



Town Board Meeting Minutes - APPROVED

Date: Tuesday, December 10, 2024

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: 2800 Ward Ave, La Crosse, WI 54601

Present: Chairperson Tim Candahl, Supervisors Marlene Heal, Tim Ehler and Renee Knutson,

Administrator Christina Peterson, Treasurer Melissa Erdman, and Clerk Fortune Berg.

Absent: Supervisor Tim Padesky.

Attendance List: Steve Peplinski (W5655 State Road 33 #37).

- 1. Meeting called to order by Candahl at 5:00 p.m.
- 2. <u>Minutes from 11/19/2024.</u> Knutson pointed out a typo under 13(i). Motion by Knutson, to approve minutes from 11/19/2024 with the change for the typo, second by Heal. Motion carried unanimously.
- 3. <u>Bills Payable.</u> Motion by Knutson to pay open invoices for \$292,249.23, second by Heal. Motion by Knutson to accept closed invoices for \$90,413.62, second by Heal. Motions carried unanimously.
- 4. Public Comment
- a. Steve Peplinski (Coachlite-W5655 State Road 33 #37) is concerned about the noxious and invasive weeds and high grasses around the park. Peplinski provided letters and information received from La Crosse County.
- 5. Mark Perpich Driveway Request (W5313 Boma Road). Discussion on revised request for reimbursement for brick driveway. Motion by Knutson to approve up to \$3,500.00 unless Public Works estimates that the cost of concrete would have exceeded that amount, then up to that amount, second by Heal. Motion carried unanimously.
- 6. <u>Multiple Dog Application</u>. Berg reviewed applications received, no issues from La Crosse County or the Humane Society. Motion by Heal to approve the Multiple Dog Applications, second by Knutson. Motion carried unanimously. Knutson suggested changes for the application. Berg will look at making changes for 2025. (Ehler here at 5:36 p.m.)
- 7. <u>Robert Wagner, Fire Department Retirement.</u> The board recognized Bob Wagner's 40 Years of Service. Recognition will be celebrated at a later date, coordinated with the Fire Department.
- 8. Fire Department Report.
- a. Candahl noted the Fire Department has lost a few members. Discussion on retention.
- b. Peterson noted she will be meeting with the Chief and Assistant Chief and the topics she will cover; LOSA, Budget Discussions, truck sales, truck maintenance, truck storage, and employment/retention policy. Candahl and Heal plan to attend.

- c. Berg read the email received from Chief Tony Holinka with his report (see attached).
- 9. <u>Shelby Youth Ball 2025 Season.</u> Peterson reviewed options for moving forward with the 2025 season. Knutson and Peterson met with representatives from Shelby Ball Committee on December 9th, in which Aaron Sill resigned from the Shelby Youth Ball Committee. Staff will schedule a meeting soon.
- 10. Administrator and Public Works Report.
- a. Peterson noted the court hearing is tomorrow morning.
- b. Peterson reported the Wedgewood Valley Stormwater project will advertise for bids in January.
- c. Peterson noted the Millstream project meeting in January. Peterson asked Bolton and Menk to help with the project.
- d. Peterson reported she posted a job ad for a part-time office assistant with emphasis in HR and accounting. Peterson anticipates college students responding.
- e. Peterson reported anticipated reimbursement from the State for Boma Road.
- f. Peterson noted she has requested a proposal for construction and engineering for the sidewalk on 14/61.
- 11. Chairman and Supervisor Reports.
- a. Knutson noted a resident reported issues with dogs running loose and owners not picking up pet waste at Pammel Creek Park.
- b. Knutson suggested signage relocation at Pammel Creek Park so they can be more effective. Staff may send education to surrounding residents on park etiquette and responsible pet ownership.
- c. Knutson reported she has talked with two tentative new candidates for the Parks Committee.
- d. Candahl noted Public Works has to connect with Xcel about the streetlight on Cliffside.
- 12. <u>Adjourn</u>. Motion by Ehler to adjourn at 6:53 p.m., second by Knutson. Motion carried Unanimously.

Next Joint Meeting December 16, 2024, at 8:15 a.m. Next Regular Meeting January 7, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.