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CALENDAR OF EVENTS...

Town Board Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month. All meetings are held in the Silver Cliff Town Hall at 7:00 PM.

Garbage Pickup is every Wednesday until December 1st. It will then be picked up on the first, third and fifth Wednesday until April, when it goes back to every week.

Recycling is the first and third Sunday of each month from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM and on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

For questions on the above items or any other town business, contact your town supervisor. If you own property **WEST** of the Peshtigo River, call Riana Ventura at 715-757-2442 or **EAST** of the Peshtigo River call Sue Victoreen at 715-850-1058. For other questions or concerns, feel free to call the town chairman, Bruce Weber, at 920-461-9938.

Questions or concerns for the Constable, call Scott Baldwin at 715-757-9219.

OTHER DATES TO REMEMBER...

The American Legion and Legion Auxiliary meet at the Town Hall on the first Saturday of each month at 10:00 AM.

The Fire and Rescue Auxiliary meet on the second Monday of each month at the Town Hall at 9:00 AM starting in April. All women in the area are encouraged to attend.

November 2019

The Comprehensive Planning Commission meets at the Town Hall on the second and fourth Monday of each month at 6:00 PM.

The Fire Department meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 PM in the Fire and Rescue Building.

WEBSITES for the Town of Silver Cliff and Northwood's Recycling Coalition are:

www.silvercliffwi.com

www.northwoodsrecycling.com

Town Clerk – Dana Weber

715-757-3163

sctownclerk@yahoo.com

Jane Meissner – Building Inspector

715-245-1708

nebuildinginspector@gmail.com

GET WELL WISHES.....

Get well wishes are extended to Lenny Doering, Nancy Ollendorf, Bonnie Tobison, Joanne Wians, Nicki Aragon and Peter & Mary Wagner. These individuals have been having some health problems and your prayers, cards and concerns would be greatly appreciated.

SINCERE SYMPATHY...

Sincere sympathy extended to the families of Ruth Match, Hank Burkel, Tom Neverman, and Harry Tesch.

Again, we apologize if we missed anyone. Sometimes people let us know of those who are not feeling well or who passed away. If you know of someone that we should be thinking about, please let us know and we will add them to the list. Thank you.

PARKER-JOSE-STOCKWELL AMERICAN LEGION POST 66

Respectfully Submitted
Commander Duaine Coenen

**PARKER-JOSE-STOCKWELL AMERICAN LEGION
AUXILIARY UNIT 66**

Respectfully submitted,
Dee Farley
ALA Unit 66 President

On September 28, 2019, the Post, along with the Auxiliary Unit, held their annual Chili-Soup Fest at the Silver Cliff Memorial Picnic Grounds. Once again, this year, the Chili and soups were made by local bars, restaurants and individuals. We had 27 Nesco's of Chili and Soups to choose from. The Post and Auxiliary would like to thank everyone who made a batch of chili or soup for the fest. The Auxiliary Unit held their soup contest, as well as helping to serve Chili-Soup to the public. The Auxiliary Unit members and the local members of the community also made a lot of pies to go with the ice cream. All proceeds from the event will be shared equally by the Post and Auxiliary Unit for the scholarships to the local High School graduates. Again, this year we had over 250 members of the Dual Sport Riders of Wisconsin join us for lunch. We appreciate their support of our scholarship program.

All Post Members and Auxiliary Unit 66 members should have gotten their invitations to the Christmas Party by now. Please be sure to mail your reply ASAP so we will know how many to plan for at the Woods on December 7, 2019.

On October 12, 2019 Cletus Deprey took over the position of Service Officer, for Post 66. If you know a fellow Legion member who is not in the best of health or in the hospital please let him know.

On October 17, 2019 Al Krueger, Sy Calaway, Curt Burch and myself made our first trip of the season to the Iron Mountain Veterans Hospital/Home to run the monthly bingo game for the Veterans living there.

On September, 2019, the Post Honor Guard paid a final tribute to Henry (Hank) Burkel, who was a charter member of Post 66 and over the years held a lot of positions for the Post. At the time of his demise, he was the Post Chaplain.



Members of Athelstane/Silver Cliff Unit 66 went to the Oscar G. Johnson Veterans Hospital in Iron Mountain on Wednesday, August 14th to deliver Christmas presents to the Veterans at the hospital. Everyone received a colorful Patriotic Neck Pillow to make their stay a little more comfortable. Santa Claus personally delivered the presents much to the amusement of many of the patients visited. Pictured above are Santa - Wayne Wilz, Barb Van Boxtel, Dee Farley, VA Volunteer Rebecca Joyce, VA Assistant Heather LaPalm, and Ann Wender.

Labor Day weekend the Post/Unit 66 Color Guard marched in the parade for the Northwood's Annual Auction. The Post/Unit 66 Color Guard participates in several activities throughout the year representing the American Legion.

The 2019 American Legion Chili Fest was September 21st at the Silver Cliff Memorial Picnic Area. The proceeds from the 28 different kinds of soup and Chili are used for scholarships for local students.

Pictured above are Unit 66 Members Mary Wright and Toots Krueger who sold \$500 of baked goodies. Bake Sale proceeds are given to the Children's Miracle Network.

Members Mary Deprey, Carrie Willems, Jan Meyer, Joyce Mattson and helpers Diane Krueger and Linda Danen were busy making pies to sell to the local community and the 300 plus Dual Sport Riders of Wisconsin that came to the Chili Fest.

Each year we have a Soup Contest where local chefs can showcase their prized soup recipes. We had 15 entries this year. The 1st Place Winner this year was Michele Lotter with the Brat, Bacon, Cheese and Beer Soup. The 2nd Place went to Amy Vannieuwenhoven with her Creamy Cheesy Chowder. Congratulations to all of the winners!!

Pictured above are Michele, Amy and Chairman Tammy DeBauche.

Post/Unit 66 Members went to Wausaukee High School on October 30th to present an award to Courtney Peterson for the 1st Place National Poppy Contest Winner in her class and the 1st Place Overall National Winner. 2019 Graduating Senior Emily Shaw also was a 1st Place National Winner from Wausaukee High School. As part of the Poppy Poster Contest Program, several of the Post 66 Veterans participated in a panel discussion about their years spent in service. After the presentation and discussion, a light snack was provided by Unit 66 Members.

At the November 2nd meeting, Unit 66 hosted a Veterans Day Dinner at the Silver Cliff Town Hall for all Post 66 Veterans. Other local non-member Veterans were invited to participate as well. The meeting was at 10:00 AM with the dinner immediately after.

Unit 66 will be having a Deer Hunters Bake sale on Thursday, November 21st at the Fire Lane Bar & Grill beginning at 3:00 PM. All proceeds are used for the Veterans at Oscar G. Johnson Medical Facility in Iron Mountain. Cash donations are always welcomed.

We are making plans for the 2019 Annual Christmas Dinner which will be held at the Woods Banquet Hall on December 7th. All attendees are asked to bring a donation to be given to the local food pantry or the Veterans at the Oscar G. Johnson Medical Center in Iron Mountain. A "Needs List" for the facility was given out at the October Post/Unit 66 Meeting. Any community residents that wish to donate can contact Commander Duaine Coenen or myself for more information.

LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 66 HUNTER'S BAKE SALE

The American Legion Auxiliary will be having their annual Hunter's Bake Sale on November 21st. It will be held at Fire Lane Bar & Grill on County C in Athelstane starting at 3:00 PM.

Barb VanBoxtel and Alice Leurquin will be chairpersons for this event. We ask all Auxiliary Unit 66 members and non-members of the Silver Cliff and Athelstane communities to bring baked goods, candy, jelly/jam, pickled eggs, homemade pickles, etc.

Items can be brought to Fire Lane after 1:00 PM.

SILVER CLIFF FIRE & RESCUE AUXILIARY MEETING MINUTES

Respectfully Submitted
Mary Deprey
Corresponding Secretary

The Silver Cliff Fire and Rescue Auxiliary met on September 9th at the town hall. Meeting was called to order by President Barb Van Boxtel, the Pledge of Allegiance was stated, and roll call was taken. 21 members were present. The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were read and approved. The Treasurer provided all members with tally sheets showing the totals for each area of the picnic, chairmen were able to see the end result from the picnic earnings.

Sunshine Chairman, Sue Vandenberg, sent a sympathy card for Hank Burkel, get well to Lorna Maedke, and a thank you to Judy Egan. A thank you was received from Mary Wagner.

Services for Hank Burkel will be graveside at the Silver Cliff Cemetery on September 21st, followed by a lunch at the town hall.

Silver Cliff will have a Centennial celebration in 2020. Planning meetings will be held at the town hall, the first meeting is September 19 at 4:00 PM. All are invited to participate.

Nancy Ollendorf submitted a written report from the dice game and the sale of ads in the Peshtigo times.

Nancy and Tom checked with a metal fabricator on cost of making frames for our new large picnic signs, the cost would \$80.00 for each. This was approved to be purchased so the signs would be ready in a timely manner for next year.

A motion was made to increase the annual dues from \$5.00 to \$10.00 for our Auxiliary.

Desserts were provided by Lorna Maedke and Crystal Peterson.

Our October 14 meeting was held at the town hall, agenda was followed, roll call was taken, secretary, and treasurer reports were read and accepted. Mary reported that she didn't see the thank you in the Peshtigo Times. She will contact them for a copy as the bill has been paid per Ann.

Get well cards were sent to Nicki Aragon, Joanne Wians, and Mary Wagner. A thank you was received from Mary Burkel.

Scholarship recipients will have their pictures taken when receiving checks in December, when they are on break from college.

Funeral dinner served 112 guests. We will need to purchase more plates, silverware, etc.

Centennial planning meetings are on-going, the next is October 24 at 4:00 PM at the town hall.

Dee reported that an ice cream social, a tour bus of historic sites, and a band for Saturday night have been set in place/hired.

Lori Paulson requested \$50.00 for the Park Angels thank you dinner, after discussion this was approved.

The 2020 proposed budget was provided by Ann. After a complete explanation to all members, the budget was

approved. A financial review of the books will be completed by members in November.

Signs for the Deer Hunter's bake sale, we need to purchase two easels for these, also ask Nancy to make small signs for area businesses.

We need to invite Peter and Mary Wagner to the November meeting to receive their certificate as Grand Marshalls. The Fire Department and Rescue Squad leaders need to be invited to the November meeting to receive checks from picnic proceeds.

Election of Officers for President and Secretary, Vice-president and Treasurer are next year.

Terms are for two years. Nominations for President were Barb VanBoxtel, to be re-elected, and Mary Deprey. Lorna Maedke did not accept nomination for another term as Secretary. No one was nominated for Secretary, so Dee Farley volunteered to be Secretary. A paper ballot was used for the President's position. Barb was re-elected.

Christmas Party for the Auxiliary will be held on December 9, at Rapids Resort. Barb will check on pricing of meals. This will be our meeting, starting at 11:00 AM.

November Meeting change of date from November 11 to the 12th. Sue Vandenberg suggested no center pieces, as we all have many items in our homes, this was approved. All members signed up for a variety of food to be served. Meeting time is 10:00 AM, luncheon to follow.

Thank you to Sue Polecastro and Gail Van Ark for providing desserts.

SCFR HUNTERS BAKE SALE

The Silver Cliff Fire & Rescue Auxiliary will sponsor a Hunter's Bake Sale on Friday, November 22nd, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Sue Vandenberg and Barb VanBoxtel are co-chairpersons.

We ask all Auxiliary members and non-members to bring baked goods, including pies, breads, cookies, candy, canned goods, etc.

Items can be brought to Jungle Jim's at 8:00 AM on the morning of the Bake Sale. Proceeds from the Bake Sale will be used for scholarships for area students. Cash donations are always welcomed.

SILVER CLIFF RESCUE SQUAD

The winners of the monthly drawings are listed below. Each #1 name won \$50 and each #2 or #3 name won \$25. Congratulations to all winners. We would like to thank those people who support the drawing.

- August 1 – Cody Walesh of Silver Cliff
 2 – Sandy DeGoey of Silver Cliff
 3 – Jane Godin

- September 1 – Katie Schink of Darboy
 2 – Jody Jose
 3 – Joe Miller of Silver Cliff

- October 1 – Shirley Scheuerman of Silver Cliff
 2 – Mike Onkels of Athelstane
 3 – Bruce Weber of Silver Cliff

We'd like to thank JC & Sally at the Northwoods Bar, along with their employees, all their volunteers, donators, and buyers. Everyone worked together to make the Northwoods Auction on Labor Day weekend another huge success. We really appreciate all the planning and hard work that went into setting up, collecting items, cooking, ticket selling, auctioneering, record keeping, food and drink sales, and cleaning up. The weather cooperated, fun was had by all, and everyone was very generous. The Athelstane Fire Department and Silver Cliff Rescue Squad received some wonderful donations. Thank you everyone.

TOWN BOARD MINUTES

Respectfully Submitted Dana Weber
Clerk - Town of Silver Cliff

Town of Silver Cliff Meeting Minutes-AMENDED July 9, 2019

1. Call to order & roll call: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bruce Weber at 7 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: Present board members: Chairman Bruce Weber, Supervisor Sue Victoreen and Supervisor Riana Ventura

Others Present: Dana L. Weber, town of Silver Cliff Clerk; Carol Kitchmaster, town of Silver Cliff Treasurer; and Steffanie Bishop, town of Silver Cliff Deputy Clerk.

2. Verification of proper public notice and Pledge of Allegiance: Agendas were posted at Town Hall, Fire Department, Red Pine BP, Jungle Jim's, Rustic Inn and Rapids Resort.

3. Motion to approve the agenda: Supervisor Sue Victoreen requested item I be changed for possible Approval. A motion was made to approve the agenda with that change by Supervisor Riana Ventura, Seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion carried.

Consider for approval or other action:

4. Tim Kroeze, CenturyLink Proposed work in Town of Silver Cliff (cable for high speed internet):

Tim with CenturyLink explained to the board that government funding has been made available to bring high speed internet to rural areas. This is a tiered program with three phases. CenturyLink is requesting permission from Silver Cliff to access the ditches to run cable. The cable will be run 36" deep. There is no cost to the town. CenturyLink crews will follow all safety and OSHA regulations. In phase one, crews will be running fiber optic cable down Parkway. A motion was made by Supervisor Riana Ventura to approve access for CenturyLink to run fiber optic cable, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion carried. CenturyLink will provide 60 day advance notice before work is done.

5. Melissa Ebsch, Director of Tourism & Marketing for Marinette County, Tourism update: Melissa reported Marinette County has had a 4.3% increase in tourism. Melissa will post any events Silver Cliff has coming up on county website. She is available to do an assessment to promote the town of Silver Cliff.

6. Minutes from June 11, 2019, Town Board meeting, after any corrections have been rectified: A motion was made by Supervisor Sue Victoreen to approve minutes with changes added to Planning Commission report--one meeting in May and future work on sign ordinance, Constable report--Scott checking on building setbacks, Park Pavilion report -- bracing was installed and approved by engineer Dan Seymour. Minutes will be amended, seconded by Chairman Bruce Weber. Motion carried

7. Reports / updates presented:

a. Treasurer's report: Carol Kitchmaster reported a balance in checking of \$20,082.59, and a balance in the money market of \$442,530.51. A motion to approve was made by Supervisor Riana Ventura, seconded by

Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion carried. The town board requested Deputy Clerk Steffanie Bishop be placed on the Laona State Bank checking account to sign checks in the event Clerk, Dana Weber, is unavailable.

b. Clerk's report: review reports, attorney update: Dana Weber reviewed monthly financial reports from Attorney Kim Coggins, who sent an email with a quote of \$195 per hour to represent the town on any legal matters. Chairman Bruce Weber requested additional names of attorneys to represent town if needed.

c. Discussion on signing checks: Currently the town requires 3 signatures on checks for approval. Supervisor Riana Ventura requested Deputy Clerk Steffanie Bishop be added to accounts to sign in an event the Clerk, Dana Weber, would not be available to sign checks. Supervisor Riana Ventura also requested the town draft a resolution (for town board to approve at next meeting) to require 2 signatures on checks for approval.

d. Chairman report- CD's, BP fleet cards, review board project/assignments list: Bruce Weber reported that the departments should use fleet cards for fuel. PINs have been given to departments. Keep the cards in vehicles, and one card is kept at Red Pine.

Supervisor Riana Ventura will oversee Fire Department on list of board responsibilities and town project assignments. In the effort to provide full disclosure, the balance in the town's checking is \$20,082.59; money market has \$442,530.51; the town has 5 certificates of deposits (CD's) at Laona State bank totaling \$439,906.09 along with a CD at Stephenson National Bank for \$105,661.76 for a total of \$1,008,180.95. The town needs to consider the Local Government Investment Pool (LGIP) for funds; the interest rate is 2.42%.

They are fully insured and liquid, so if we need the funds they are not tied up in CD's. These funds need to be marked for projects or spent on improvements. The town cannot levy to create a surplus of funds. An estimate of 25% of our annual budget (\$125,000) should remain in reserve for an emergency fund. State statutes define the board's responsibility to designate public funds. The Board needs to work on a list of projects to use these funds. Road work, bridges and building maintenance are items to be addressed.

The Town did not have enough damage to the bridge located at Old J Road over Otter Creek to qualify for the department of transportation disaster aid. Bruce will

contact Al Geurts with MSA Engineering to do a review of that bridge. The bridge is structurally sound, safe for now. We currently have \$50,000 matching funds available through Marinette County (if we spend \$50,000 they will match \$50,000) we need to use for this year or we will have to reapply. Trout Unlimited can come out this summer to see if we qualify for any funds they may have available. The stream is classified as a Class B trout stream by Trout Unlimited. Supervisor Riana Ventura made a motion *to use MSA Engineering, but pursue other options for funding*, (such as Trout Unlimited) to start working on bridge plan not to exceed \$25,000, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion carried.

Thirty-eight pints of blood were collected at the blood drive that was held on July 1 at the emergency services building. The goal was 24 pints. The next blood drive is scheduled for the last week of December at the emergency services building. The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) updated Bruce with the black bear project. 852 sites recorded hair samples over 10 months.

e. Discussion regarding department, committees and commissions-follow posting and agenda format: Supervisor Riana Ventura referred to Wisconsin Towns Association training, the town board attended in May 2019, that explained that all committees and commissions need to follow the open meetings law. All meetings need to be posted 24 hours in advance, excluding Sundays and holidays, at the town hall, fire department and Red Pine bulletin board. Meeting minutes need to be kept for each meeting. These minutes will be posted on the town's website; each agenda should follow the same format to be consistent and provide detail on agenda items.

f. Cemetery committee: Supervisor Sue Victoreen reported that the cemetery committee met on June 26th, 2019. They had a site visit to the cemetery. They reviewed recording method, 2 person verification, record redundancy, electronic recording and new members.

g. Planning commission-Kenny Buska land swap: The planning commission reviewed a Preliminary Plat for the Harper Woods II subdivision. Michelle Baldwin reported that some changes need to be made to the map, but the plan is ok. The final plat may be ready for the August board meeting. The planning commission

requested the site (Kenny Buska land swap) be staked out to see exactly where property is located. The 29th of July is the next meeting for commission.

At the August meeting, the town board should review the fine schedule as it has not been reviewed in several years. The commission would also like the board to consider raising the fee for individuals who start building before obtaining a permit. The Board needs to review the idea of a 7 person planning commission. The planning commission currently has 5 members.

h. Road committee: Cindy Jonet provided the board with a list of roads that need to be addressed in order of importance.

1. Fix Eagle River Road before blacktop
 - a. Dig out rock buckling road.
 - b. Put down 8-10" pit run.
 - c. Put down 4" gravel.
 - d. Check culvert – repair, replace or ok?
2. **Wolfe Lane** - double chip seal .92 up to power lines.
3. **Dvore Lane** -.16 mile double chip seal. Culvert north of Mckinley, culvert on east side may need replacement.
4. **Tower** - .5 mile blacktop, issue road, Athelstane owns half of road and Silver Cliff owns half.
5. **Old J from Nighthawk to Harper** – Wedge .3 of mile - see if Scott Construction can roll out.
6. **Prework before 2020** - rebuild Cable Camp Road, cut down hills (level out) and do ditching.
7. **Limestone Camp 5 Road 1/8 of mile.** Check with local contractor if limestone was ever done from County I to bridge. Cindy asked if County Hwy Commissioner can be contacted to see if county can assist with road projects.
- i. **Discussion and possible approval to send two road committee members to attend WISLR/PASER training:** A motion was made to send Chairman Bruce Weber and one member of road committee to WISLR/PASER training in Green Bay on July 31. Motion was made by Supervisor Riana Ventura, seconded by Chairman Bruce Weber. Supervisor Sue Victoreen is opposed. This training will help with budgeting and long term road project planning.
- j. **Constable:** Michelle Baldwin reported Scott Baldwin responded to ATV complaints and individuals building without permits. He checked setbacks and driveways and dealt with other complaints, nothing unusual. Supervisor Riana Ventura made a motion to request Constable Scott Baldwin follow up with more detail in

report, like number of complaints (no private Information to be provided), seconded by Chairman Bruce Weber. Supervisor Sue Victoreen abstained from vote.

k. Recycling/garbage: Supervisor Sue Victoreen reported issues with after hours recycling. Marilyn

(recycling attendant) was asked to put an article in the newsletter to inform residents on procedures that need to be followed at the recycling center. Supervisor Riana Ventura has received a number of complaints regarding the garbage curb side pickup. Chairman Bruce Weber has also received a number of complaints. Clerk Dana Weber will check when contract renews for bidding contract out in future. No one is currently taking TV's. Marinette Iron and Metal will take refrigerators. Supervisor Riana Ventura made a motion to pay to have TV's removed, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion carried.

l. Fire department: Beginning balance in checking is \$15,422.22, receipt total \$5,034.60 expenses, total \$6,761.62 for a subtotal of \$13,695.20 in checking account. Balance in savings is \$2,098.99. Balance in cd is \$3,068.04 for a total net balance of \$18,862.23. The fire department responded to one garage fire, one pontoon rollover, assisted rescue squad with lift assists and an ATV accident.

m. Maiden Lake Plumbing invoice for work done at fire department: A motion was made by Chairman Bruce Weber to approve invoice for Maiden Lake Plumbing for \$1,169.30, seconded by Supervisor Riana Ventura. Motion carried.

n. Park pavilion - insurance update: Currently the town has received \$40,000 for pavilion and \$6,400 for damage at the emergency services building. The contractor was paid a total of \$53,691.00 (\$25,000, \$23,291, \$5,400).

o. Town shop light project: Item is tabled for now. No action was taken on this item.

p. Signs on Highway C and Parkway: Chairman Bruce Weber received a request that the signs on southeast corner of Parkway (by Red Pine) be removed. They are located on town right of way. Chairman Bruce Weber requested the planning commission work on a sign ordinance.

8. June vouchers & payment of bills: A motion was made by Supervisor Riana Ventura to approve Check numbers 7070 to 7109, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion carried.

9. Items intended for future meetings: Website update (silvercliffwi.com), public emails, Silver Cliff 100 year celebration.

10. Public comment: Stop sign on Crawford and Tower needs to be moved to Tower Road.

Motion to adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Sue Victoreen at 9:29 pm, seconded by Supervisor Riana Ventura. Motion carried.

August 13, 2019

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bruce Weber at 7 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call: Present board members: Chairman Bruce Weber, Supervisor Sue Victoreen, and Supervisor Riana Ventura

Others Present: Dana L. Weber, Town of Silver Cliff Clerk; Carol Kitchmaster, Town of Silver Cliff Treasurer; and Steffanie Bishop, Town of Silver Cliff Deputy Clerk.

Verification of proper public notice: Agendas were posted at Silver Cliff Town Hall, Fire Department, Red Pine BP, Jungle Jim's, Rustic Inn and Rapids Resort.

Motion to approve the agenda: A motion to approve the agenda was made by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, seconded by Supervisor Riana Ventura. Motion carried.

Consider for approval or other action:

1. Minutes from July 9, 2019, Town Board meeting, after any corrections have been rectified. The minutes from July 9, 2019 need to be amended to reflect that the town board requested Deputy Clerk Steffanie Bishop be placed on the Laona State Bank checking account to sign checks in the event that the Clerk, Dana Weber is unavailable.

Under the cemetery report Supervisor Sue Victoreen requested a change be made that she gave the cemetery report, not Chairman Bruce Weber. A motion was made by Supervisor Riana Ventura, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen to amend the July 9, 2019 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

2. Reports / updates presented: A request was made by Richard Steinhaus to speak to the town board about making some improvements to the shrine located on Benson Lake Road. Chairman Bruce Weber requested Richard contact Marinette County about the improvements, request permission, and present a copy of the improvements being proposed. The planning commission will have to review and approve the improvements.

a. Treasurer's report: Carol Kitchmaster reported a balance in checking of \$19,702.34 and a balance in the money market of \$432,630.51. No change in the CD

totals. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Supervisor Riana Ventura, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion carried.

LGIP Local Government Investment Pool: Chairman Bruce Weber reported on the local government investment pool – vs -a CD account. In an investment pool, the funds are liquid if the town needs them, no

minimum balance is required, and the town can make deposits with checks or wire transfers. Chairman Bruce Weber made a motion to sign a resolution to open an account with the local government investment pool, seconded by Supervisor Riana Ventura. Motion carried.

b. Clerk's report: Attorney update: Dana Weber reported she contacted 7 attorneys for legal services quote. Kim Coggins emailed back a rate of \$195 per hour. The Law Group out of Lakewood called back with a rate of \$200 per hour. The town will use Kim Coggins on any legal matters.

Last month Supervisor Riana Ventura requested the clerk do some research on having 2 signatures on town checks instead of 3. The Wisconsin Towns Association does not recommend the town do that. Having 3 signatures is a good check and balance. The issue came up due to conflicts with monthly meetings and payroll. The clerk will do further research on direct deposit for employees. If meetings need to be rescheduled, the payroll for employees will not be a concern.

c. Chairman's report: Chairman Bruce Weber reported the Silver Cliff Fire and Rescue Auxiliary picnic was a success. Thank you to all the volunteers.

The Smoky the Bear sign is up on the corner of County I and Hwy C. The website is live and we are currently working on the pages. The address is silvercliffwi.com.

The salt and sand order has been placed for this winter; we doubled the order from last year.

Bruce and Cindy attended the WISLR/PASER training at the end of July. The program assists with future planning on the road projects based on the ratings and conditions of roads. It will give us reporting for budgeting purposes for future improvements.

Bruce Weber, Dana Weber and Carol Kitchmaster attended the quarterly WTA meeting held at Wausaukee Town Hall. They reviewed the LRIP program funding; the DOT (Department of

Transportation) is now in charge of where the funds go. The WTA is working to help represent the townships to keep more funds for rural communities. Marinette County has hired a full-time Recreation Deputy, Zak Albrecht. He is hired to monitor boating, snowmobiling, timber land and ATV/UTVs. The County is addressing concerns with ATV/UTV's with an education program to help inform riders of the rules and laws for trail riding.

Discussion regarding moving monthly town board meeting start time from 7 pm to 6 pm: Bruce did a show of hands in the audience asking for vote for a 7pm start for board meetings or a 6 pm start. The majority wanted to keep the 7pm start time for the monthly town board meetings.

Silver Cliff 100 year anniversary: Chairman Bruce Weber has requested the town form a centennial committee, Supervisor Riana Ventura requested they report back to board with any ideas. Updates can be posted on the website. Dee Farley has volunteered to chair the committee.

d. Cemetery committee report: Supervisor Sue Victoreen reported the committee met on July 24th. The resurveying of the cemetery has not been completed yet. The pins need to be located. The committee will work on color coating sections for easy identification. The paperwork needs to be organized along with consideration of making family plots from 8 to 4. The planning commission needs to review the ordinance and check with the county to make sure they are ok with changing the plots. Going forward, the cemetery committee will have a two-person verification for any sales of cemetery plots. The committee does not plan to meet monthly. Supervisor Sue Victoreen would like to discuss the mowing contract for the town at a future meeting. Deputy Clerk Steffanie Bishop reported the town has not had a contract for mowing in the past.

e. Planning commission report: Gary Badem Variance: Michelle Baldwin reported the planning recommends the variance for Gary Badem be approved. Gary needs to do repairs due to damage from the severe winter and has no other options. A motion to approve the variance was made by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, seconded by Chairman Bruce Weber. Motion carried. The board requested a list of criteria so they can be consistent with future variance decisions.

Secluded Land final plat development approval: Paul Gerouz with Secluded Land Company presented the new subdivision Harper Woods II. The planning commission is requesting approval to move forward with plat. A motion to approve the plat was made by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, seconded by Supervisor Riana Ventura. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action regarding citation fine schedule and raising fees for building without permit: Michelle stated at joint meeting with Athelstane and Amberg that they have a \$250 fee for people that start building without a permit and a \$250 fee for building a residence on a garage permit. Chairman Bruce Weber made a motion to have a \$250 fee for building without a permit and a \$250 fee for incorrect use of a permit (using a garage permit as a residence), Supervisor Sue Victoreen seconded. Motion carried. The planning commission will amend the fee schedule.

The 7 member commission was discussed. Supervisor Riana Ventura reviewed the costs if 2 additional members were added. Chairman Bruce Weber explained that the 2 additional members he wanted to add were to review the comprehensive plan that had been prepared for the town years ago; however, that is not the roll of the planning commission, so Bruce is fine with the 5 member commission at this time.

f. Road committee report: Chairman Bruce Weber reported the county commissioner has been very busy with the disaster issues from the storms over the past few weeks. He will try to contact him regarding our road projects and see if the county can still get some items that were recommended by the road committee completed yet this fall. The LRIP program paperwork will be filed by the clerk after the invoice is paid in this month's vouchers.

g. Road work: Paul Whiting reported they are working on hauling gravel for road wash outs. He is getting a quote from Poms for snow tires for plow trucks for winter. Carbide scraper blades have been ordered for the trucks. LED lights need to be installed on trucks and better headlights for plow trucks. Supervisor Riana Ventura reported a contractor did some damage to chip seal on Finch Lane that needs to be fixed.

h. Constable: Michelle Baldwin reported the constable had 1 lost dog, checked on 6 setbacks, assisted with 1 flat tire, 8 phone calls made and 2 letters or email were sent out for a total of 10 hours and 49 minutes of patrolling.

i. Recycling/garbage: Chairman Bruce Weber reported 10 tube TV's have been removed so far; the rest of them will be removed later this week. There is no fee for flat screen TV removal. The fee is \$20 for tube TV's. Supervisor Sue Victoreen will submit the grant application for the recycling.

j. Fire department: Al Welsh reported a quiet month. They assisted with 2 rescue calls, no fires, and one tree

down. On October 5 the fire department will hold an open house for fire prevention month and celebrate Smoky the Bear's 75th birthday. Smoky will be at the fire house from noon until 3 pm. One of the fire trucks was in for a DOT inspection and needed repairs totaling \$21,000. Supervisor Sue Victoreen requested a list of fire department members and their certifications.

k. Parks committee: Lori Paulson reported the annual Fire and Rescue Auxiliary picnic was a great success. A random inspection by the state inspector, Dan Seymour, will occur in the next 4 months; no date for inspection was given.

i. Website update administrator: public emails: Supervisor Riana Ventura reviewed the website and the email addresses for each position that will be listed on website. Riana is working on setting up working sessions to train anyone that has a page on the website, how to update and maintain. Chairman Bruce Weber made a motion to go with the business plan for Google Suite for a total of \$60 per month, seconded by Supervisor Riana Ventura. Motion carried.

Google Suite will assist with document and spreadsheet sharing for multiple users to access and work on.

3. August vouchers & payment of bills #__7110____ to #__7157____: A motion to approve check numbers 7110 to 7157 to include a check for fire truck invoice and Wisconsin Towns Association fall workshop was made by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, seconded by Supervisor Riana Ventura. Motion carried.

4. Operator License-Class B Beer & Liquor License and Cigarette & Tobacco Retail License for Edward Farrell and Victoria Farrell. Operator license for Nicholas Finnell: A motion to issue an operator license class B beer and liquor license along with a license for cigarette and tobacco retail for Edward and Victoria Farrell was made by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, seconded by Supervisor Riana Ventura. Motion carried. A motion to issue an operator license to Nicholas Finnell was made by Supervisor Riana Ventura, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion carried.

5. MSA Engineering Contract: A motion to approve the contract with MSA engineering (\$16,350) to fix the culvert by Old J road over Otter Creek was made by Supervisor Riana Ventura, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion carried.

Supervisor Riana Ventura made a request for MSA engineering to review and address issues with the town

shop. This will be discussed more in detail at the September board meeting.

6. Propane quotes for upcoming year: Supervisor Sue Victoreen made a motion to award the propane contract to Northwoods LP at .94 cents per gallon, seconded by Supervisor Riana Ventura. Motion carried. 5 propane bids were received. Northwoods LP was the lowest.

7. Diesel quotes for upcoming year: Yaeger Oil submitted a diesel quote for \$2.49 per gallon. The town does not have a price locked in for diesel fuel at this time. The town pays the going rate at the time the fuel is purchased. No action was taken on the one quote for diesel fuel.

8. WTA Fall Town Workshops: A motion to send Supervisor Riana Ventura, Clerk, Dana Weber and Treasurer Carol Kitchmaster to the Wisconsin Towns Association fall workshop was made by Chairman Bruce Weber, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion carried.

9. Budget workshop dates for September: A special board meeting will be held on September 16, 2019 at 7 pm to review 2020 proposed budget.

10. Items intended for future meetings: Brush and yard recycling spot at the old town pit.

Public comment: Bob Klicka requested the board take a look at creating a recycling yard waste center at the old town pit.

Motion to adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made at 9:33 pm by Supervisor Riana Ventura, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion carried.

Request from individuals with disabilities who will need special accommodations to participate in this meeting or hearing should be made to the Town Clerk at 715-757-3163 with as much advance notice prior to the meeting as possible.

Special Meeting/Working Session for Website August 15, 2019

Working session for Town of Silver Cliff website:

Chairman Bruce Weber, Supervisor Riana Ventura, Clerk, Dana Weber, Richard Ladd, Jeff DeBauche and Dylan DeBauche were present.

Supervisor Riana Ventura went over posting items to web pages. Riana also explained how each department can access and update their webpage. Training was adjourned at 8 pm.

Special Meeting/Working Session for Website August 20, 2019

Working session for Town of Silver Cliff website:

Chairman Bruce Weber, Supervisor Riana Ventura, Clerk, Dana Weber, Deputy Clerk, Steffanie Bishop, Supervisor Sue Victoreen, and Michelle Baldwin were present.

Supervisor Riana Ventura reviewed the website and the features available, gmail accounts, google docs. Riana also reviewed how to post items on web pages.

Training was adjourned at 8 pm.

Special Meeting/Working Session for Website August 22, 2019

Working session for Town of Silver Cliff website overview and training.

Chairman Bruce Weber, Supervisor Riana Ventura, Supervisor Sue Victoreen and Clerk Dana Weber were present.

Supervisor Riana Ventura reviewed google mail and the website features.

Discussion and possible action regarding road work – Marinette County Highway Department to assist with road projects. A motion was made by Supervisor Riana Ventura, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen to have Marinette County fix the five culverts that were on the road committee list along with getting a quote for Wolfe Lane and Devore Lane. Motion carried.

Training was adjourned at 8 pm.

September 10, 2019

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bruce Weber at 7 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call: Present board members: Chairman Bruce Weber, Supervisor Sue Victoreen, and Supervisor Riana Ventura

Others Present: Dana L. Weber, Town of Silver Cliff Clerk; Carol Kitchmaster, town of Silver Cliff Treasurer; Steffanie Bishop, Town of Silver Cliff Deputy Clerk and 18 residents.

Chairman Bruce Weber asked for a moment of silence for Hank Burkel, who had recently passed away. Hank had served as Chairman and Supervisor and was active in the American Legion Post 66 of Athelstane and Silver Cliff.

Verification of proper public notice: Agendas were posted at Silver Cliff Town Hall, Fire Department, Red Pine BP, Jungle Jim's, Rustic Inn and Rapids Resort.

Motion to approve the agenda: A motion to approve the agenda was made by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, seconded by Supervisor Riana Ventura. Motion carried.

Consider for approval or other action:

1 Minutes from August 15, 2019, August 20, 2019, August 22, 2019, town board meeting, after any corrections have been rectified: A motion to approve all the meeting minutes for August was made by Supervisor Riana Ventura, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion carried.

2 Hugh Guy presented a certified survey map for Kenneth Doersch, personal representative of the estate of James R. Doersch, for property located in part of the Southwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ of Section 15, Town 34 North, Range 17 East Town of Silver Cliff, Marinette County, Wisconsin. A motion was made to approve the certified survey map (CSM) by Supervisor Riana Ventura, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion carried.

Reports / updates presented

a. Treasurer's report: Carol Kitchmaster reported a balance in the checking account of \$37,143.11 and a balance in the money market account of \$350,984.79. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by

Chairman Bruce Weber, seconded by Supervisor Riana Ventura. Motion carried.

A motion to approve Marinette County tax collection was made by Supervisor Riana Ventura, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Riana Ventura to roll Laona State Bank CD (\$139,998.34) into another 5 year

CD for 2.5% interest, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Riana Ventura, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, to give view access to Clerk Dana Weber for the account with Stephenson National Bank. The town currently has a CD with the bank. Motion carried.

b. Clerk's report: Dana Weber reported Laona State Bank will not charge town to direct deposit for only two employees on a bi-weekly basis. A motion was made by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, seconded by Supervisor Riana Ventura, to set up direct deposit, bi-weekly, for the two full-time employees. Motion carried.

UES Computers quoted \$125 to update laptop to windows 10. A motion was made by Supervisor Riana Ventura, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, to update laptop to windows 10.

A motion was made by Supervisor Riana Ventura, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen for the clerk to pursue becoming a notary. Motion carried

The clerk is looking for election workers for next year. The list is due to the election commission every odd year (the more people on the list--the better for backup). Each election worker needs to be a resident of Marinette County. The chief of inspections needs to be a resident of Silver Cliff. Please contact clerk if interested.

c. Chairman's report: Bruce Weber reported having one meeting so far for the 100 year anniversary for the Town of Silver Cliff. They are looking for volunteers to help with logo, ideas, advertising and possible sponsors. A motion was made by Supervisor Riana Ventura, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, to allow up to \$50 to run an ad for volunteers. Motion carried. The website also can be used as a resource.

A motion was made by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, seconded by Chairman Bruce Weber, to order 3 United

States flags, 3 state flags and 3 town flags if we have funds available in contingency fund. Motion carried.

d. Cemetery committee report: The cemetery committee did not meet. No report was given.

e. Planning commission report: Michell Baldwin requested a variance for Spaulding/Forman for shop garage located at W15231 Old J road. They are requesting 60 feet from center of Old J Road. A motion was made by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, seconded by

Supervisor Riana Ventura, to approve variance. Motion carried.

Kathy Schaefer is requesting an approval for a 1969 mobile home to be moved from Crivitz to her property location at N12383 Red Rock Road, Silver Cliff. The mobile home has already been inspected. The planning commission recommends approval for the mobile home that will replace her previous mobile home that had been damaged by snow over the past winter. A motion was made by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, seconded by Supervisor Riana Ventura, to approve moving the mobile home. Motion carried.

f. Road committee report: Chairman Bruce Weber reported the road committee will meet next week to do road ratings for WISLR/PASER, a report that is due October 1, 2019.

g. Road work: The county is scheduled to meet with road crew to work on culverts that need to be replaced: Tower Road, Eagle River Road and Vetter lane. The county is also going to asphalt the 60 foot section on Old J Road that previously had been graveled. The county can only charge the tow time and materials for work.

h. Constable: Michelle Baldwin reported Scott patrolled 10 hours and 22 minutes. He responded to 3 dog complaints, 9 ATV complaints, 5 building permit issues, assisted with the ATV accident, and rode in the parade. He directed one trespassing complaint to the sheriff's department.

i. Recycling/garbage: The board has not had time to review the request of a brush drop off site at the Nighthawk pit location.

j. Fire department: Chief Al Walesh reported a quiet month; they responded to 3 calls: a tree down on Brandywine Lane, a fire on Hwy C and an ATV accident. They also responded to one call on September 10th for a lost person in the woods. Supervisor Sue Victoreen requested a list of the fire department members and their certifications.

k. Parks committee: Lori Paulson reported the insurance representative needs to look over park. The park budget will be submitted to the clerk this week.

3. September vouchers & payment of bills #7158 to #7203. A motion was made by Supervisor Riana Ventura, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, to approve the vouchers to be paid for September. Motion carried.

The board needs to look at spending limits for maintenance items. The electors have not set a spending limit. The Wisconsin Towns Association (WTA)

can be a resource for board to see the best way to handle this in the future.

4. MSA Engineering Contract: MSA Engineering is currently working on the Otter Creek culvert project. They are working on a timeline, getting all the information needed to move forward on the replacement of the culvert; however, they are 12 months out currently and recommended Gries Architectural Group Inc. to do a study of the town building. A special meeting will be held on Saturday, September 14, 2019, at 10am with Gries to review town shop.

A motion was made by Supervisor Riana Ventura, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, to have the heater repaired at the town shop, not to exceed \$1,000. Motion carried

5. Review lawn mowing agreement: The Clerk contacted Mike with Little Creek Lawn Care regarding a contract with the town. Mike said the town does not have a contract with him at this time. The agreement in the past has always been a verbal agreement.

6. Reschedule October board meeting: Supervisor Riana Ventura made a motion to reschedule the October 8th Board meeting to Wednesday, October 16, 2019 at 7 pm, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion carried.

7. Budget workshop dates for October: A budget workshop meeting will be scheduled on October 29th, 2019 at 7pm at Silver Cliff Town Hall, located at N11929 County Road I Silver Cliff, WI 54104.

8. Items intended for future meetings: The same meeting agenda format needs to be followed for all town meetings. A template will be available for all departments to follow.

Public comment: Bill Stankevich, District 5 County Supervisor, reported the county is moving the parks department from under the forestry to the maintenance department. The county board is proposing adding one more recreational officer, for a

total of two officers, to the recreation department which will be discussed at Wednesday's meeting. Watch the Peshtigo Times for the update on the county board meeting

Michelle Baldwin requested the school signs located on Boat Landing 11 Road be removed. There are no schools located in that area anymore. The road crew will remove those signs later this week.

Motion to adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made at 8:47 pm by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, seconded by Supervisor Riana Ventura. Motion carried.

Request from individuals with disabilities who will need special accommodations to participate in this meeting or hearing should be made to the Town Clerk at 715-757-3163 with as much advance notice prior to the meeting as possible.

Special Town Meeting for the purpose of evaluation of town buildings and site management 9-14-2019.

Call to order: Meeting was called to order by Chairman Bruce Weber at 10:00 AM

Roll Call: Present board members were Chairman Bruce Weber, Supervisor Riana Ventura.

Others present: Steve Gries – owner of Gries Architecture, Rick and Paul from the town road crew.

Proper public notice was given with posting of agendas at three locations – SC Town Hall, Fire Department and Red Pine BP.

Chairman Bruce Weber gave an overview of the scope of project we wanted to pursue to Steve Gries. Riana provided feedback with her definition of the proposed scope. After discussion we agreed that we wanted to pursue a 50,000 foot view of all land and buildings to include the town shop, salt shed, metal pole building, recycling center, town hall and fire dept. with the understanding that the main focus would be from the recycling center to the salt shed and back to the pole shed.

We conducted a walk around and tour of the land available and all buildings pointing out some of the major issues we are facing with the deterioration of these buildings.

Steve Gries gave an overview of their company and some of the projects they had done or are working on including buildings in the towns of Breed, Lakewood, Mountain, Townsend, and Menasha.

After viewing the buildings Steve stated that there are significant deficiencies in the town shop and salt shed that would make cost of repairs prohibitive. He also stated that there were some serious OSHA issues that must be addressed.

Steve said his recommended course of action would be for his company to put together a bid that would include

studies for all buildings and land optimization. From that comprehensive plan the Town of Silver Cliff could decide which pieces of that plan we wanted to pursue. The cost would be broken down by segments so we could make an informed decision. The process would start with a standard questionnaire that the Town would fill out so his company had a clear understanding of what our objectives would be. They would then draw up this comprehensive plan in the form of a bid and we would select any portion of the proposed plan that we wanted to pursue.

Riana asked if he could have some preliminary cost numbers done for the bid and also a ballpark figure for construction of a new shop and salt shed by October 16th. This was requested so we can try to get some general numbers for budgeting purposes. Steve said he would do his best to get us some of this information within that timeframe.

Minutes were prepared by Chairman Bruce Weber

September 16, 2019

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bruce Weber at 7 p.m.

Roll call: Present board members: Chairman Bruce Weber, Supervisor Sue Victoreen, and Supervisor Riana Ventura.

Others Present: Dana L. Weber, Town of Silver Cliff Clerk; Carol Kitchmaster, Town of Silver Cliff Treasurer; and Steffanie Bishop, Town of Silver Cliff Deputy Clerk

Verification of proper public notice: Agendas were posted at Silver Cliff Town Hall, Fire Department, Red Pine BP, Jungle Jim's, Rustic Inn and Rapids Resort.

1. 2020 Budget workshop: The board received a number of reports from Town Hall Software summarizing the year to date for each department.

A number of items were discussed, shoveling for town hall, fire department, LED lights for plow trucks, LED lights for the town hall parking lot, 100 year centennial for next year.

Motion to adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made at 8:51 pm by Chairman Bruce Weber, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion carried.

September 24-2019

Special Town Meeting to have road committee ride all roads and update pavement ratings and physical inventory attributes

Call to order: Meeting was called to order by Chairman Bruce Weber at 8:00 AM

Roll Call: Present board members were Chairman Bruce Weber (road committee chairman)

Others road committee members present: Cindy Jonet, Larry Jonet, and Jeff DeBauche.

Proper public notice was given with posting of agendas at three locations – SC Town Hall, Fire Department and Red Pine BP.

Chairman Bruce Weber gave an overview of the scope of project and handed out materials to help with the ratings. Each member was given the 2017 rating sheet, informational brochures that gave detailed descriptions of each rating for gravel, asphalt, and chip seal pavement surfaces, and a sheet that gave the rating scale for each type of pavement surface. All members rode in Chairman Weber's vehicle. We spent the next 8 hours riding each roadway segment – from 8AM to 4PM. Each road segment was reviewed utilizing the rating diagrams in our handout materials and final rating was agreed upon by all members. The next step is for Chairman Weber to enter all new ratings in the WISLR/PASR website and submit before the 11th of October.

After ratings are submitted cost data will be updated in the system and preliminary budget reports will be printed for the town board to review.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00. Next meeting will be scheduled when all data is entered.

Minutes were prepared by Chairman Bruce Weber

SILVER CLIFF HOLIDAY BLOOD DRIVE

**Mark your calendars for our bi-annual blood drive.
Monday December 30, 2019**

12 noon – 5 pm

Complimentary soup, sandwiches and desserts will be provided for all donors.

Give a gift of love and life this holiday season.

OUR WONDERFUL TOWN PARK

As many of you are aware, there have been a lot of improvements at our town park. Some people have been involved in maintaining the grounds itself. Now we are looking for people who are willing to help improve the flowers, trees, bushes and, of course, get rid of the weeds that tend to hide the beauty of our grounds. We have some volunteers who are willing to help, but we can use more. Any master gardeners who would like an area to work, we have a very nice park that just cries for assistance.

If you are interested, contact Karen Ladd at 715-504-0031 or Lori Paulson at 715-757-2593. With fall and winter approaching, you have time to think about helping.

Thank you in advance.

WE NEED YOUR HELP 2020 CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

The town of Silver Cliff is in the initial phase of planning a celebration to commemorate 100 years since Jack Boettcher and his sister, Flora, initiated a petition in May of 1920 to officially change the name of the territory, known as Rat River, to what is now known as Silver Cliff.

To share our history and demonstrate pride in our community, we are planning to have a 3 to 4 day celebration, beginning on approximately August 5th of 2020 to coincide with our annual Silver Cliff Fire & Rescue Picnic that is scheduled for August 8th of 2020.

An event of this size will require the time and talents of many volunteers. We have established an initial committee to begin the planning process, but would like

to get any many volunteers as possible at these planning meetings to discuss ideas and to take ownership of specific tasks.

Some initial events or ideas you may want to get involved with include:

- *Centennial logo design
- *Parade (looking for bands and many floats)
- *Music (bands) for the PM on August 8th
- *Fireworks (want to plan for Friday the 7th)
- *Collection and presentation of historical information (family info, businesses, native people, work, etc.)

- *Merchandising – shirts, coins, souvenirs, etc. with centennial logo
- *Craft Show
- *Reprint of centennial booklet
- *Ice Cream Social
- *Fun events (beard contest, retro clothing for 10 decades, tour bus (old buildings, prison camp, etc.)

We are looking for new ideas, creative ideas and talented people to take charge of these events.

Our next meeting will be November 7th at 4:00 pm at the Town Hall Building.

You can also contact Dee Farley at 920-810-2664 or Bruce Weber at 920-461-9938 to get additional information.

Please help us make this a spectacular and fun community building event.

A WONDERFUL FRUIT

Who would have imagined that a simple piece of fruit could contain various helpful items that assist our body to maintain a healthy system? Yet, when you realize a banana contains vitamins and minerals, among other elements that help your body in many ways, it becomes interesting.

Vitamin B6 helps to keep blood sugar levels as well as helping to create hemoglobin. Because a banana is sweet and filling, the Vitamin 6 can aide in weight loss. The potassium in this fruit helps to keep proper heart functioning.

Bananas have shown to increase white blood cell count to help fight infections and protect our immune system. This can help keep us healthy.

Did you know that bananas can maintain your mood balance, which can help reduce stress level? I am sure we all need this at some time or another.

What other fruit can utilize its peel to help the body? Banana peels have moistness effect on the skin. It has been shown that the inside of the peeling can sooth the irritated skin by rubbing that area. This lowly fruit seems to becoming somewhat of a super hero, doesn't it?

Many years ago a jingle had a cute way of telling about bananas. It ended it's song with "Never put bananas in the refrigerator, oh no, no". The reason for that jingle was to let you know that bananas are tropical fruits and would lose their flavor and discolor after chilling.

For only 100 calories, this banana can be very appealing. Go ahead and enjoy it. Your body will thank you for eating a healthy fruit.

THE RUSTIC

Besides our normal hours, we will be open at 8:00 AM November 22nd to December 1st for breakfast.

There will be daily specials for lunch and dinner every day during deer season, except on Fridays because of the fish fry.

Happy hour will be Monday – Thursday from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM.

We will be closed December 24th and 25th and reopen on December 26th.

New Year's Eve we will be open from 11:00 AM to close.

Our Early New Year's Eve Party, Dec. 31st, with Donna's Karaoke, will start at 4:00 PM. HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!!!

Have a great holiday season!!!

WHAT IS A VETERAN?

A "Veteran" - whether active duty, discharged, retired or reserve – is someone who, at one point in their life, made a check payable to the United States of America for an amount of up to and including my life".

Author Unknown

It is the **VETERAN**, not the preacher, who has given us freedom of religion.

It is the **VETERAN**, not the reporter, who has given us freedom of the press.

It is the **VETERAN**, not the poet, who has given us freedom of speech.

It is the **VETERAN**, not the lawyer, who has given us the right to a fair trial.

It is the **VETERAN**, not the politician, who has given us the right to vote.

It is the **VETERAN**, who salutes the flag, who serves under the Flag, whose coffin is draped by the Flag.

Charles M. Province

HAPPY 90th BIRTHDAY to our (Carmen, Monty, Matthew & Jamie) Beautiful & Loving Aunt and my (Pat's), Beautiful, sweet and loving sister-in-law, Edith (Betts) Smith (October 29th)!! You're not 90 – you're 18 with 72 years of experience, and you are fit as a fiddle and have many more years to celebrate. W have many great memories of times spent with you over the years. Happy Birthday, we love you bunches and bunches Xoxoxox--- Pat and Carmen

Ninety

What—I'm turning 90?!

Oh my Heaven and Stars!

It's the new 60 to be!

I've captured my youth & put it in jars.

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Chocolate Raspberry Crumb Bars

Ingredients

- ** 1 cup butter softened
- ** 2 cups flour
- ** ½ cup packed brown sugar
- ** 2 cups chocolate chips, divided
- ** 1-14 oz can sweetened condensed milk
- ** 1/3 to ½ cup seedless raspberry jam

Instructions

1. PREHEAT oven to 350 degrees . Grease 13 x 9 pan
2. BEAT butter in large mixer bowl until creamy. Beat

In flour and sugar until crumbly. Press 1 ¾ cups crumb mixture onto bottom of prepared baking pan; reserve the remaining mixture.

3. BAKE for 10 to 12 minutes or until edges are golden brown.
4. MICROWAVE 1 cup chocolate chips and sweetened condensed milk in a microwave-safe bowl on high for 30 seconds. Stir until chocolate chips are melted smoothly. Spread evenly over hot crust.
5. SPRINKLE reserved crumb mixture evenly over bars. Drop teaspoonfuls of raspberry jam over crumb mixture. Sprinkle with remaining chocolate chips.
6. BAKE for 25 to 30 minutes or until center is set. Loosen around the edges, cool completely in pan on a wire rack. Cut into bars.

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Also, we would like to thank those who send monetary donations or paper for the newsletter. It is always appreciated, as our money is limited.

Please direct any comments regarding this or future newsletters or articles for printing to Ann Wender at W13214 County Road C, Silver Cliff, WI 54104 - **715-757-2575** or to Barb VanBoxtel at N11876 Betts Lane, Silver Cliff, WI 54104 - **920-676-9810**.

REMINDER --- I will be sending out letters for renewal of ads the second week in December. They will be due by January 30th. If I don't receive payment by the 30th, there is no guarantee your ad will be in the February issue.

Thank you for your support for The Silver Cliff Newsletter. We appreciate it.

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS OUT TO BARB VANBOXTEL

THE DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT NEWSLETTER WILL BE JANUARY 15TH 2020.

Thank you again for your thoughts, comments and news articles.

Barb and Anne



Happy Thanksgiving



Happy Holidays