

**TOWN OF LONG LAKE
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

March 14, 2023

Town Hall

The regular monthly Town Board meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman James Whitehead. Supervisor I, Dan Lubensky, and Supervisor II, Greg Tinker were present along with Clerk, Debbie Bouma and Treasurer, Brenda Derousseau. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Verification of notices was confirmed by the Clerk.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Lubensky and seconded by Tinker to approve the minutes from February 14, 2023, Regular Board Meeting. Motion carried.

Approval of Financial Report: Treasurer out pointed that the ARRP account had a fee charged that will be reversed for low funds, and this account should be closed as we have completed using the funds and have the reminder moved to the general account. Motion by Lubensky and seconded by Tinker to accept the Treasurer's Financial Report as presented. Motion carried.

Spoooner Area School District Superintendent, Dr. David Aslyn, about the Spoooner Operational Referendum for the April 4th, 20223 Elections: Dr. David Aslyn presented the Spoooner Operational Referendum and answered question from the public.

Public Comment: Ron Whitish read a message off his phone stated to be from Scott Frolik. Mike McGough requested to have town hall open to the exercise class. Terry O'Brien asked when the driveway permit will be back on the agenda. John Long questioned Chairman Whitehead and Clerk Bouma about residency and expenses. Debbie Bouma spoke on what makes up the expenses that show up in the clerks account. Ron Whitish wanted to understand why the grader is used more then the plow truck. Jeff Bauer spoke of the ATV Meeting and provided a handout for those interested.

Discussion/Approve Mary Johnson Trust request for Rezoning 3.4 acres in Tax Id# 16776-PT GOV LOT 1 LOT 23, Tax Id# 16777-PT GOV LOT 1 LOT 22 All in Maple Grove Beach, all in Section 09-37-11, from Residential to Residential Recreational 2. (Publish dates 3/8 and 3/15): Motion by Tinker and seconded by Lubensky to approve the Mary Johnson Trust rezoning request as presented and make recommendation to the Washburn County Board. Motion carried.

Set Date for 2023 Open Book and Board of Review: Motion by Whitehead and seconded by Tinker to set the date for 2023 Open Book and Board of Review as follows May 10, 2023, Board of Review to meet at 5:45 to adjourn until a later date due to the year of revaluation for Long Lake. Open Book will be October 16, 2023, from 12-7pm at Town Hall and Open book will resume November 1, 2023, from 6-8 pm at the Town Hall. Motion carried.

Discussion/Action Encroachment of Town Property by BMR Holdings LLC and Set Date for Possible Special Meeting of Electors: No action taken.

Approval of the Payment Plan for BFCESD Building: Motion by Tinker and seconded by Lubensky to approve the monthly BFCESD building payment of \$94,791.07 to be paid in April. Motion carried.

Roads Updates: Road bans will go in effect March 16, 2023, at noon as it coincides with Washburn County's Road Bans. Special Permits are available from the Chairman if a special exception is needed.

Consider/Approval Hunt Hill's request for a Temporary Class "B"/ "Class B" License for Pints on the Prairie, September 9, 2023: Motion by Lubensky and seconded by Tinker to approve the temporary Class "B"/ "Class B" License for Pints on the Prairie at Hunt Hill on September 9, 2023. Motion carried.

Public Comment on Agenda Items Only: Wayne Sabatke thanked the town for using the grader to expand the lanes of traffic this winter and he wanted to thank chairman Whitehead for the good job he is doing. Jeff Bauer wanted to know what other past files were found in computer file labeled "Town Issues" from the past clerks the Clerk Bouma found.

Reports of Town Officers:

Debbie: Explained that the grant written for emergency funds for the December Ice (snow) Storm had reached level four and is awaiting final approval after many phone calls with the State. February 21, 2023, election had a decent turn out and the election inspectors for Long Lake received a high rating from Washburn County Canvas. We are lucky to have such good inspectors.

A member of the town has written the DA on four separate dates claiming violations. A two-hour meeting with the DA, the Town Lawyer, the Town Chairman and Town Clerk, in which the clerk provided the complete emails, the records of phone calls with the Wisconsin Towns Association, and all postage receipts. The DA confirmed all records of the phone calls with the Wisconsin Towns Association. The District Attorney found no violations and that it was a personal vendetta by a member of the town. This was a huge use of town's time, attorney's time, Town cost as the attorney billed 9 hours from April 2022 until February 2023, and also had to notify the town insurance company as we have coverage for this issue. The town has been cleared of any open records request violations from the District Attorney. I have the file on this subject on the table if anyone would care to view it tonight.

Brenda: Working on Dog List updates for Washburn County's program.

Dan: none

Greg: none

James: Road ban follow's Washburn County guidelines and special permits can be obtained from the Chairman.

Correspondence: Correspondence was on the table for Board members to review and will be kept with the clerk's meeting records.

Approve Vouchers for Payment: Motion by Lubensky and second by Tinker to pay vouchers #6019-6043 and the EFT. Motion carried.

Adjournment: On a motion from Tinker and second by Lubensky the meeting was adjourned at 7:45p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by

Debbie Bouma, Town Clerk