

Town of Oconto Falls Regular Board Meeting Minutes Monday February 13, 2023, 6 p.m. at the Town Hall

Chairman Alsteen called the meeting to order at 6pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call-Alsteen, Peterson, Kaczmarek, Rieth, Mogged present for the board.

Bob Wolf, Bob April, Roger Kane, Sharon & Wayne Wenzel, Paul Mogged and Carrie Hill present for the public.

Motion to approve the agenda made by Kaczmarek, second by Peterson. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting as published made by Kaczmarek, second by Peterson. Motion carried.

Rieth presented the treasurer's Report.

The motion to pay bills was made by Peterson, second by Kaczmarek. Motion carried.

Carrie Hill, Oconto Falls School Board candidate explained who she is, where she came from, how she ended up in the area and why she is running for school board. She believes she can make a difference on the board due to the life experiences she has had and the many strengths she will bring to the table.

Spring Primary Election Information- It should be a light turnout. WEC has announced they will be conducting more accessibility election day checks, so be prepared.

Conflict of Interest Ordinance and Procurement Ordinance will be tabled until March. Motion made by Kaczmarek, second by Peterson. Motion carried.

Board discussion for financing of town hall improvements-The board intends to use ARPA funds to finance the necessary improvements. Mogged will check with the WTA lawyers to see what procedure they recommend since neither the ARPA funds or the improvement expenses have been included in the 2023 budget.

Board discussion of recycling issues-At the in-person tax collection events, there were many questions pertaining to when the town would start curbside recycling pickup. Even if we went to curbside, we would still need to use the Oconto Falls recycling cite for those items not able to be picked up curbside or create our own. Bob Wolf also spoke to the inefficiencies of the garbage collection system we currently have. It was decided this would be a quarterly agenda item so we continue to gather information and options.

Town Hall improvement ad hoc committee report-Bob April reported it is difficult

to find contractors to give us bids, most are completely booked for the year. Mogged and April did go over some of the ideas they have to address some of the security and accessibility issues the building has.

Public Discussion-Kane-Can all the garbage cans be placed on one side of the road to increase efficiency? There are too many roads without enough shoulder to allow this. April asked if it was possible to give responsibility for truck cleaning to someone to promote better care of our investments. We will address it at budget time and create a job expectation for the person given this responsibility.

Town Board Discussion- A bid for \$18,200 was received from Olsen Truck to replace the box on the 1999 truck. It was decided we will also get a quote from Monroe and we will start looking for a salvaged 13' box instead of new. Kaczmarek reported on the ambulance service. In 2022, total runs increased 165%, with transfers being the largest increase. Everything seems to be going well. They are addressing each growing pain as it comes and expect to see even more growth.

Adjourn-Motion to adjourn made by Peterson, second by Kaczmarek. Motion carried.

Susan L Mogged, Clerk
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