

February 2, 2022 Regular Town Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the Town Board was called to order by Chairman Gaulke at 2:00 p.m. Supervisor Cobb, Supervisor Hanson, Treasurer Irene Messinger, Clerk Nancy Edwards were present.

Others present: Lakeland Times, John Bernard, Norm Wetzel, Kay Hoff, Jim Sommerfeldt, Roberta Gast, Susan Schoonover, DeDe Hanson, Pam Fraboni, John Bernard, Rob Milburn, Pete Kolzow, Tom Wegner, Sue Ackland, Charlene DeWald, Ryan Gauthier.

This meeting was properly posted and the media notified as required by law.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Moment of Silence for the passing of community members: Jerome Cross, Wayne Vetterneck, Roland LaBarge, Bertha King

Motion by Supervisor Cobb seconded by Supervisor Hanson to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Supervisor Cobb seconded by Supervisor Hanson to approve vouchers of the General Fund #53742, 2023-2057, ACH 1228-1233, Ambulance Fund 1876-1879, Tax Account 8323-8328 Motion carried.

Motion by Supervisor Hanson seconded by Supervisor Cobb to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2022, Regular Town Board Meeting. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report: Treasurer Irene Messinger presented her treasurers report.

Reconciled balance of the General Fund as of 1/31/2022 \$3,979,252.32.

Reconciled balance of the Ambulance Fund as of 1/31/2022 as \$496,917.79.

Motion by Supervisor Hanson seconded by Supervisor Cobb to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion Carried:

Public Comments: None

Update on Animal Shelter: Dana Rae Allen was supposed to present a presentation on the animal shelter plans. Dana Rae has since resigned so Ryan Gauthier is here today to explain the upcoming plans. Ryan stated that the Natural Resources Dept. we're discussing the plans today. They are thinking that there may be more involved such as licensing, insurance, and training. Ryan stated that if the main issue is just to house the animals until they can be transferred perhaps a smaller facility should be looked at. They will be looking at numbers and let us know if there are any updates. The funds received will be held in a separate fund and if not used returned to those involved, other than the funds collected in the donation jars. Foster care and a committee could also be looked into.

Letter from Citizens for Education in Town Governance: Supervisor Cobb asked this item be placed on the agenda today. She stated some valid points were made but she had concerns about forming a committee and she feels the zoning administrator position needs to be in place. There are a lot of concerns that the town and tribe have stronger regulations than the Vilas County Zoning has in place. Rob Milburn who is a member of the zoning committee suggested that the zoning committee get together to review our current ordinance for any updates that could be amended. Sue Ackland our current zoning administration works with Jason DeVries at the tribal office on water and other tribal standards.

Generators Update: Tom Wegner and Pete Kolzow who had been working on the bids are reporting there is still some confusion on the equipment provided and sizes. The bids are hard to compare. Suggestion was to make a comparison chart on the two companies, however we must keep in mind that the bid from Dakota was not as sealed bid, it was emailed. Bill McCutchin sent an email stating that a closer look should be done in what was bid as far as sizes, brands, RPM's and length of life. The board would like a copy of all the bids so they can compare. The clerk will get a copy to them by tomorrow.

ATV Use on County Roads: Vilas County recently wanted to amend the ATV Ordinance for ATV Use on County Roads. They have met a roadblock with public opinions; therefore the amendments are on hold. Supervisor Hanson stated that the amendments do not refer to the County Roads in the Town of Lac du Flambeau. We will see if there are any updates.

Daniel Overbey: Vilas County Court Judge Candidate. Daniel Overbey was planning to come to the meeting today to introduce himself. He was scheduled for today or the meeting on March 3, 2022. He did have a scheduled court case for today so if that was cancelled he would have been able to make today's meeting. He is not present. I would imagine he is planning on attending the March 3, 2022 Town Board Meeting.

Motion by Supervisor Cobb seconded by Supervisor Hanson to adjourn at 3:00 p.m.
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Edwards
Town Clerk