

ANNUAL MEETING
APRIL 17, 2018

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Edward Peterik. Board members present were Lucas Nehring, Shae Sortwell, and Chairman Edward Peterik.

Pledge of Allegiance recited. 40 people in attendance (38 town residents).

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved on motion at 7:07 p.m. by Terry Koenig, second by Richard Wegner. 38 voted aye by voice vote, 0 voted nay. Motion carried.

Clerk's financial report read and questions answered. Report accepted on motion at 7:52 p.m. by Steve Zeitler, second by Richard Wegner. 38 voted aye by voice vote, 0 voted nay. Motion carried.

Recycling report given by Nehring and Clerk. Questions were asked and answered. Town residents are doing an excellent job recycling and are encouraged to keep up the good work.

Ambulance report was given by Richard Wegner. EMTs are being sought and the 2018 fish boil was a great success with record number attendance. New ambulance computer issues have been resolved and the billing situation has improved greatly since going to LifeQuest service.

Motion by Jeff Sheffer at 7:59 p.m., second by Richard Wegner, to set next annual meeting for Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. 38 voted aye by voice vote, 0 voted nay. Motion carried.

Peterik explained request for increase in the authorized dollar amount which may be borrowed, including potential of future large culvert projects that may require additional funds in event of emergency. Motion by Terry Koenig at 8:19 p.m., second by Steve Zeitler, to authorize Town Board to borrow money not to exceed \$300,000.00. 38 voted aye by voice vote, 0 voted nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Jeff Sheffer at 8:19 p.m., second by Terry Koenig, for town board to hire road contractors and grass cutters as needed. 38 voted aye by voice vote, 0 voted nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Stanley Junk at 8:20 p.m., second by Richard Wegner, to authorize the town board to levy taxes for town purposes. 38 voted aye. 0 voted nay. Motion carried.

Town Board Compensation – Discussion was held on current salaries for elected officials. Motion by Steve Zeitler at 8:23 p.m. to set salary for chairman at \$5,000.00, plus per diem; \$2,500.00 for Lucas Nehring, plus per diem; and \$2,500.00 for Shae Sortwell, plus per diem. No second on motion. Motion failed. Motion by Steve Zeitler at 8:25 p.m., second by James Braun, to set yearly salary for chairman at \$5,000.00, plus \$50.00 per diem and \$2,500.00 for each supervisor, plus \$50.00 per diem. 36 voted aye by voice vote, 2 voted nay. Hand vote confirmed voice vote. Discussion held on clerk/treasurer salary. Motion by Edward Peterik at 8:28 p.m., second by Alan Born, to pay clerk/treasurer an hourly wage of \$11.00/hour for extra work for done at town hall outside of elected position duties. No vote taken. Discussion. Motion at 8:33 p.m. by Edward Peterik, second by Alan Born, to rescind clerk/treasurer hourly wage motion. Motion by Richard Wegner at 8:35 p.m., second by Michael Sponholtz, to set the salary of Clerk/Treasurer at \$19,000.00 per year. 38 voted aye by voice vote, 0 voted nay. Salaries will take effect after April 2019 election.

Old Business – Clerk reported on election activity to date with four future elections to take place this year. Peterik mentioned continual problem of planting/placing items in right of way areas, tires in ditches and presented pictures of areas with problems. Suggestion was made to possibly use trail cameras to catch parties responsible.

New Business – Road reports given on various roads, including but not limited to, funding options on large culverts on Twin Bridge Road, including possibility of closing Twin Bridge Road and Rockledge Road due to bridge conditions. Questions were taken from the public with answers given by the board. Peterik reported proposed road work on: Avery, Novy, River Heights, Hillview Road (from Buffalo Don's to Jambo Creek), ½ of Rockledge from Jambo Creek to Bernhardt farm, Fisherville Road with Town of Kossuth, Horse Road,

Melnik Road, and future crackfilling areas. Waiting on estimates. Sortwell gave brief update of Lake Road project – working in conjunction with Larrabee Sportsmens Club, Manitowoc County and Manitowoc Fish & Game to improve road, boat ramp and dock area, including grant. Wegner mentioned that Robert Rasmussen, former town member for 20 years, passed away.

A discussion was held on the enforcement of town ordinances; including but not limited to, outside contracting of enforcement needs, county sheriff assistance, re-establishing town constable position, and training issues. Motion by Terry Koenig at 8:42 p.m., second by Edward Peterik, to hire outside constable as needed. 33 voted aye by voice, 5 voted nay. Voice vote confirmed by hand vote.

County Representative, Jim Falkowski, was unable to attend tonight's meeting until 9:00 p.m., but the clerk read Falkowski's email thanking supporters and expressing appreciation for the town board.

With no more business to be discussed, a motion to adjourn was made by Terry Koenig, second by Richard Wegner. 38 voted aye by voice vote, 0 voted nay. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

Linda S. Herman
Town Clerk