



MINUTES OF THE TOWN BOARD MEETING February 8, 2024

Call meeting to order, Pledge of Allegiance, and announcement of meeting notice. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Hartwig. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Clerk Eichner confirmed the meeting notification.

Roll call. Town Chairman Robert Hartwig, Supervisors Dave Behringer, Steve Fischer, Marcy Bishop, and Joe Kufahl were present. Also, present was Attorney Tim Andringa, Treasurer Monica Diaz, Zoning Administrator Jim Micech, and Clerk Bob Eichner.

Approval of the agenda. Motion by Kufahl, seconded by Bishop, to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of the minutes. Motion by Bishop, seconded by Fischer, to approve the minutes for the January 11, 2024 Town Board Meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

Resident comment on any agenda item. Ross Bishop, 1736 Mill Road raised concerns about the most recent town reaction to the January snowstorm. Mr. Bishop stated that Mill Road was not plowed until mid-morning the day after the storm began and that he had heard that some roads were not plowed for 24 hours after the storm began. To get to his other farm properties, Mr. Bishop said he had to plow a portion of Maple Road several times during the two days of the storm due to drifting. Mr. Bishop also reported heavy drifting on Western Ave to Chairman Hartwig. Mr. Bishop requested that the Town Board make a concerted effort to review the policies and personnel that work during snow events. He feels that the Town should be doing a better job of reacting to storm events and the days following the events.

There were no other comments.

Washington County Sheriff Liaison report – No report; Deputy Wright was not present.

Jackson Fire Department Report – Clerk Eichner presented Chief Swaney's January Call report for the Town. There were 16 calls, including 3 car accidents, 1 fire alarm, and 1 silo fire. The Department has started an Engine Committee to replace a 2005 Pierce Engine in 2027. There is a 2-year backlog for fire and emergency vehicles.

Discussion and possible action – Consideration of Memorandum of Understanding: RE: Lannon Stone Products – Town of Cedarburg Site for Disposal of Spoils and Overburden from Quarry Operations. – Motion by Behringer, seconded by Bishop, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding, subject to the approval of the amended Conditional use for the amended Reclamation Plan by the Parks & Planning Commission on February 28, 2024. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion and possible action – Consideration of the dates for 2024 Open Book and Board of Review. Clerk Eichner reported that the 2024 Open Book will be April 26, 2024 from Noon to 2pm and the Initial Board of Review will be May 22, 2024 from 6pm to 8pm. Both events will take place at Jackson Town Hall. No action taken.

Update, discussion, and possible action – Update on and consideration of the RFP for new Town Attorney selection. Motion by Fischer, second by Kufahl, to retain the legal services of Arenz, Molter, Macy, Riffle, Larson, & Bitar, Remzy Bitar and Paul Alexy Attorneys, as municipal attorney beginning May 1, 2024. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion and possible action – Consideration of placement of a stop signs at the intersection of Fiesta Court and El Camino Drive. Motion by Bishop, second by Behringer, to place a stop sign on Fiesta Court at El Camino Drive and an advance Stop Ahead sign on Fiesta Court. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion only – Consideration of size and type of material used for chip sealing. Chairman Hartwig led a discussion on the size of aggregate used in sealcoating. The consensus of the Board is that the town should do a survey of other communities and counties as to the size and type of aggregate used prior to letting this year's contract. No other action taken.

Discussion, and possible action – Town Hall Barroom remodel update, rental fee, and liquor license holder. – Motion by Bishop, second by Behringer to charge a onetime \$100 additional to the standard rental fee, (total \$350) for use of the bar and Upper Hall for their event of February 23, 2024. Motion carried 5-0. This item will be placed on future agendas to discuss the operation and standard rental fee for use of the bar during events.

Update, discussion, and possible action – Consideration of Tractor Loader/Backhoe. Hartwig and Fischer will tour dealers on February 12th to obtain prices and availability of a replacement tractor loader/backhoe. The consensus of the Board is that this is the number one item for replacement. No further action was taken.

Update, discussion, and possible action – Consideration of Skid Loader. Hartwig and Fischer will also investigate pricing and availability for a replacement Skid Loader. No further action was taken.

Washington County Board Report. Six County employees including 3 sheriff deputies were recognized for years of service. The County held a special meeting to approve changes to CTH M reconstruction. The County Executive held the annual funding meeting. ANR pipeline replacement is tentatively set for May to October 2025.

Treasurer's report. The Treasurer's report and facility rental report were presented. We have collected \$5,100 in rental fees this year to date. \$4.4 million in taxes has been collected, which is about 70% of taxes due, and 377 dog tags and 901 transfer station placards were issued. Last year we sold 946 placards. Checks for the February settlement will be issued next week, totaling \$2.6 million. Diaz will be on vacation the week of February 19th.

Ground's report. No report.

Noxious Weeds report. No report.

Building's report. The salt shed has been repaired but there are some concerns with the work that the building inspector should look at. The toilets in the restrooms of the Upper Hall have been replaced. Behringer called Pinot builders for a quote on the transfer station roof replacement and asked for a quote from Bender Builders.

Transfer Station report. Bishop was at the Transfer Station on the 3rd and sent ten residents' home because they did not have their placard yet, as well as village residents. Most of those turned away understood why and got their placards this week. We are still trying to get the license plate camera operational.

Equipment Manager report – One of the trucks, #18, went down during the snowstorm. Broke a mirror and windshield on one of the trucks. One of our operators backed up into a van. Wore a cutting edge off one of the plows. Plowing with the small truck because a big one was out for repairs. Two trucks got stuck in the storm causing delays. Truck 18 needs its frame welded.

Highway/Chairman's report. The board members were given a copy of the highway report due to the length of the report. Hartwig attended the WTA district meeting for BOR certification, and they also presented info on the new culvert inventory 6-feet to 20-feet.

Zoning Administrators Report. Micech has been discussing the erosion control permit with ANR. He toured Cedar Jacks. There is a lot of renovation to be done. They have done some work without a permit. They are hoping to have the bar open in mid-March. Micech and Stantec have been working with Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School's engineer on the site plan for the school's expansion project. The biggest concern is the access to the addition from Sherman Road. Tony Matuszczak will be submitting a revised Preliminary Plat for Windmill Trace on Maple Road soon. He had high ground water issues to overcome. Micech will be on vacation from February 16th to the 26th.

Clerk's report Clerk contacted Scott Schmidt regarding the new culvert inventory. A \$100/culvert reimbursement will be given to whoever does the inventory. Once the inventory is complete, the county would inspect them with the bridges. The application for LRIP funds for Sherman Road is submitted. There is a new State program Ag roads improvement program (ARIP) \$150 million for improvements to Class B and weight restricted roads used for Ag purposes. Western Avenue might be a suitable candidate for this program.

Communications and announcements. Received a letter from Mark Heuer, 2437 Magna Vista Drive asking if the transfer station placards could be added to the tax bills and the town just send new placards when available. He also recommended charging more than the current rate with the additional proceeds going toward cleanup of the Transfer Station/Recycling Center.

Review of bills and authorization of payment. Motion by Bishop, seconded by Behringer to approve the vouchers as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Adjournment. Motion by Behringer, seconded by Fischer, to adjourn at 9:10 pm. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert M Eichner
Robert M. Eichner, Clerk
Approved: March 14, 2024

Robert H Hartwig
Robert Hartwig, Chairman