

Town of Woodboro Board of Supervisors

Monthly meeting minutes

Tuesday, September 19, 2023

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The regular monthly board meeting was called to order at 6 p.m. by Chairperson Phil Kriesel. Clerk May confirmed the agenda was posted in appropriate places and the town's website.

Members present were Chairperson Phil Kriesel, Supervisors Bill Rudis and Amanda Pontell, Treasurer Joann Beltz, and Clerk Judy May. There were 6 audience members present.

Supervisor Rudis made a motion and seconded by Supervisor Pontell to approve the Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes from August 15, 2023. Motion carried by voice vote.

Supervisor Rudis made a motion to accept the September 2023 Expenditures as presented. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Pontell. Motion carried by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Beltz reported an adjusted balance of \$658,223.65.

Public Comments: Resident Sue Mohelnitzky thanked Clerk May for her quick action on making sure a branch that was hanging on Musky Pt. Rd. was removed quickly by Bowen's, the town's road crew.

New Business:

1. Anthony Rio- Oneida County representative report. Not present.
2. Request for Stop sign on Oneida Lake Rd/Reicherts/Schmidt Drive. Resident Lyn Backhaus had contacted Clerk May about the uncontrolled intersection and asked that a stop sign, right turn-no stop be put up for safety reasons. Clerk May stated she had almost hit a snowmobile last winter at this intersection. Resident Tom Hablewitz stated he has also had similar problems at the intersection. Chair Kriesel suggested a Yield sign be placed for the southbound Oneida Lake Rd. traffic. Supervisor Rudis agreed that a Yield sign and "Traffic from right does not stop" sign would be an appropriate solution. Supervisor Rudis made a motion to add these signs to the southbound Oneida Lake Rd portion of the intersection. Supervisor Pontell seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.
3. Set Budget Hearing Workshop and Budget Hearing dates. Clerk May stated that in previous years, the budget workshop was held prior to the regular October meeting at 5:30 p.m. and the budget hearing was held at 5:45 p.m. prior to the regular November meeting. She requested the date and times in order to publish the notices. Oct. 17th and Nov. 21st, 2023 are the regularly scheduled meetings. (Supervisor Rudis may be out of town for the October meeting, but would appear via Zoom). Chair Kriesel stated 10/17 at 5:30 p.m. was fine with him as did Supervisor Amanda Pontell; Supervisor Rudis suggested a change to the November regular monthly meeting date. After discussion, it was set for Monday, 11/13, for the regular November meeting instead of 11/21 with the Budget Hearing at 5:45 p.m. Supervisor Rudis made a motion for the regular monthly meeting for November to be changed to Monday, 11/13. Supervisor Pontell seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.
4. Consider driveway permit application – The Towers, LLC. WB-68 Old Cty K. Chair Kriesel and Supervisor Pontell inspected the site prior to the meeting. Chair Kriesel stated that no culvert is needed, and there is good site distance in both directions. Supervisor Rudis made a motion to approve the driveway application. Supervisor Pontell seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

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5. Musky Point Rd. vacate portion of platted roadway. Chair Kriesel showed a map of the current area in question. The right-of-way continues through properties of the current landowners - Mike Pohl and Cynthia Pickering. If the town vacates the road in that area, no future road development would be needed. Also, the town is interested in putting in a turn-around for the plow. Supervisor Rudis made a motion to move forward with vacating the town's road. Supervisor Pontell seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.
6. Eric Rampala – Sulfide Mining Resolution presentation. Chair Kriesel requested this be moved to the top of the agenda. Both supervisors agreed. Eric Rampala, Oneida County Clean Waters Action was present to explain the OCCWA mission. He provided a copy of the Sulfide Mining Resolution to repeal Act 134 to return back to previous laws regarding mining in Wisconsin. The OCCWA group is asking for the proposed advisory resolution to be adopted by the town boards in Oneida County. Ten towns and the City of Rhinelander have already agreed to sign the resolution. He asked that the town consider approving it now, or in the future. Eric also gave updates regarding PFAS. The largest concern is in the town of Stella. The belief is that it is from sludge that was spread on the Town of Stella lands. If you suspect that land in the Town of Woodboro might have been contaminated, residents are encouraged to inspect their wells. Chair Kriesel asked the board if they had any questions. Supervisor Pontell asked if any towns said, "no," to the resolution. Eric Rampala stated that none have said no yet, but a few towns refused to have him do a presentation in their town. Chair Kriesel and both Supervisors agreed for it to be tabled to next month.

Old Business:

1. Town Hall well repair/replace. Rhinelander Well Drilling stated that the screen is rotted and sand is caving into the well. Rhinelander Well Drilling provided the town with a bid of \$10,716.50 to replace the well and pump. Supervisor Pontell stated Rhinelander Well did not give a timeframe for when they could do the project. Discussion about where the new well should be located included a suggestion of moving it to the hall's side of the parking lot in front of the building. Supervisor Rudis made a motion to accept the estimate from Rhinelander Well Drilling provided the well gets done in 2023. Supervisor Pontell seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.
2. Town Roads.
 - a. Rambling Lane. Tabled from last month. Nothing new to report.
 - b. Road report.
 - i. Chair Kriesel stated that it is time to consider the 2024 road projects. He asked both supervisors to come up with proposals/ideas. He suggested an area of Washburn Lake Rd. to continue from where the last repairs had left off towards Trout Creek Rd. Supervisor Pontell asked about the area starting with Cty N and heading north on Washburn Lake Rd. Chair Kriesel explained the need for repairs along Washburn Lake shore area as the road is too close to the lake. Another idea suggested from Chair Kriesel was to go from the ski trail area on Washburn Lake Rd and skip over some to create two separate areas in order to do the worst areas first. Further research of the area to be done prior to the paperwork being sent in. Chair Kriesel needs to have

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paperwork done by the October meeting in order to apply for LRIP grant monies for 2024.

- ii. Bowens had to repair a collapsed roadway on Squash Lake Rd. Chair Kriesel inspected and it may need future repairs. Bowens fixed it for now with filling it in with gravel.
- iii. Bowens mowed, broomed and had trees removed. Graveled roads are currently being graded.

3. Sand/Salt Storage Shed. Tabled from last month. Nothing new.

A motion was made by Supervisor Rudis and seconded by Supervisor Pontell to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.