



## Town Board Meeting Minutes - APPROVED

Date: Tuesday, October 29, 2024

**Time:** 8:00 a.m.

**Location:** Fire Station 2801 Ward Ave, La Crosse, WI 54601

**Present:** Chairperson Tim Candahl, Supervisors Marlene Heal, Tim Padesky, Tim Ehler and Renee Knutson, Administrator Christina Peterson and Treasurer Melissa Erdman.

**Absent:** Fortune Berg

**Attendance List:** Greg Marco (Shrine of Guadalupe), Fr. Edward Nemeth (Shrine of Guadalupe), Robert Lynn (Sanitary District #2)

1. Meeting called to order by Candahl at 8:00 a.m..

- 2. <u>Minutes from 10/15/2024.</u> Knutson suggested a few grammatical changes. Motion by Knutson to approve the minutes from 10/15/2024, second by Padesky. Motion carried unanimously.
- 3. <u>Bills Payable.</u> Knutson and Heal had a few questions on bills. Motion by Heal to accept closed invoices for \$800,830.00, second by Knutson. Motion by Heal to pay open invoices for \$64,279.65, second by Knutson. Motion carried unanimously.
- 4. <u>Public Comment None</u> (Ehler arrived at 8:08 a.m.)
- 5. <u>CSM Shrine of Our Lady Guadalupe.</u> Peterson reported on the response from the Town Attorney, who did not have any concerns. Motion by Heal to approve CSM, second by Padesky. Motion carried unanimously. Town will send draft minutes to the City of La Crosse.
- 6. Sale of Fire Trucks. Candahl reported that the gear box for the pump on the 1986 Ford General Pumper Engine blew out. Assistant Chief Proksch will request an estimate to repair. The Board gave approval to spend up to \$4000 to repair the gear box with approval for more at the discretion of the Administrator. Motion by Heal to approve, second by Ehler. Motion carried unanimously. The Board then favored the idea of disclosing the issue but selling without repair. Motion by Heal, second by Knutson to sell trucks "as-is" through auction or fixed price method with a minimum of \$12,000 for the tanker and a minimum of \$14,000 for the engine. Motion carried unanimously.

- 7. <u>Hwy 14/61 Sidewalk</u>. The recommendation letter from CBS Squared was reviewed. Motion by Heal to award bid to Pember Companies, Inc., second by Knutson. Motion carried. Ehler abstained.
- 8. Resolutions Numbering Revision. Peterson recommended to repeal Resolution 2024-5 since the Loan Paperwork was redone and required a new Resolution. She also recommended to re number the September 3, 2024 Resolution Authorizing the Town to Execute a Stormwater Easement Agreement 2024-7 instead of 2024-6. Motion by Padesky to approve, second by Knutson. Motion carried Unanimously.
- 9. <u>Budget</u>. Peterson explained the updated Capital Improvement Plan and the proposed 2025 budget. (Ehler left at 9:15). Candahl went over his list of project priorities and ideas for potential budget cuts. The Board instructed Peterson to look into the following for future consideration: Get a quote for street sweeping from La Crosse County, look for grants for generators, ask DNR about old landfill regulations related to brush drop-off site, look for grants for tennis courts. (Heal left 9:40 a.m.). Peterson gave an overview of fund balance, loan need, and levy limit.
- 10. <u>Adjourn</u>. Motion by Padesky to adjourn at 10:17 a.m., second by Knutson. Motion carried Unanimously.