

TOWN OF LONG LAKE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 14, 2024

Town Hall

The regular monthly Town Board meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chairman Bob Moullette. Supervisor I, Jeff Bauer, and Supervisor II, Terry O'Brien, were present, along with Clerk Debbie Bouma and Treasurer Brenda Derousseau. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The Clerk confirmed the verification of notices.

Approval of Minutes from April 9, 2024, Regular Board Meeting, May 2, 2024, Special Board Meeting, and March 19, 2024, Road Tour: Motion by Bauer and seconded by O'Brien to approve the minutes of March 19, 2024, Road Tour. Moullette abstained from the vote as he was absent for the Road Tour. Motion carried. Motion by O'Brien and seconded by Bauer to approve the minutes of April 9, 2024, Regular Board Meeting and May 2, 2024, Special Board Meeting. Motion carried.

Approval of Financial Report: Motion by Moullette and seconded by O'Brien to accept the Treasurer's Financial Report as presented. Motion carried.

Public Comment: none

Consider Fireworks Permit Application of Spielbauer Fireworks, Long Lake Chamber, for July 4, 2024: Motion by O'Brien and seconded by Bauer to approve the fireworks permit for Spielbauer Fireworks as presented for July 4, 2024. Motion carried.

Consider/Approval Variance for William Lee for a road setback request from the centerline to be 116 feet on County Highway D (normally 133 feet from the centerline) to build a 14 x 32 addition to North side of existing cabin at Record I0#16751-40.00 acres, SW SW, Section 08, Township 37, Range 11W, (publish dates 5/15/24 & 5/22/24, Public hearing 6/4/24): Motion by Moullette and seconded by O'Brien to approve the variance for Wallace (Washburn County used the wrong name on their form) Lee for a road setback request from the centerline to be 116 feet on County Highway D (normally 133 feet from the centerline) to build a 14 x 32 addition to North side of existing cabin at Record I0#16751-40.00 acres, SW SW, Section 08, Township 37, Range 11W. Motion carried.

Discuss/Action Building Inspector: Motion by O'Brien and seconded by Bauer to approve one building inspector for the Town of Long Lake as recommended by the meeting of electors and that that one building inspector be John Mattson, Atlas Inspection. Motion to amend by Bauer and seconded by O'Brien to make that contract extended to August 30, 2025. Amendment votes 2 Ayes, 1 Nay. Chairman presented his concerns. Motion votes 2 Ayes, 1 Nay. Motion carries.

Approve Appointments to the Planning Commission: The Clerk explained that Wis. Stat. § 62.23(1)(d) requires appointments to start and end in the month of April. Therefore, two appointments need to be filled. The expired terms are for one one-year member and the one-year alternate member. Motion by Moullette and seconded by O'Brien to appoint Rick Williams to the one-year term and Tom Holms to the one-year alternate members of the Long Lake Planning Commission. Motion carried.

Consider/Action Sale of Town Hall Property for BMR Holdings LLC: Motion by O'Brien and seconded by Bauer to approve the recommendation of the Meeting of Electors at the February 27, 2024, Meeting to sell the .19 acres of land to BMR Holding for the price of \$2745.00 with the owner to complete the certified survey and incur all closing and recording fees. Motion carried.

Discuss/Action Road Projects: The Clerk handed out a spreadsheet of current expenses and estimated future expenses for planned projects for the current budget. The Board discussed the current plans and future ideas. Work on Audubon Road will begin the first week of June, and the road will remain open but be down to one lane during the work process. Gravel will stay till the spring of 2025, and paving will be complete later in 2025.

a) Town Gravel Pit Clean Up: Motion by Moullette and seconded by O'Brien to approve cleanup of the Town Hall Gravel Pit by L & L Excavating not to exceed \$1000. Motion carried.

b) Town of Madge input on Morningside Rd Gravel Project: O'Brien spoke with the Town of Madge

Chairman, Mike Baker, and he is in favor of the gravel project and will pay for Madge's .29 mile of Morningside Road gravel with the Clerk to bill the Town of Madge upon completion of the project.

Discuss/Action on Recommendations from Annual Meeting of Electors:

- a) Outstanding Checks:** The Clerk spoke with the auditor on a process to clear up these past uncashed checks, and he will collaborate with the Clerk and Treasurer to devise a method to clear it up without affecting the current budget or tax filing status. This will be an ongoing process.
- b) Selling Town Property:** Motion by O'Brien and seconded by Bauer to follow the precedence set by the sale completed this year of interested parties approaching the Board, and that party would assume all costs associated with special meetings, title searches, certified surveys, closing cost, and recording cost. Motion carried.
- c) Obtaining Legal Counsel to Oppose Frolik Gravel Pit:** Motion by O'Brien and seconded by Bauer to table this item at this time for future consideration. Motion carried.
- d) 2022 Annual Minutes:** The Clerk presented an email from Wisconsin Towns Association lawyer reaffirming that once minutes have been approved by the Town Board or the Meeting of Electors, it should be amended or changed as was suggested at the last Meeting of Electors. Motion by O'Brien and seconded by Moullette to place the approval of the 2022 Annual Meeting of Electors Minutes on the 2025 Annual Meeting of Electors agenda.

Public Comment on Agenda Items Only: James Whitehead stated he was glad to see an end to the building inspector and BMR Holdings issue. He also said it would be in the town's best interest to consider small projects on Burma Road graveling to be sure the ditch repair and crowning are done correctly instead of placing gravel on it to continue to wash out with the rains, as more than just gravel is needed on the road. He also feels it is a good idea to look into logging on town property or a select cut. Lastly, he asked if the Board had followed its own Ordinance 2017-1, which requires a nonrefundable deposit to consider hearing a gravel pit. Joe Hoy wanted to inform electors and the Board of Dan Lubsenky's passing and arrangements. He also reminded people that the new ATV route is open and that they should use it responsibly to ensure it remains open. Joe also reminded people to be aware of and informed about the upcoming public meetings on the new jail for Washburn County and work on County Highway MD. Jesse Degross wanted to thank the current and past Board for all the work they put in to help BMR Holding with the sale of the property.

Reports of Town Officers

Debbie - Attended the MTWA conference in Steven Point. Changes in laws to Alcohol and cigarettes licensing with Act 73 may have changes to our annual budget which needs to be watched and Ordinances by the board may be needed in the future. Flowers have been sent to Dan's service on behalf of the Town for his years of service.

Brenda - Met with CCF bank about scams and fraud protection.

Jeff - none

Terry - none

Bob - Stated he had attended WTA and two BFCES meetings. Reminder that the LLPA Annual Meeting is coming up on June 1, 20204.

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

Approve Vouchers for Payment: Motion by O'Brien and second by Moullette to pay vouchers # 6292-6306 and the EFT. Motion carried.

Adjournment: On a motion from O'Brien and seconded by Bauer, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by

Debbie Bouma, Town Clerk