

TOWN OF PORT EDWARDS MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: April 12th, 2021

Call to Order: Chairman Randy Moody called the Town Board Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting Certification: This meeting has been properly posted (on the Town's three posting boards, and on the Town Hall door) as well as published on our website and in the Daily Tribune, to notify the public of date, place, time, and agenda.

Attendance: Chairman Randy Moody, Supervisor Tim Schmidt, Clerk Michelle Sorenson, Treasurer Kathy Reese, Highway Superintendent Allen Goodness. Present via Zoom was Supervisor Jeff O'Donnell. Also present were six people from the public.

Approval of minutes from March 8th, 2021, Town Board Meeting: Clerk presented the minutes from the March Board Meeting. The minutes looked accurate and acceptable. Motion was made by Schmidt and seconded by O'Donnell to accept the minutes as printed. Motion carried.

Agenda:

- Approve the agenda
- Approve previous meetings' minutes
- Approve payment of bills
- Treasurer and Clerk's monthly reports
- Set date for next month's board meeting
- Set tentative date for Board of Review
- Discuss fire call
- Adopt Wood County's All Hazards Mitigation Plan via Resolution 2021-1
- Set dates for Tire and Appliance Collection
- Review correspondence
- New business:
- Old business:
- Public input
- Adjourn

Motion was made by Schmidt and seconded by O'Donnell to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Bills: O'Donnell made a motion to approve payment of the town bills listed by the Clerk. Motion was seconded by Schmidt and the motion carried. Total disbursements for the month of March were \$20,431.86 with total revenues being \$9,290.53.

Treasurer and Clerk Financial Reports: The Treasurer and Clerk reports were reviewed by the Board. All reports balance. Total Town money as of March 31st, 2021, is \$362,916.44. A motion was made by O'Donnell and seconded by Schmidt to accept the financial reports as presented. Motion carried.

Fire Call: One fire call was received. The Nekoosa Fire Department as well as the Wisconsin DNR and Port Edwards Fire Department responded to a grass/brush fire at 5090 Lynn Hill Road. A total of 1.65 acres burned. The Town Board requested the landowner be billed the full \$1,000.00.

All Hazards Mitigation Plan: Clerk presented Resolution 2021-01. The Resolution was prepared using the template included with Wood County's All Hazard Mitigation Plan given to the Town by Wood County Emergency Management. The All Hazard Mitigation Plan was available for review. Schmidt made a motion to pass Resolution 2021-01, in essence adopting the All Hazard Mitigation Plan and qualifying the Town for future state and federal aid should a natural disaster hit our area. O'Donnell seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Tire and Appliance Collection: The dates for the tire and appliance collection have been set for May 5th, 6th, and 7th, from 8a.m. till 4p.m.

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New Business: The question was raised as to the cost of a fire number sign. A new fire number sign costs \$60.00 and a replacement sign is \$30.00.

Old Business: When will the signs thanking the Ho-Chunk Nation for their contribution be put up on Lynn Hill Road? Roland Hawk was supposed to take care of that.

The Town is still working on discovering the owner of the bridge on County Line Road. The Town of Finley may be taking it as they have been paying for the bridge inspections on it.

Public input: Does the Town have an umbrella policy, or something like it, to cover club meetings? The Board is sure that the Town has coverage for such instances.

What is happening with the deer farm land that is now for sale on Lynn Hill Road? Chairman was contacted by the party's real estate agent. Chairman informed him that the farm was never issued a conditional use permit because of all the opposition from surrounding neighbors. The deer farm has been under the regulations of the DATCP (Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection). The realtor was informed that the farm is actually in violation of a Town ordinance.

There has been increased garbage alongside the roadways. It is very easy to tell when Friday (garbage day) is here. Chairman will call Advanced Disposal and talk with them about the problem.

The ATV routes on Batterman Road and Deer Lane have no speed limit signs or stop signs. Supervisor Schmidt will talk with Sandy Green and Roland Hawk at Wood County about the signage.

Batterman Road from Beaver Lane to the West end is closed. The barricades should have flashing lights on them. It is hard to maintain lights on the barricades due to theft of the lights. AI will add lights to the barricades.

Next Scheduled Board Meeting: The next regularly scheduled Town Board Meeting is set for Tuesday, May 11th, 2021, at 6 p.m. The meeting will be conducted at the Town Hall.

The tentative date for the Board of Review is set for Tuesday, May 25th, 2021, from 10a to 12p.

Adjourn: Schmidt made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:31p.m. and O'Donnell seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Sorenson, Clerk