

APPROVED MINUTES FOR TOWN BOARD MEETING

MAPLE, WI

Thursday, December 14, 2023

The monthly meeting for the Town of Maple was called to order by Chairman Dustin Soyring at 7:00 pm at the Maple Community Center.

ROLL CALL

In attendance were Chairman Dustin Soyring and Supervisor Thad Lintula, Foreman Roger Colby, Fire Chief Mike Lundeen, and Planning Commission Secretary Gaye Erkel. Also present were Josh Hurray, the town's Rural Mutual Insurance Agent, representatives from Mathy Construction /Milestone Materials, and several community members.

Excused were Supervisor Jon TePoel (work), Clerk Rachel Lintula (illness), and Treasurer Tanya Colby (training). There being a quorum, the meeting was called to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Chairman Soyring, seconded by Supervisor Lintula, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes for November 9, 2023.

MOTION by Chairman Soyring, seconded by Supervisor Lintula to approve the Public Budget Hearing minutes.

MOTION by Supervisor Lintula, seconded by Chairman Soyring to approve the Special Meeting of Town Elector to approve the levy limit minutes.

MOTION by Chairman Soyring, seconded by Supervisor Lintula to approve the Special Town Board Meeting minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT

MOTION by Chairman Soyring, seconded by Supervisor Lintula, and carried unanimously to approve the Treasurer's Report for November 9, 2023.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT

Gaye Erkel reported on attending county election training and some of the recommended security measures.

Also noted was the option to pursue a grant to supply AEDs for community buildings and facilities.

OLD BUSINESS

1. *Adopt the Agenda and Minutes Distribution Policy.*

MOTION Chairman Soyring, and SECONDED by Supervisor Lintula to adopt the Agenda and Minutes Distribution Policy; policy passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

1. *Appoint election officials - Beverly Sidlo-Toliver; Alvin Tangen; Gaye Erkel; Tanya Colby; and Bonita Martin - for the 2024 - 2025 election cycle.*

MOTION by Chairman Soyring, and SECONDED by Supervisor Lintula to appoint the following election officials for the 2024-2025 election cycle: Tanya Colby, Gaye Erkel, Bonita Martin, Beverly Sidlo-Toliver, and Alvin Tangen.

In addition, Clerk Lintula reached out to NHS for interested high school students to serve as election officials and has had at least one student express interest in serving as an election inspector.

2. *Review and renew the Conditional Use Permit for Mathy Construction /Milestone Materials.*

MOTION by Chairman Soyring, and SECONDED by Supervisor Lintula to renew the Conditional Use Permit for Mathy Construction /Milestone Materials.

3. *Adopt Ordinance 2023 - 12, the Mobile/Manufactured Home Monthly Municipal Permit Fee Ordinance, that allows the town to collect a monthly parking fee on user- owned mobile homes located within a mobile home park.*

This ordinance was extensively researched by Clerk Lintula in cooperation with Assessor Michael Schnautz. The state discontinued Personal Property tax after 2023, thereby creating the need for an alternative way to collect those same funds. The ordinance allows the town to collect a fee - the amount determined by the assessor - to allow the town to collect an equivalent amount of what used to be personal property tax. This ordinance was reviewed by the Town's assessor; however, due to the concern of a community member, this business item was tabled until January.

4. *Review the Town of Maple's insurance needs with Agent Josh Huray.*

Upon a brief review of items covered by the current policy, there are a few items (vehicles) that need to be removed from the policy. Foreman Colby and Fire Chief Lundeen can be in communication with the board and Rural Mutual on the needed adjustments to the policy.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. *County Supervisor*

Supervisor Loustari reported on the county zoning conference, status of campground zoning, and other items at the county level.

2. *Town Foreman*

The County Aid for Road and Bridges grant was completed in a joint effort by the Clerk and Foreman.

A new air compressor is needed for the town garage.

One of the stolen signs from last spring on Degerman Road turned up.

There is a need to purchase or order new signs and/or barricades to effectively close Degerman Road for the duration of the spring thaw, in order to prevent locals and others from traveling on the road during any closures.

Foreman Colby also noted that it is recommended by the manufacturer to order any new graders one year in advance.

3. Fire Department

There were [10] emergency calls since the November meeting.

The new ambulance was used for the first time.

The fire department received “new” used defibrillators.

4. Planning Commission

The Planning Commission has yet to meet.

FUTURE BUSINESS

1. Adopt Ordinance 2023-12, the Mobile/Manufactured Home Monthly Municipal Permit Fee Ordinance.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION Supervisor Lintula, and SECONDED by Chairman Soyring to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Rachel Lintula, Clerk