

Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, May 14, 2024
Townsend Town Hall
6:00 p.m.

Chairperson Monica Zeller called the meeting to order at 6pm

Roll call: Chairperson Monica Zeller, Supervisor Chuck DeMoulin, Supervisor Willie Evans, Treasurer Beth Hartman, Clerk Linda Ziegler. 42citizens

Verification of proper agenda notice: Ziegler posted the agenda on May 3, 2024 at Townsend Post Office, Townsend Town Hall, Laona State Bank, Townsend Branch, and www.townsendwisconsin.org.

Evans made the motion to approve the agenda, 2nd DeMoulin – M/A

Motion made by DeMoulin to accept the minutes of the April 9, 2024 meeting, 2nd by Evans – M/A

Treasures report – Hartman gave a P&L budget performance report. The town received the 1st quarter Trans Aid, lottery credit and the interest is still high. Motion by Evans to approve the report and pay all the bills, DeMoulin 2nd – M/A

Ambulance Report – Report on file. Steve Harkema said they had 19 calls last month. There is a raffle fund raiser in progress for the building fund. Nick Miller completed the paramedic school.

Fire Department report – Report on file. Dawn Herlache said we were approved for two county grants to repair 2 boat landings and help with the playground equipment. Her and Ziegler will be working on a FFP grant for the town hall. The fire truck should be in possession the end of the month! The ladder truck will be going on the auction sight. Dry hydrants were installed at Sunset Bay LN and Surprise Lake boat landings with the help of Harkema Landscaping.

Friends of Townsend Fire – Wanda Laste said the group is planning for the 4h of July Celebration and the Smokey Bear 80th anniversary.

Lakes Country Library – report on file. Kathleen Marsh said the library dedication is July 27 at 11am

Nocco – report on file

Planning & Zoning – no meeting

Permits/Licenses: Zeller made the motion to approve the FOTF picnic license, 2nd by Evans – M/A. DeMoulin made the motion to approve the Short-Term Rental application for Judy Fellows, 2nd by Evans – M/A. Zeller made the motion to approve the Fireworks

Sales Stand Permit for Tim Maurer pending the insurance paperwork and Fire Marshall approval, 2nd by Evans – M/A

Business:

- 1) Board of Review Adjourn – the board met with Assessor Jef Mueller at 5:30. The assessment rolls are not ready but probably will in by mid-June
- 2) Board of Review alternate – DeMoulin made the motion to appoint Beth Hartman as an alternate board of review member, 2nd by Evans – M/A
- 3) Town Hall addition/remodel – at the May 4th electors meeting, the vote was 109 to 63 in favor of the addition/remodel. The board will begin working on this project.
- 4) Ordinance 01-2024, An ordinance Restricting Certain Artificial Wake Enhancement. The proposed ordinance was sent to the DNR for approval after the April board meeting. The DNR gave their approval. Evans made the motion to pass Ordinance 01-2024, 2nd by DeMoulin – M/A
- 5) Archibald Lake Buoy's – Tim McGuire presented an amendment to Ordinance 1-97 to add a buoy #1 at Latitude N45 281 690 Longitude W88 599 288. Zeller made the motion to approve the amendment, 2nd by Evans – M/A
- 6) Town Road Projects – Meadow Parkway w/ Hidden Meadow, Green Meadow, Mallard & Mockingbird, and Presbyterian, Cunningham to Cnty T (deferred to 2025) will be resurfaced. Smokey Lake Ln and Memory Ln will be chip seal. Scotch Pine Ln flex patch and Infrared Patch on Surprise, Forest Hill and Water Ln. Deer Track & Hyland will be turned to gravel and we're paying for ½ batch of gravel.
- 7) Archery Range – Don Solberg said there are 47 members and some big sponsors. They will have a hunter safety instructors' class next month at the library. The post office is giving them a shed. The board ok'd Don to relocate the shed wherever he thinks is best at the grounds.
- 8) Red Arrow Lease – the officers requested that the lease be changed to reflect a right to purchase in the case that the town sells the land. Zeller said the board will not open this agreement up to provide that. In the case that the town was to sell, they would need permission from the electors, and then put it out to bids. Chuck Searl commented that the Red Arrow owns the building.
- 9) Kayaks on Reservoir – Joe Heyrman said there will be a brat fry at Mike's Saturday, May 18 to fund the kayaks. Evans said that the Meadow Parkway landing would make the most sense for Kayaks. The other landings are quite congested with boat launches. Heyrman agreed and will set that up and consider another brat fry to provide a kayak launch.
- 10) Beaver on McCaslin Brook – Zeller talked with the DNR and they have not been able to rid the beaver house of its inhabitants. They will continue to trap until all are gone, then dismantle the house. If residents experience any water back up, contact the town.
- 11) Future agenda items – N/A

Public Comment

Does the Wake ordinance have to be approved by the DNR? No, they approved after the last meeting. What about the Horn Lake Boat landing and road? The town got a grant to work on the boat landing, and the road widening will happen this summer.

Will Red Maple Ln be done this year? – No

Liz Bann said a non-resident pointed out that the posting for the May 4th Electors meeting was wrong. Per statute 60.12 postings need to be not more than 20 days and not less than 15 days' notice. The Elector's meeting notice was in the paper the week of May 22nd and May 29. Since this did not meet the requirements, the May 4th vote should be void. Ziegler disagreed with her statement and is confident that all postings were correct.

Correspondence:

DNR registration for fishing tournaments

Announcements:

Cemetery cleanup was May 11th

Marinette/Oconto Clean Sweep was May 10/11th

DeMoulin motioned to adjourn at 6:40, Evans 2nd – M/A

Minutes Approved June 11, 2024
Linda Ziegler, Clerk