

TOWN OF LA POINTE
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
JUNE 13, 2023
5:30 PM AT TOWN HALL
Approved Amended Minutes

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

Town Board Members Absent: Supervisor Samantha Dobson

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

Public Present: Paul Brummer, Maddie Rupp, Scott Grabarek, Susie Flores, Frankie Flores, Jim Rogers, Peg Bertel

Called to Order: 5:32pm

I. Public Comment A*: Clerk Montagne read a comment from John Carlson on follow up with dock and fire hall issues.

Motion to move to agenda items V. B. 1 then 4. C. 2., A. Baxter/ S. Brenna, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

V. Committees

B. Public Arts Committee

1. Temporary Art on Pavement of Michael Cadotte Road and on Town Sidewalks: Presentation from Maddie Rupp of the Public Arts Committee on project ideas of a temporary chalk poetry art event on the street and permanent sidewalk on any new sidewalks. Discussion on making sure there can be access to road during an event in case of an emergency as well as possibly providing guidelines to the event to deter any offensive language and what to do if such occurs, *and to also get permission from adjacent property owners*. Motion to approve the project proposal with the final plan to be submitted to the Town Board for final approval, A. Baxter. S. Brenna, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

IV. Public Works

C. Airport

2. Appeal of Lease Termination on Industrial Lots 4 & 5: Scott Grabarek present to provide information on why his bill was not paid due to family issue off island, that he would like to keep his lease through 2023. Motion to reinstate the lease with the one-year extension through 2023 contingent upon payment and certificate of insurance received, M. Anderson/ A. Baxter, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

Motion to move to agenda item 4. B. 1, S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

IV. Public Works

B. Parks

1. 2023 Fee Schedule: Establish Rate for Restaurants Utilizing Town Parkland or Sidewalk for Additional Seating: Susie Flores of Grampa Tony's provided information and questions as to why this is now coming up and she feels her business is being singled out. Discussion on how the Town cannot allow business on Town Property without permits/ fees. If the items (picnic tables) are moved from Town property then there is no issue, and thus no need for a fee. If individual members of the public move their chairs on to public property, there is also no problem, as long as they are moved at the end of each day for mowing, clean up, etc. No action taken.

Motion to return to the regular agenda, item II., S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

II. Open Bids

A. Request for Proposals 'RFP 23-03' Sidewalk Installation: None received.

B. Request for Proposals: Septic Waste Removal: Two received. 1. From Island Septic for \$135/ holding tank and \$120/porta potty (with own options for Greenwood Cemetery porta potty). 2. From La Pointe Septic for \$120/ holding tank and porta potty.

III. Administrative Reports

A. Town Administrator's Report: prepared by Michael Kuchta

B. Public Works Director's Report: Prepared by Ben Schram

C. MRF Supervisor's Report: Prepared by Martin Curry

D. Airport Manager's Report & Checklist: Prepared by Paul Wilharm

E. Planning and Zoning Administrator's Report: Prepared by Ed Schaffer

F. Accounting Administrator's Report: Prepared by Barb Nelson

G. Police Chief's Report: prepared by William Defoe: Discussion on new Intoximeter.

H. Fire Chief's Report: Prepared by Rick Reichkitzer: Elevated fire danger

I. Ambulance Director's Report: Prepared by Cindy Dalzell

Reports for May 2023 placed on file by Unanimous Consent.

IV. Public Works

A. Roads, Dock and Harbor

1. Updates on Dock Issues: Crew will silicone a few gaps until more permanent welding fix can be done in winter with good ice to access.

2. Dock Use by Apostle Islands Cruises, July 21, 2023: Motion to deny the request, S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried. Discussion on looking into intermittent commercial dock use pros and cons etc.

B. Parks

2. Discussions with Madeline Sanitary District re: RV Dump Station: it was a good

meeting. Short term fix will be to mix the loads pumped from the dump station to dilute them. The lease between the DNR and the Town will be looked into to see if it can be modified.

3. Hire Parks #2: Motion to hire Zakary Hedican at ~~\$17.99/hr~~ \$17.00/hr as temporary full-time from 6/19/23 to 9/22/23 (as the first hire for this position did not work out), M. Anderson/ S. Brenna, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

C. Airport

1. Airport Fee Schedule: No need to change fees if the new payment options are implemented. Motion to get the new envelopes so the QR codes can be used for payments through Paypal, A. Baxter/ S. Brenna, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

D. Greenwood Cemetery

1. Contract with Barany Residential and Commercial Cleaning: Motion to approve, M. Anderson/ A. Baxter, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

V. Committees

- A. Planning and Zoning: Nothing at this time.

VI. Town Hall Administration

- A. Special Event Permit: Indigenous Market & Music at Joni's Beach 7/6/23- 7/9/23: Motion to approve, M. Anderson/ A. Baxter, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- B. Fireworks Permit: Hollywood Pyrotechnics, July 4, 2023: Motion to approve, A. Baxter/ M. Anderson, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- C. Contract with Superior Plumbing & Mechanical for HVAC: Motion to approve, S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- D. Revised Proposal from Harmoni Tower for Conversion of Lease to Perpetual Easement: Motion to reject the proposal, keep the current lease, M. Anderson/ A. Baxter, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- E. Extension of Vacation Hours for Town Administrator Michael Kuchta: Motion to approve 67.5 hours through 5/31/2024, M. Anderson/ A. Baxter, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VII. Vouchers: Motion to approve vouchers in the amount of \$132,701.93, M. Anderson/ A. Baxter, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VIII. Minutes

- A. Regular Town Board Meeting May 23, 2023: one typo in item III.
- B. Special Town Board Meeting June 6, 2023

Motion to approve minutes, S. Brenna/ M. Anderson, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

IX. Emergency Services

- A. Police Department

1. Employee Status of Jon Rahlf from Full Time to Part Time Effective June 24, 2023: Motion to approve, M. Anderson/ A. Baxter, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.
 2. Promotion of Thomas Rossberger to Full Time: Motion to approve starting 6/23/23 with the same wage and 2 weeks vacation, M. Anderson/ A. Baxter, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- B. Fire Department
1. Authorization of Credit Card with \$5,000 Limit: Motion to approve the card for Tim Eldred, M. Anderson/ S. Brenna, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- C. Updates on Emergency Services Building Issues: memo provided by TA states possible changes in roof/ snowguards, generator maintenance, and warranty work on the 'smart building' system.
- D. Emergency Services Week: Thank you to all of the Town's Emergency Services Personnel!!

X. Public Comment B:** Paul Brummer commented on vendors allowed to sell with a special event permit vs. no *private* tables and chairs on town property.

XI. Liquor & Operators' Licenses

- A. Combination "Class A" Liquor License and Class "A" Fermented Malt Beverage License
1. Island Market Inc., Serena Gelinis Agent
 2. Madeline Island Yacht Club Inc., Mazie Ashe Agent
 3. Mission Hill Coffee House/ La Pointe Provisions, Marie Noha
Motion to approve, M. Anderson/ S. Brenna, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- B. Class "B" Retail Sale of Fermented Malt Beverages License
1. Madeline Island Golf Club, Inc, Michael Starck Agent
 2. Rock House Food Truck, Elena Bangeeva Erickson (6/14/23 – 6/30/23)
 3. Rock House Food Truck, Elena Bangeeva Erickson
Motion to approve, M. Anderson/ S. Brenna, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- C. "Class C" Wine License
1. Rock House Food Truck, Elena Bangeeva Erickson (6/14/23 – 6/30/23)
 2. Rock House Food Truck, Elena Bangeeva Erickson
Motion to approve, M. Anderson/ S. Brenna, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- D. Cigarette and Tobacco License
1. Island Market Inc.
Motion to approve, M. Anderson/ S. Brenna, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- E. Non-intoxicating Beverage License
1. Island Market Inc.
 2. Madeline Island Golf Club, Inc
 3. Madeline Island Yacht Club
 4. Mission Hill/ La Pointe Provisions
 5. Rock House Food Truck
 6. Superior Scooters
Motion to approve, M. Anderson/ S. Brenna, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

F. Operator's Licenses

1. Charles Campbell
2. Kye Castillo
3. Anthony Jeannette
4. Bruce McLellan
5. Savannah Newton
6. Nancy Sandstrom
7. Ronald Skoglund Jr.

Motion to approve, M. Anderson/ S. Brenna, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

XII. Lawsuits & Legal Issues

- A. Petition with the Wisconsin Department of Revenue Regarding Ashland County: waiting for the July 24th deadline for a decision.
- B. Claim against Ashland County pursuant to WI Statute 893.80(1d)(a): Ashland County denied the claim, the Town has not received any formal notification yet.
- C. Possible Lawsuit Against Ashland County

XIII. New Agenda Items for Future Meetings: Industrial lot lease, change the Town Board meeting start time to 5:00, sidewalks RFP

XIV. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn, S. Brenna/ M. Anderson, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried. Adjourned at 6:57pm.

Submitted by Micaela Montagne, Town Clerk.

Approved with corrections: 1. Add adjacent property owner permission to item V. B. 1. Public arts, and 2. Add 'private' to Paul Brummer's public comment B, item X.

June 27, 2023. M. Montagne, Town Clerk.

Approved as amended July 11, 2023: Incorrect wage for Parks #2 in item IV. B. 3. M. Montagne, Town Clerk.