

**APPROVED MINUTES FOR TOWN BOARD MEETING
MAPLE, WI**

Thursday, February 8, 2024

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

Chairman Dustin Soyring, Supervisor Jon TePoel, Supervisor Thad Lintula, Treasurer Tanya Colby, Foreman Roger Colby, Fire Chief Mike Lundeen, Planning Commission Secretary Gaye Erkel, and a handful of community members were in attendance. There being a quorum, the meeting was called to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Supervisor Lintula, seconded by TePoel, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of 11 January 2024.

TREASURER'S REPORT

MOTION by Supervisor TePoel, seconded by Lintula and carried unanimously to approve the Treasurer's report.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT

Gaye Erkel gave an overview of a grant the town might be able to leverage to update the town park; given the complexity of the grant and the spring due date, the town would likely apply for the 2025 round, if it went forward with the process. Erkel will report further at the next town meeting.

The Clover Country 4H club president, OliverAnderson, introduced the club, its willingness to volunteer during community projects, and its desire to use the CC center every 3rd Wednesday of the month for 4H meetings.

OLD BUSINESS

1. *Review and discuss a Superior Days donation.*

MOTION by Chairman Soyring, seconded by Lintula, and motion carried unanimously to approve a \$50 Superior Days Donation.

Discussion also included potentially increasing the amount in the future, as well as sending board members to the conference.

NEW BUSINESS

1. *Review and discuss adopting a Records Policy Ordinance, and a subsequent Notice of Public Records Access.*

MOTION by Chairman Soyring, seconded by Lintula, and motion carried unanimously to adopt Ordinance No. 2024 – 1, the Records Policy Ordinance and the subsequent Notice of Public Records Access.

2. *Review and discuss adopting an Election Inspector Shift Ordinance, in order to allow election inspectors to work in shifts.*

MOTION by Supervisor Lintula, seconded by Soyring, and motion carried unanimously to adopt Ordinance No. 2024 – 1.2.

3. *Review and discuss adopting a resolution that allows the Town of Maple to use fewer than five elections inspectors in a given election, if deemed appropriate by the clerk.*

MOTION by Supervisor Lintula, seconded by Soyring, and motion carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 2024 – 1.

4. *Review and discuss the 4-H club's request to use the community center for club meetings, on Wednesday evenings, one time per month.*

MOTION by Chairman Soyring, seconded by TePoel, and motion carried unanimously to approve the Clover Country Club's request to use the Community Center for their meetings.

5. *Review and discuss budgets and project timelines for the new dump shed, and an ADA compliant bathroom update at the Community Center.*

Supervisor Lintula spoke to the size, materials, and location of the new dump shed, and noted that budget constraints will impact the size of the structure. A group of Local 361 carpenter apprentices will build the shed; the town will only pay material costs.

Lintula also noted that he's taken measurements for a new ADA compliant bathroom door and spoken with a licensed WI architect about ADA compliant specifications. Chairman Soyring noted that there may be grant available to help offset the cost of the update.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. *County Supervisor*

County Supervisor Loustari was not present to give a report.

2. *Town Foreman*

Foreman Colby noted he has continued to grade, brush along roadsides, and steam culverts; the air compressor drain valve requires some attention and he's working on repairing it.

3. *Fire Department*

The Department responded to eight emergency calls this past month: Maple - 3 EMS; Poplar - 3 EMS and Mutual Aid call to Poplar for a MVA without injuries.

Trucks and equipment, for the most part, seem to be in good working order. Engine 1 needs to have the heater core in the defroster replaced as it is not putting out any heat. The Rescue needed new rear brakes and a parking brake cable. The Department is also looking to replace the rear air bag suspension as the bases are corroded and should be replaced along with the exhaust tail pipe.

A department member was injured while responding to a call back on the 22nd of January. A worker's compensation claim has been filed on his behalf.

The office remodel continues – mudding and sanding are nearly done and the space is almost ready for paint. Both the town and fire dept completed the 2% Fire Dues Self-Certification.

As always, folks interested in joining the department are encouraged to attend any of our Training or Meeting nights - the 3rd Wednesdays of the month and last Monday or Wednesday of the month. New members are always welcome!

4. *Planning Commission*

The Planning Commission had nothing to report, though Gaye Erkel will have a more thorough update at next month's meeting.

FUTURE BUSINESS

1. *Review proposals from student representatives from Tiger Manufacturing to develop a new sign for the Maple Town Park.*

Supervisor Lintula has been in contact with Tiger Manufacturing to develop a new sign for the town park.

2. *Schedule Board of Review Training for town officers.*

One member of the BOR must complete state approved training.

3. *Appoint a designee to complete the DOT's Culvert and Bridge inventory.*

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Supervisor TePoel to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 pm; motion seconded by Lintula and motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Rachel Lintula, Clerk

