

TOWN OF LAKESIDE

Regular Board Meeting February 9, 2021

Agenda:

1. Meeting: Called to order by Chairman Scott Luostari at 6:31 pm.
2. Roll Call: Present: Tom Schnepfer, Mark Saari, Nova Nordrum, Tracy Ruppe, Hope Nordrum, Gary Peterson, Brian Stockinger, Supervisor Mary Peterson, Supervisor Jon Winter, Chairman Scott Luostari, Treasurer Vicki Luostari and Clerk Ruth Ann Schnepfer (zoom).
3. County Board: Scott-Transportation meeting, Jason presented a letter explaining what the highway department has been up to. They have been doing maintenance, brushing, filling potholes, and moving snowbanks. All 2020 equipment has been received, they are currently fully staffed. Emergency Maintenance is going to rent a section of office space in the Hawthorne building. No COVID so far, budget looking good. Meetings were in a slight hiatus. 2/22 Forestry, 2/23 Land Development, 3/4 Admin, 3/9 Timber sale, 3/10 Zoning and 3/18 County board. The current deer farm situation to be discussed at the zoning meeting.
4. Town Board Report: none
5. Approval of Minutes: Jon motioned to approve the January 12 meeting minutes, Mary seconded, carried 6:34 pm.
6. Treasurer report: Vicki presented, Jon motioned to approve the treasurer report, Mary seconded, carried 6:35 pm.
7. Approval of January Bills: Jon motioned to approve the January checks 23031-23075 + EFTs as presented, Mary seconded, carried 6:37 pm.
8. Approval of February bills for payment: Jon motioned to pay the February bills, checks 23080-23097, Mary seconded, carried 6:38 pm.
9. Correspondence:
 - a) Timber notice for the 40 acres on Peterson Road
 - b) WITC board openings letter
 - c) Tom Smith request for reimbursement for collection charges

Department and Committee reports

10. Fire Department: Nova-application for county emergency grant. Association meeting resolved some of the training. Been busy so far this year. **Reminder** it is fire season: make sure all chimneys are clean, Fire detectors and CO2 detectors are working properly, have fresh batteries and are cleaned regularly (have a 7–10-year life span). Engine committee still gathering making lists, getting prices, so they have a ballpark

idea. Low on members with one more retiring. They are still working on converting the Enbridge truck to a brush truck. Also looking for water rescue equipment. There was a snowmobile accident down on the river, she thanked all the residents who offered help. Still working on the pumping/cascade system. They only had 4 filled air bottles, as no one had time set up and go fill the rest. The info that Scott had provided them for the system, was for to old of a model. Jon made a motion to approve the purchase of a fill/cascade system up to the dollar amount of \$18,000 (to come out of their savings), Scott seconded, Mary looking for more info, motion carried 6:53 pm. Question was asked as to how long it takes to fill the 20 bottles-couple of hours.

11. Town Employees and roads: Mark-sanding, plowing, currently have the dump truck apart to fix the blower motor. It is still **illegal** to plow snow across town, county and state roads, multiple residents are doing this. Other equipment ok at this time. Returned to this subject at the end of the meeting in regards to Wilderness Road-Scott talked to the Register of Deeds, to find out when/if it existed as a road and what if any easements are attached. Scott went back there, and it looks like there may have been some sort of road/trail a long time ago. Mike Grube wants access. Scott has consulted the towns association and has gotten multiple answers on the town's responsibility. WI statute 82.19(2) states that if there has been no vehicular traffic for over 5 years is considered a discontinued road. It was stated that many years ago the board decided to discontinue it as a town road. All documentation is currently being reviewed by the towns lawyer, as we want to make sure we know all of the options/responsibilities.

12. Building permits:

a) Resident at 3144 S Poplar River Road modified a garage and building without a permit. **Reminder**: building permits are required in Douglas County and are required for any type of container as well.

Public Comment

Old Business

13. Other old business: none

New Business

14. Town truck: The town pickup is running on its last legs, looking at costs for a different one, with a plow. Scott requested information from Links in Minong, Chevy & Dodge. So far Links is the only one that has responded. 2021 F-350, 4X4, for \$31,000 town cost, they can put a 9-foot plow on for a total of \$38,700. The board decided to wait another month to see if any of the other dealers respond. Part of the SVL balance could be used for the truck. Question was raised as to make sure truck/plow are strong enough for town use.

15.Grader: Talking about a grader again, we have been looking at replacing the grader for many years. John Deere & Caterpillar possibly can do another presentation in April or May.

Motion to adjourn made by Jon, seconded by Mary, carried 7:11 pm.

Location: Town Hall,
Collection Site, online

Respectfully submitted by:
Ruth Ann Schnepfer, Clerk
2/25/2021

These minutes are posted as **unapproved**.