

Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday, August 10, 2022
Townsend Town Hall
6:00 p.m.

Chairperson Carla Van Camp called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll call: Chairperson Carla VanCamp, Supervisor Linda Adamczyk, Supervisor Robert Heyrman, Treasurer Beth Hartman, Clerk Linda Ziegler. 31 citizens

Verification of proper agenda notice: Ziegler posted the agenda on August 5, 2022 at Townsend Post Office, Townsend Town Hall, Laona State Bank, Townsend Branch, and www.townsendwisconsin.org.

Approval of agenda made by Adamczyk, 2nd by Heyrman – M/A

Motion made by Heyrman to accept the minutes of July 12, 2022, 2nd by Adamczyk – M/A

Treasures report – Hartman gave a P&L budget performance report. The August tax settlement will be coming. Fire Department 2% dues have been received. Gas prices are up, so some budget items are over. Motion by Adamczyk to approve the report and pay all the bills, Heyrman 2nd – M/A

Ambulance Report – Report on file

Fire Department report – Report on file. Fire Chief Dawn Herlache said the 4th of July party was very successful. The Fire Department did a CWPP wildfire assessment on 26 residents last Friday. Herlache will meet with the Red Cross about smoke detector availability. Saturday, October 8 will be the 2nd annual open house. More info to come. Adamczyk mention the potential danger of the paper lighted lanterns in the wooded areas.

Community Advisory Committee – Adamczyk said there will be a community fall kickoff and chili cook-off Saturday, October 1 from 12:30 – 3PM. Next meeting is Tuesday August 23 at 6pm

Lakes Country Library – Kathleen Marsh said the library welcomed Katie Esserman as their new director. The library building fund received \$300,000.00 ARPA grant from the county. The next meeting is August 26 at 8am

OCEDC – VanCamp has a seat on this county board. She has discussed her frustration of Townsend being passed over for the broadband grant from the state. She did say Charter Communication will be installing fiber optics in 2025. WI Travel Blogger will be in Townsend to do an expose on the Kayak parks on Cassler Ln and at Pickerel Lake. Team Winnebago ATV Rally will be in Lakewood 2023.

Comprehensive Planning Committee: N/A

Permits/Licenses – Heyrman made the motion to accept the operators license, 2nd by Adamczyk – M/A

Public Comment: Dawn Herlache asked about the CWPP grant. VanCamp said she has talked with Dacon Franzen. VanCamp is the lead; Heyrman is the alternate. Herlache asked about the \$18,000 budget to repair the driveway apron. VanCamp said this has been scratched due to increase gas costs.

Mike Woulf, resident of Surprise Lake, asked about the email sent to VanCamp regarding the boat landing on Log Cabin Ln to be graded and lowered. Since the early 1960's the lake level is up 5 feet. He contends that the boat landing had been raised by the town which prevents highwater to drain through the natural spillway that supposedly was there in the 1960's. Adamczyk said 2 years ago Surprise Lake residents asked the town about putting a pipe in to drain the highwater. Kristy Woulf said they have lost lake frontage and will try anything to get the lake levels maintained. The Town will continue to work on this issue.

John Zeller asked about the follow up meeting with the architect regarding the town hall project. VanCamp said she just got information on Monday from Tim and will discuss at the advisory meeting on August 23rd.

Monica Zeller asked what the timeline is to do repairs on the town hall (ex: electrical). VanCamp said there are no plans for this. Heyrman said there should be a citizens committee to bring ideas to the board with recommendations for the town hall. Mike VandeWalle said Ziegler told him the septic passed the inspection. VanCamp said the drain field does not work properly and needs to be pumped several times a year.

Business:

- 1) Discovery Guide – Adamczyk made the motion to approve an 1/8-page ad in the Discovery Guide, 2nd by Heyrman – M/A
- 2) NOCCO – during the last 7-Towns Meeting, the 6 towns unanimously voted to continue paying Oconto County Sheriff for the additional recreational officer.
- 3) Roadwork – Sawyer Lake and Archibald Lake are finished. The chip-sealing should begin soon
- 4) Pickerel Lake Rd/Timber Edge stop sign – the town will install 4-way stop sign at this intersection to try to reduce the speed problem on this road. VanCamp contacted the rec officer to make additional trips.

Correspondence:

Heyrman put a new roof on the ballpark bathroom.

Rick Opiela, is retiring August 31 from the highway department.

Announcements:

Blood Mobile Monday August 15 1:30-6pm

Hugs for Jugs Fish Fry Friday August 19 5-7pm

Hugs for Jugs fundraiser at Lakewood Pavilion Saturday Sept 10

Adamczyk motioned to adjourn at 7pm, Heyrman made the 2nd – M/A

*Minutes approved September 13, 2022
Linda Ziegler, Clerk*

