

TOWN OF LAKESIDE

Regular Board Meeting Tuesday April 8, 2025

1. Meeting called to order by Chairperson Scott Luostari at 6:32pm
2. Roll Call: Chairperson Luostari, Supervisor Tutor, Supervisor Peterson, treasurer O'Hara, Clerk Winter, Members of the public list at end of report.
3. February Minutes read by Luostari, Motion by Tutor, Second by Luostari, motion carried
4. Treasurer's report given by O'Hara, Motion by Peterson, Second by Tutor, motion carried
5. Confirmation of previous months bills, Motion by Tutor, Second by Peterson, motion carried
6. Current bills for payment, Motion by Tutor, Second by Peterson, motion carried
7. Match Minutes read by Luostari, Motion by Peterson, Second by Tutor, motion carried
8. Correspondence, Job posting Douglas County Highway seasonal labor, Douglas County Zoning Meeting Notification nothing for Lakeside on the agenda, ATV Trail Map received Lakeside had not changes, Brule head start flyer, Board of Adjustments meets April 23rd two public hearing listed none are in the Town of Lakeside, received the Town Sheriff's report.
9. Public Comments: Town resident ask about communication with former clerk, there has been no response from phone messages left or emails sent. A certified letter was mailed was Clerk – Winter. Questions from several residents on Town Audit and the possibility of a citizens committee formed. Town resident had a question regarding filing a freedom of information act request. Town residents commented about budget and posting for part-time position and increase in compensation for full time employee. Town resident offered assistance to help with organizing town files.
10. County Board report. County agenda included discussion regarding funds remaining after the sale of properties taken for back taxes after expenses. Land and Development Hwy W temporary easement Nemadji Bridge area, approved annual fee of \$200 for Duluth Superior model airplane club to use old Parkland Health facility property. Fairgrounds and race track contracts could change to one management group from one as an option contracts will be up in December, surcharge increase and fees for camping on grounds also discussed. Forest, park, and rec committee, three active timber sales, tree planting contact, 15 annual reports, discussion on extending timber sales. Transportation committee approved design of Nemadji River bridge. Approve capital improvement projects, discussion on 4-way stop county F and Degerman Road near substation. Working on policy for signs on forestry properties in the right of way for businesses. Maintenance department vacancies, working bridges, brushing, and patching.

11. Town of Board Reports. Chairperson Luostari updating DUNS number information. Clerk Winter reported completing setup of QuickBooks online and payroll has started to use this month.
12. Fire Department. Fire Chief Nordrum, 1 wildland fire assisted by Poplar and Amnicon Departments, currently have 13 members including 3 probationary members. Two members are close to completing their Entry Level Fire Parts A&B classes. Working on finishing inverter replacement to allow for the extra power load of equipment. Looking for approval of 800 feet of new hose, ordering 2 additional nozzles, waiting on quotes for turnout gear, helmets, and boots. Members attended in house training at the Maple High School. Members also attended annual Pipeline training in Iron River. Annual elections held. Your officers for 2025 are Chief Nova Nordrum, 1st Assistant Chief Martin Pflug, 2nd Assistant Chief Robert Dahlberg, Captain Dylan Helget, and Secretary/Treasurer Heather Helget. Will have a demo on Thermal Imaging Cameras. The department is also looking for standards from the board regarding budget and spending. Supervisor Tutor motioned to accept quote for Hose Replacement from \$1904.00 to be funded from ARPA funds Seconded by Luostari, motion carried.
13. Town employees and roads. Collection site employee resigned. Hired new temp guy to see how he works out. Grading roads and steaming culverts. Road survey set for Wednesday April 16th and 10am will include road survey, collection site employee, and full-time employee compensation on the agenda.
14. Fire engine, no update
15. Dump Truck, no update
16. Security Cameras, Northland Fire and Safety has not been out yet to give quote.
17. Town Audit 11,500 - \$14,000 cost, have received one quote need one more. Need to decide on type of audit, year(s) to audit, audit reasons include our accounting practices and funds are properly spent with documentation and approval. Need to gather all necessary Town records include any records that may still be in the possession of the former Town Clerk.
18. Election results, Luostari read the oath, Oaths signed by all board members and filed with Clerk. Clerk's oath signed by Winter and filed with Treasurer.
19. Annual meeting will be April 15th and 6:30pm, next Board meeting May 13th at 6:30pm. Motion to adjourn by Supervisor Tutor and Second by Chairperson Luostari at 7:45pm

Submitted by Clerk Winter

4/13/2025

Location: Town Hall, Collection Site, Website

These minutes are posted as unapproved