

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

Thursday, November 14, 2024

The monthly meeting for the Town of Maple was called to order by Chairman Soyring at 7:24 pm at the Maple Community Center.

ROLL CALL

Chairman Soyring, Supervisor Jon TePoel, Supervisor Thad Lintula, Clerk Rachel Lintula, Treasurer Tanya Colby, County Board Supervisor Scott Loustari 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 October 10, October 17, and October 24, 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 encouraged residents to be mindful of Caleb Thompson while driving, noting that he often rides his bike on town roads.

OLD BUSINESS

1. *Update on the General Election held on November 5, 2024.*

Chief Inspector (CI) Gaye Erkel noted that the Town of Maple had 88% turnout, with 464 voters casting their votes. The Town also boasted a record number of 55 Election Day Registrations (EDRs). The election required additional staffing - the town appreciates the hard work of its dedicated election officials.

2. *Revisit purchasing a cell phone for town business.*

MOTION by Supervisor TePoel to purchase a cell phone for town business; motion seconded by Lintula and carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

1. *Review and adopt Budget Resolution No. 2024-11.*

MOTION by Supervisor TePoel to adopt Budget Resolution No. 2024-11; motion seconded by Lintula and carried unanimously.

2. *Review and adopt the Joint Powers Agreement with Douglas County.*

MOTION by Supervisor TePoel to adopt the Joint Powers Agreement with Douglas County; motion seconded by Lintula and carried unanimously.

3. *Review and discuss the Mathy Construction (operator)/ Roger & Tanya Colby (owner) MA-02-00589-00; MA-020-00583-00; MA-020-00584-00 RECLAMATION PLAN: Approval of Updates to Reclamation Plan #RP-223*

MOTION by Supervisor TePoel, seconded by Lintula to recommend to the county the Approval of Updates to Reclamation Plan #RP-223. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. *County Supervisor*

County Supervisor Loustari gave a county-wide update, noting among other updates that the county timber sales took place, that Alison Von Hagle presented a study on the Superior Fairground, and that Superior Days will be held in February 2025, rather than in the spring as in the past.

2. *Town Foreman (not present but prepared a report)*

Foreman Colby noted that he's been finalizing the gravel paperwork and estimates that the bill will be about \$38,000 from Milestone. The backhoe will have new tires next week, and he's working with Pat Carey to develop signage for the town. Both expenditures were included in the 2024 proposed budget.

3. *Fire Department (not present but prepared a report)*

The Department responded to 5 calls this past month: 1 EMS and UTV accident in Maple. We responded to calls in Poplar for 1 EMS, 1 EMS for Amnicon, and 1 EMS for Lake Nebagamon. The trucks and equipment appear to be in good working order; the department is working on getting the 2001 International 4800 4x4 Type 3 Fire engine winterized and into service.

As always, folks interested in joining the department are encouraged to attend any VFD 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 no items to address.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Chairman Soyring to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 pm; motion seconded by Lintula and motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Rachel Lintula, Clerk