

TOWN OF LA POINTE
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY APRIL 25, 2023
5:30 PM AT TOWN HALL
Approved Minutes

Town Board Members Present: Chair Glenn Carlson, Supervisor Michael Anderson, Supervisor Aimée Baxter, Supervisor Sue Brenna, Supervisor Samantha Dobson

Staff Present: Town Administrator Michael Kuchta, Public Works Director Ben Schram, Elected Clerk Micaela Montagne

Public Present: *Charley Brummer, John Carlson, Marie Iannazzo*

Called to Order: 5:30pm

I. Public Comment A*: None.

II. Administrative Reports

A. Town Administrator's Report: Report prepared and presented by Michael Kuchta. Discussion on finding candidates/ replacement for the Accounting Administrator job. Also if a venmo or paypal like company can be used at the airport for payments. Report placed on file by Unanimous Consent.

III. Public Works

A. Roads, Dock, Harbor

1. Purchase Agreement with Chemical Industries Inc for Dust Abatement: Motion to approve with a price not to exceed \$31,980 plus ferry, and have the Chair sign, A. Baxter/ M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
2. Request For Proposals for Sidewalks at Big Bay Road/Main Street and Rec Center Pavilion, and Curb Cut on Main Street: Motion to approve doing an RFP, S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes. Motion Carried.
3. LeSueur and Bell Street Half Street Closures for the Chef's Expo on 6/15/2023: Motion to approve, M. Anderson/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. Parks

1. Hire Parks #2: Motion to hire Logan Neveaux at \$17.00/ hr as a full time temporary position from 5/17/23 to 9/22/23, M. Anderson/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
2. Hire Campground Host #2: Motion to hire Sarah Hannam at \$17.25/ hr, full time temporary position from 5/22/23 to 9/7/23, M. Anderson/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

C. Airport

1. Resolution Petitioning the Secretary of Transportation for Airport Improvement Aid: Motion to approve, M. Anderson/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

2. Agency Agreement and Federal Block Grant Owner Assurances for Department of Transportation, Bureau of Aeronautics: Motion to approve, S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

IV. Committees

A. Planning and Zoning

1. Appointment to Town Plan Commission for Term Ending 4/30/2024: Chair G. Carlson appoints Marie Iannazzo. Motion to approve, M. Anderson/ S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
2. Appointment to Town Plan Commission for Term Ending 4/30/2025: Chair G. Carlson appoints Dale Whittaker. Motion to approve, M. Anderson/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. Committee Minutes

V. Town Hall Administration

- A. Budget Summary Report: Noted that the Town will now operate on an accrual basis instead of a cash basis. Motion to approve, M. Anderson/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- B. Contract with La Pointe Construction for Master Electrician: Motion to approve the contract 4/25/23 to 12/31/24 for general electrical needs at \$80/hr, A. Baxter/ S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VI. Vouchers: Motion to approve vouchers in the amount of \$70,046.49, M. Anderson/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VII. Alternative Claims: Motion to approve Alternative Claims for March 2023 in the amount of \$162,067.60, M. Anderson/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VIII. Treasurer's Report: Motion to approve the Treasurer's Cash summary report showing a total of \$2,874,913.07 and a total available checking of \$1,054,292.20, A. Baxter/ S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

IX. Minutes

- A. Regular Town Board Meeting April 11, 2023: Motion to approve with corrections (call to order time, and typos in items V. A. 1 & 2.), M. Anderson/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

X. Emergency Services: Nothing.

XI. Public Comment B:

Marie Iannazzo thanked the Board for her appointment to the Town Plan commission. John Carlson commented on the AV/ TV install in the Town Hall, the Fire Hall issues, as well as the crack in the Town Dock.

Charley Brummer clarified that the sidewalk around the corner of Main Street and Big Bay Road will terminate in the middle of the block.

XII. Liquor & Operators' Licenses

A. "Class A" Liquor License

1. Island Market Inc., Serena Gelinis Agent (5/1/23 - 6/30/23): Motion to approve, S. Brenna/ M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. Operator's/ Bartender License

1. Hilary Nelson: Motion to approve, A. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

XIII. Lawsuits & Legal Issues

The Town Board may go into closed session during the meeting for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 (1)(g). After the completion of the closed session, the Board will come back into open session to act upon the discussion in the closed session or otherwise complete the business of the meeting before adjourning.

Motion to go into closed session to discuss all 4 agenda items, S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes by roll call vote, Motion Carried. 5:56pm.

Motion to return to open session, S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. 6:05pm.

- A. Petition with the Wisconsin Department of Revenue Regarding Ashland County: Will hopefully have a determination June or July.
- B. Claim against Ashland County pursuant to WI Statute 893.80(1d)(a): (County Board has not acted yet).
- C. Possible Lawsuit Against Ashland County
- D. Writ of Mandamus

No action on any items.

XIV. New Agenda Items for Future Meetings: Letter from Sanitary District on RV dump station, Affordable Housing Committee recommendations based on report findings, Comprehensive Plan Committee extension.

XV. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn, S. Brenna/ M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. Adjourned at 6:09pm.

Submitted by Micaela Montagne, Town Clerk.

Approved as corrected (public present added) May 9, 2023. M. Montagne, Town Clerk.