

**APPROVED MINUTES FOR TOWN CAUCUS
MAPLE, WI**

Thursday, January 9, 2025

The Town Caucus for the April 1, 2025 election was called to order by Chairperson Soyring at 6:15 PM. Given that Chairperson Soyring was running for reelection, he was unable to preside over the caucus. Jerry Soyring was nominated to serve as Caucus Chair, and he accepted the nomination.

Nominations were requested for Town Chairperson, and Dustin Soyring was nominated; no other candidates were nominated. Nominations were then requested for the position of Town Supervisor. Jon TePoel and Thad Lintula were nominated; no other nominations were made.

Nominations were then requested for the position of Town Clerk. Rachel Lintula was nominated, though she declined the nomination several times, and had filed non-candidacy papers. However, she agreed to appear on the April ballot with the understanding she will not serve the two-year term; her last day in office will be July 1, 2025. the April. No other nominations were made.

Nominations were requested for the position of Town Treasurer. Tanya Colby was nominated though she too had filed non-candidacy papers. However, she agreed to appear on the April ballot with the understanding she will not serve the two-year term. No other nominations were made.

Thad Lintula made a motion to adjourn the Caucus at 6:51, Jerry Soyring seconded, and motion carried.

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

Thursday, January 9, 2025

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

ROLL CALL

Chairman Soyring, Supervisor Jon TePoel, Supervisor Thad Lintula, Clerk Rachel Lintula, Treasurer Tanya Colby, Foreman Roger Colby, and Fire Chief Mike Lundeen 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 TePoel, seconded by Lintula, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of January 9, 2025.

TREASURER'S REPORT

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

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT

Gaye Erkel noted, given that neither clerk nor treasurer candidates will be serving the full-term, to keep looking for additional candidates.

OLD BUSINESS

1. *Review and discuss a proposed remote meeting attendance policy, based on the Wisconsin Town's Association (WTA) sample.*

MOTION by Supervisor Lintula and seconded by TePoel to adopt the proposed DRAFT remote meeting attendance policy; motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

1. *Review town insurance policy with Agent Josh Huray.*

Josh Huray attended the town board meeting and reviewed the general policy with the board, noting that rate increases have been

small. In fact, the town's insurance costs are up negligibly from this year to last year.

2. *Review the driveway permit application for Josiah and Micheala Stano, located at Section 14, Town 48N, and Range 11W.*

MOTION by Supervisor Lintula and seconded by TePoel to approve the driveway permit application for Josiah and Michaela Stano; motion carried unanimously.

3. *Consider hiring additional dump attendants, Elijah Westerlund and Iva Jukic.*

Both Westerlund and Jukic were available and interested in working at the dump on a fill-in basis. **MOTION by Supervisor Lintula and seconded by TePoel to approve the hiring of both Westerlund and Jukic; motion carried unanimously.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. *County Supervisor*

County Supervisor Loustari was not present to give a report.

2. *Town Foreman*

Foreman Colby noted that he's been sanding roads, due the freezing rain, and brushing as weather allows. The bearings on the Chevy Silverado pick will be repaired this month, and he expects Fabick to finish the installation of the correct blade on the new grader. He noted that the boiler at the Community Center has been problematic, having some sort of electrical issue, and has required manual starting. Colby also ordered new metal faucets for the water spigot at the Fire Hall, as it had broken.

3. *Fire Department*

The Department responded to 4 calls this past month: 1 MVA, 1 EMS and 2 Alarms in Maple. The Department responded to 103 calls in 2024: 61 EMS calls and 42 Fire Department calls. 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 at Emergency Apparatus Maintenance.

The Department is hosting an EMR class at the Fire Hall, and two department members are taking the class; three department members are taking an entry-level Firefighter class hosted by the Hawthorne department. Fire Chief Lundeen is wrapping up year paperwork and reporting requirements.

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 nothing to report.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Supervisor TePoel to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 pm; motion seconded by Lintula and motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Rachel Lintula, Clerk