ok with signage as long as off highway right-a-way.
- FHS creates a book mark yearly documenting a different subject
- Annual meeting, March 10, 2012 at Town Hall will feature a speaker on the Civil War
- Memorial Day program held annually at Turner Hall
- Received a new flag for the Town

**LICENSES:** Moved by Foyse, seconded by Wollner to approve Temporary Class “B” Retailer’s License to sell fermented malt beverages at picnics or similar gatherings for Green Lake Property Owners Association for Washington County, Ice Fisheree February 18, 2012, held near Green Lake south launch near East Green Lake Drive, and Temporary Operator’s Licenses for Larry S Cipinski, Patrick John Ehlert and Jack W LeRoy for GLPOA Ice Fisheree 2-18-2012. Voting in favor: 3, Opposed: 0, Motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** *Eckert Law Office, LLC:* Notice that Michaels have appealed from the judgment entered on 12-6-2011 by Judge Muehlbauer; *UW-
Madison: Work Zone and Flagger Safety pamphlet; We Energies: Letter regarding new street light outage reporting tool; Today’s TMJ4: Severe weather closing information; Public Service Commision of WI: Broadband plan for southeast WI public meeting 2-7-2012 from 3-5pm in Mount Pleasant; Crossroads: Fall 2011 Publication; North American Salt Co.: Correspondence regarding shipment notification; SEWRPC: 2010 Annual Report; CBG: Prevailing wage information packet.

UPCOMING MEETINGS / EVENTS:
February 21, 2012, Spring Primary Election 7:00 am to 8:00 pm
February 23, 2012, Town Board at 6 pm
February 28, 2012, Plan Commission at 7:30 pm, as needed
March 13, 2012, Town Board at 7 pm

APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT: Ken Ramthun reported $371,848.06 in the General Account, $33,269.45 in the Recreation Fund, total income of $82,488.26 and total expenses of $57,191.36. This month Town income included Town Tax ($81,051.63). This month Town expense included Highway Maintenance ($45,270.27). Moved by Wollner, seconded by Foyse to approve bills and expenditures as presented. Voting in favor: 3, Opposed: 0, Motion carried.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Brian Bausch - The County plans to demolish the old concrete house at Yahr Park in 2012 and long-term to put up a shelter there. Also addressed a comment he has heard that the County never lays anyone off. This last year the Parks Department permanently laid off 3 employees. Marcia Theusch – Asked Mr. Bausch when the County is planning to redo the bridge on Hwy H and why this wasn’t done with the Hwy H road project this past year. Mr. Bausch – Bridge wasn’t bad enough to fix with the road project and also hoping in maybe 5 years they can get federal funds to help cover the cost of repair.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Foyse, seconded by Wollner to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m. Voting in favor: 3, Opposed: 0, Motion carried.
Respectfully submitted,
Chris Schellinger, Town Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

STATE OF WISCONSIN
COUNTY OF WASHINGTON
TOWN OF FARMINGTON

I, Chris Schellinger, Town Clerk for the Town of Farmington, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, correct and complete record of the transactions of the Town of Farmington Town Board meeting held on February 14, 2012.

Dated this 20th day of February 2012.

Chris Schellinger, Town Clerk