

October 2023 Public Works Report

Roads/Equipment

- With weather in our favor, the first week of the month saw some substantial road
 improvement work accomplished. The crew replaced three culverts on North Shore
 Road, and one culvert on Benjamin Blvd. In addition, just south of the Benjamin Blvd.
 culvert, the crew ditched down the slope to Cty H. and around the corner heading west
 towards the next cross culvert. This was a large washout area last April, and we hope
 these efforts will mitigate any potential spring washouts well into the future.
- One culvert on Chippewa Trail was replaced on 10/18.
- The Town's seven building generators were serviced by Total Energy Systems, with some
 additional repairs to be made next month. Ray built some great covers for the Town Hall
 and Clinic generators also the new Town Hall mini-split. Snow and ice slid off the Clinic
 roof last spring, kinking the propane line serving the generator.
- Winter preparations continued at the shop, including putting away attachments for the year such as the disc cutter and loader broom, and servicing snow removal equipment.
 Evan overhauled the 2-ton sander with new hoses and fittings, new gear oil, and a new conveyer.
- The original boiler in the SRE building failed internally, which operates the in-floor heat system, and is scheduled to be replaced next month.
- The wing was mounted on the grader, and the Westernstar (220) was outfitted for the season with plow, wing, and sander.
- The first official plow day was the morning of Halloween, as the crew was out on the paved roads and parking lots to clean up slush.

Parks

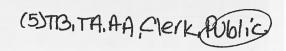
- Big Bay Town Park was drained down and blown out on October 23rd. Camping and pit toilets continue to remain available year-round. 2024 camping reservations are being consistently booked for peak weekends.
- The downtown public bathrooms and remaining porta potties were closed for the season following a rainy Fall Fest weekend. I hope to keep the Rec Center bathrooms open well into November, temperature dependent, or until significant snowfall impedes parking options.
- The Town's solar arrays were adjusted to winter season position.

Misc./Admin.

- Thanks very much to Michael K. for taking the time this month to put together the State's LRIP (Local Roads Improvement Program) application for rehabilitation of Mondamin Trail. Hopefully we will hear some good news.
- I hope that the Halloween snow was a good reminder to get ready for winter season driving, prep your vehicle, and slow down when appropriate. Drive safe out there,

Respectfully submitted, Ben Schram, Public Works Director RECEIVED

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TOWN BOARD MEMO

From: Michael Kuchta
Date: Oct. 31, 2023
Re: Premier resort area

State statute 66.1113 allows communities to declare themselves a premier resort area if at least 40% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property within the community is used by tourism-related retailers. The legislation defines 21 categories of retailers that qualify. In La Pointe, retailers might qualify under the categories of miscellaneous and general merchandise stores; retail bakeries; eating places; drinking places; liquor stores; sporting goods stores and bicycle shops; gift, novelty and souvenir shops, hotels and motels, public golf courses, and amusement and recreational services, not elsewhere classified.

Communities that qualify are able to enact a sales tax of 0.5% on an even larger list of retailers. Based on state statistics for 2022, a local sales tax could have generated roughly \$45,000 for La Pointe, assuming the tax could have been applied to all retail activity.

It is unlikely that La Pointe would qualify under the statutory formula, however. The state calculates the equalized value in La Pointe in 2023 at \$385,743,300. That would require the equalized value of tourism-related retailers to exceed \$154,297,320, which is a high bar to clear.

A more likely path for La Pointe would be to seek special legislation allowing the Town to declare itself a premier resort area. This has worked for six other communities: Bayfield, Eagle River, Ephraim, Rhinelander, Sister Bay, and Stockholm. (However, be aware that all these communities are cities or villages; no town is among the exceptions allowed in statute.) Typically, this path requires the legislation clearing the Assembly, Senate and Governor's Office; the Town Board adopting a resolution of its intent to impose the tax; and electors approving the resolution through a referendum held during a statewide election at least 70 days after the Town Board's action.



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TOWN BOARD MEMO

From: Michael Kuchta Date: November 7, 2023

Re: Budget updates (Additional comments since Nov. 3 are highlighted)

2024 Full Budget Worksheet

Updated all 2023 Actual figures to 10/31

• Updated "rest of year" estimates for final two months of 2023

• This combination yields new end-of-year estimates, and new over/under estimates

Based on corrections and updates detailed below, if the spreadsheets are correct, the
result is a projected end-of-year unspent balance of \$174,400. Combining the projected
EOY balance, updated revenue projections, and projected expenditure cuts totals roughly
\$115,420, which leaves a projected 2024 budget gap of roughly \$634,580.

2024 Fee Structure

• Campground fees: new language on cancellation policy

• Zoning: Changes renewal fee for short-term rental permits to \$300, changes permit year (June 15-June 14)

Ambulance	
#100-00-52300-110-000	Changes weekend pay (outside of peak season) back to \$60/shift; clarifies that all holidays are \$85/shift
#100-00-46230-000-000	Reduces anticipated billing revenue by 20% of anticipated billings; result is increase in anticipated revenue of \$35,550 from \$11,850 to \$47,400
#100-0052300-510-000	Adds \$349 to anticipated expenses for 2023, bringing EOY total to \$2,893. Adds similar amount to 2024 budget, bringing line item to \$3,701
#100-00-57230-000-000	Reflects that "bonus" Act 102 funds are not expected to be available in 2024; this reduces transfer for replacement ambulance to \$6,400
<u>Fire</u>	
#100-00-43420-000-000	Adds expectation of "2% dues" for 2024; audit must be filed by April 30; funds would be disbursed in summer
#100-00-52200-110-000	Reduces average turnout from 18 to 8 per response, which reduces cost from \$25,920; reduces inspector fee from \$700 to \$400
#100-0052200-510-000	Adds \$710 to anticipated expenses for 2023, bringing EOY total to \$5,075. Adds similar amount to 2024 budget, bringing line item to \$6,382.
#100-00-53555-000-000	Eliminates expectation of FFP grant money: no application was filed in 2023; filing deadline is July 1, reimbursement is following year, project year runs Oct. 1-April 15

Library	
#100-00-57610-000-000	Eliminates capital request for ADA-compliant doors
General Government	
#100-00-51100-110-000	Corrects pay info for Town Board members
#100-00-51410-110-000	Corrects TA salary as requested
#100-00-51440-110-000	Changes number of anticipated elections from 3 to 4
#100-00-51980-390-000	Reduces anticipated MIFL charges by \$8,000
*	Eliminates proposed dedicated debt reserve
#100-00-46900-000-000	Eliminates proposed passenger landing fee
MRF	
#100-00-53630-110-000	Reduces recycling specialist hours to 1,560, which is level
	authorized in hiring motion; eliminates seasonal position (these
	steps also reduce FICA, retirement, workers comp and
	other accounts)
#100-00-53630-380-000	Eliminates this account for 2024, as it appears to duplicate
	#100-00-53633-000-000; both are hazardous waste accounts
#100-00-53630-381-000	Corrects formula error which double-counted \$37,500. New total for 2024 is \$49,400.
#100-00-53633-000-000	Eliminates \$20,000 by deferring Clean Sweep until 2025, New total for 2024 is \$6,085.
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Parks	
#100-00-55200-110-000	Corrects formula error. Reduces 2024 total by \$3,690, to \$29,880
#100-00-55200-130-000	Corrects formula error. Reduces 2024 total by \$282, to \$2,286,
Police	
#100-00-43550-000-000	Adds \$14,000 for expected reimbursement from WI Department of Justice for Karl Williams academy training
#100-00-52100-110-000	Maintains staffing 24/7 year round
#100-00-57210-000-000	Eliminates \$5,000 in squad upgrades
Roads	
#100-00-53313-510-000	Corrects insurance amounts for vehicles, liability and buildings
#100-00-57327-000-000	Eliminates fuel tank purchase
#100-00-57331-000-000	Eliminates gravel stockpile

(5) TB, TA, AA, Clerk, PWD, Public

Letters from MRFY -- "The Hibernation Season"

Superior autumn leaves are clinging to the last bits of hope Hidden among the frozen branches.

Amber oaks and spotty maples against a background of pines Paint the silent island landscape reminding us all that The hibernation season has arrived.

I arrive at work on these frosty MRF mornings before sunrise and there is a silence that is all encompassing. No birds are stirring. No cars are passing on the road. Even the distant morning rumble of the ferry is absent, and the only break in the stillness is the sound of my work boots shuffling across the frozen gravel. It's pretty special.

I open the office door and turn on the light, with the soft industrial fluorescent hum welcoming me. Soon, the pitter patter of morning coffee dripping through the filter reminds me that the workday has begun. The flow of recycling has slowed. Our neighbors have left for off-island destinations. Big hugs and one last punch of the ticket before the long road trip begins. A pan of beautifully baked fudge brownies has been dropped off, the frosting glistening in the office light, a show of appreciation for all the help this summer. I quickly wolf one down and it pairs very nicely with my "saddle brown coffee". That's what Mort Cushman used to call his coffee with a bit of milk in it: "Saddle Brown". I miss Mort.

The apples on the trees at the golf course have fallen and the deer are grateful for it. The hunters have taken to the woods for bow season and the island trade of *Wawaskeshi* (venison) has begun. Later this month, after rifle season, the jerky trade will begin and recipes will be compared. My dad used to smoke his jerky in an old powder blue General Electric refrigerator at our farm in mid-Michigan. It was pure torture waiting two days for the process to be completed, but the day that the door was opened and the racks of meat were first available for grabbing, my 8-year-old hands seized three or four pieces and I hastily retired to our barn to sit on hay bales and savor those flavorful bits of meat. I still use his recipe to this day.

We are finishing up the year here at MRF Central. Michael is putting some serious miles on Woodstock to haul the last of the cardboard, plastic and other baled material. The lot here at 412 Big Bay Road is



becoming sparse of activity. Electronics, fluorescent bulbs, copper wire, batteries will all be hauled to mainland destinations. The compost project is wrapping up for the season and, while we will still continue to accept food scraps, the summer volume is greatly reduced. It's being mixed off site with chicken manure and leaves, covered and left to "do its thing" all winter long. Next year, we will distribute to the community garden, school garden etc.

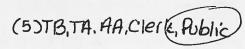
Speaking of school: We had the afterschool program here for a few days to paint tires and try their hand at paper-making. It's always nice to be able to have them help with the beautification here at the MRF. Special thanks to Samantha, Zak, and all the kids.

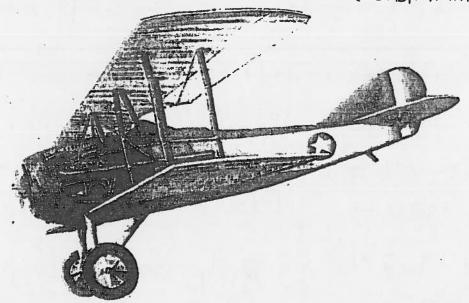
Be MRFtastic.

Martin A. Curry

Recycling Supervisor

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Major Gilbert Field (4R5)

To: Town Board

From: Paul Wilharm

Date: 11/02/23

Re: Monthly report for October 2023

During the month of October our airport was issue free with the exception of the following:

An airport user with a history of generosity has become disgruntled with the town. This individual changed the internet network and password on his provided router causing the weather computer to default. I went to Ashland and purchased a router and set it up which is now town owed. Time was spent with tech support to get the weather computer up and running. Pilots use the weather computer and the internet for flight planning so they are key safety infrastructure. I removed the old router from the locked utility room to present to its owner and it was found in the garbage with the antennas broken off. On a good note the BOA contractor put fresh markings down mid October and the resurfacing project is complete with praise from many airport users.

Attached are logs / checklists

Thanks I

Paul cover + (3)

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Following filed flight plans

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Zoning Report 10/31/2023 Routing: TB (5), TPC (5), Clerk (1), Assistant Clerk (1) Email Staff: (5)

ZONING REPORT 10/31/2023

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building/Land Use Permits	2023	Value	\$6,325.00	\$13,593.00	\$19,918.00	
			County	Town	Total	

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Permits	\$12,343	Permits	\$21,024.00
Variance	0	Variance	
CSM	\$500.00	CSM	\$750.00
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Total	\$13,593.00	Total	\$23,289.00

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Rentals by owner	77	\$13,825.00	71	\$12,900.00
Madeline Island Vacations	49	\$8,575.00	49	\$7,200.00
The Inn on Madeline Island	21	\$5,075.00	29	\$4,650.00
Total rental properties	155	\$27,475.00	149	\$24,750.00
All Short-Term Rentals are paid and processed.	nd processed			

Zoning Report 10/31/2023 Routing: TB (5), TPC (5), Clerk (1), Assistant Clerk (1) Email Staff: (5)

COUNTY		\$200.00							00000	\$200.00	\$175.00
NWOT	\$75.00	\$126.00	\$72.00	\$50.00	\$343.75	\$343.75	\$343.75	\$343.75	\$75.00	\$203.00	\$123.00
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PARCEL#	00024-0100	00162-0120	00290-0200	00206-2003	00206-2001	00206-2002	00206-2013	00206-2010	00002-0600	00158-0700	00161-0700
FIRE# STREET	2541 Anderson Ln. 1050 Middle Rd.	Middle Rd.	South Shore Rd	520 Pumphouse Rd.	Pumphouse Rd.	Pumphouse Rd.	Raspberry Tr.		Islewood	Stone Point	Hagen Rd.
FIRE #	2541	1453	1117	520	200	510	814	601	747	1014	1625
NAME Matthew	McQuillan Regina LaBoche	Nate Nelson	Michael Kuchta	Robert Hartzell	Robert Hartzell	Robert Hartzell	Robert Hartzell	Robert Hartzell	Karwalt-Johnson	Roland Brennink	Thaddeus Ewald
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Bob Hartzell brought in applications for the next four "Glamping Units" on his expandable condominium lots. James Price and I have had correspondence regarding the Hartzell project; Price is still reviewing the applications for UDC permits. I feel they should have this resolved soon.

As I was cleaning out my file cabinets, I came across a permit that said "garage only" on a project on Mondamin. After checking on the property, there is a house built. After discussing this with the owner, I informed him that he needed a "change of use" permit and would have to pay double the fees for building without a permit.

Ed Schaffer

Submitted 10/31/2023



Internal Accounting Coordinator Report October 2023

11/1/2023

1. Software:

a. Workhorse Training Conference went well. I felt confident in what I have been doing in Workhorse and how to use the system, especially after the training. They went over a lot of questions that I had; most of their customers seemed to have many of the same questions. They introduced a new accounts receivable module that will be available in 2024, to replace their miscellaneous billing module. This will be helpful when sending out bills and I am looking forward to them releasing the module in the new year.

2. Grants:

a. I plan to work on the grant reimbursement for the airport CARES grants next week. Michael Kuchta thinks it would be best to try to receive this money sooner than later to help with budget season and planning for the 2024 budget.

b. The ACT 102 for the ambulance is due the end of November. I assisted Cindy in getting the proper documents from town hall and passed it along to her to submit the application.

3. Ehlers:

- a. Angie came to the office on November 1st. We had a meeting with Workhorse to learn how to create custom reports within the accounting software. In doing these custom reports, it will be quicker and easier to get reports for the town board. Furthermore, this will allow the department heads to be able to extract the exact information they are wanting for their reporting throughout the year, and especially during budget season.
- b. During the Workhorse training, I learned about reconciling within the Workhorse software system. I have asked Angie to do the last couple of months so I can focus on the day to day work here in the office. She will teach me how to do this once she understands how it works in the system. This will reduce billable hours.
- c. Angie and I continue to meet weekly.

4. Budget Season:

a. Michael has been hard at work on all the budget worksheets with the department heads and town board. Occasionally he asks me questions and I am happy to help him find what he is looking for within Workhorse. I have been attending the budget workshop meetings to better understand the budget process. I would like to be more involved next year.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren Burtaux

Internal Accounting Coordinator

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Initial: dq



LA POINTE POLICE DEPARTME

MADELINE ISLAND 270 MAIN STREET LA POINTE, WISCONSIN 54850

PHONE: (715) 747-6913 FAX: (715) 747-3096 police@townoflapointewi.gov

To:

Town Board

From: William Defoe

Date: 11/6/2023

Re: Monthly Police Report for November

During the month October 2023, the La Pointe Police issued the following:

7 **Parking Citations**

Traffic Citations 1

0 **Ordinance Citations**

Arrests transported off island. 1

0 Arrests released to responsible parties.

Welcome to November, the leaves are gone, and most tourists are as well. Calls for service have declined but is perfectly normal for this time of year.

Hunting season is upon us, please know where you are hunting and that you have permission to hunt on that land you are set upon. Property owners change from year to year and what was acceptable last year, may not be this year, please renew your hunting permissions. Also please get updated hunting regulations for state park properties.

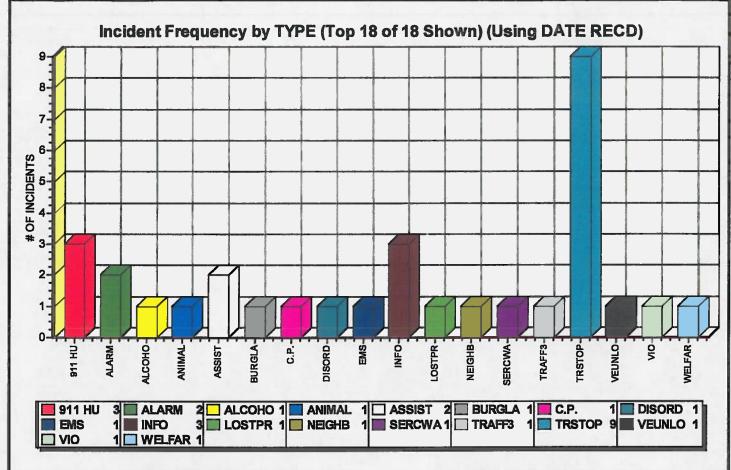
Another update on Karl in the academy, he has successfully passed phase 2 of testing and is on his way to graduation in December. He will be on the island during hunting season while school is out in the car with one of us.

I would like to reiterate what I had in my report from last month, that there are times when an officer is not available on the island and those days and times vary from week to week. Ashland County has been holding many calls until there is one and not responding themselves. If you have a law enforcement issue, please call Ashland County Dispatch at 715-682-7023, extension 1 for the non-emergency dispatch line or 911 for an emergency. Please do not call the town hall, as officers may not get the message in a timely manner. People have been trying to call officers directly or trying to go around contacting dispatch. Ashland County officials do not believe these calls exist when you come to us instead of going through dispatch which adds to the current situation. I cannot reiterate enough, for law enforcement services, please do not call us direct or try to get our personal phone numbers, just call dispatch, that is what they are there for.

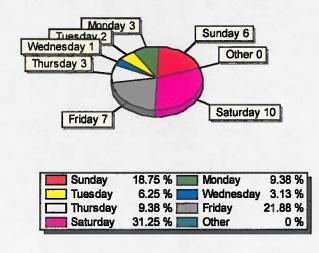
If there are any questions or wish to discuss things within the department, please feel free to come talk to me.



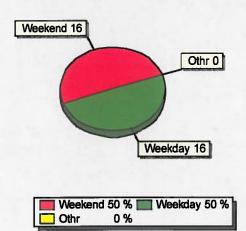
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(5)TB, TA, AA, Clerk, Public

Madeline Island Ambulance Service Report November 7, 2023

We had six runs in October, which is still pretty busy for this time of year. Four of the runs were transports, one was a non-transport, and one was a fire stand-by.

Clint (from the new billing company) and I have been working on making our system more efficient. He needs more reporting than the last company, but I hope that means better collections. This month, we are going to start working on how to bring in the state collection system to our billing network. After 90 days, any unpaid bills will go to collections.

Sarah has purchased new tires for our larger rig. They should help us with the winter driving ahead.

EVOC training was a big success. There were about 40 participants from the fire department and EMS for the Friday night and Saturday review and class.

We have the demo for our EKG equipment in house and have begun training on it. We are starting with learning more about capnography. We have a few new accessories to learn how to use, and the rep from Styker is making sure we have everything we need for training.

I had my budget meeting with the Town Board and Michael Kuchta. I understand the need for streamlining the budget. I have always worked within my budget and hope to continue to be able to do so. I am working with Cal Linehan at the Ferry Line to purchase radios for any additional ferry boat captains that need them for emergency ferry boat runs. He seems willing to do so.

I have started the process to complete the 2024 ACT 102 funding application and expense report. Laura and everyone at the town hall have been very helpful with some of the documentation the state is asking for. It is due by the end of November.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia Dalzell, Madeline Island Ambulance Service

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TOWN OF LA POINTE

MADELINE ISLAND

240 Big Bay Road PO Box 270 LA POINTE, WI 54850

SERVICE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF LA POINTE AND LANGE ENTERPRISES

WHEREAS, the Town of La Pointe ("Town") desires to obtain the services described herein; and

WHEREAS, Lange Enterprises (Supplier) represents to the Town that it has the expertise, knowledge and experience necessary to properly perform this contract according to its terms and that it is ready, willing and able to do so,

NOW, THEREFORE, in exchange for the valuable consideration set forth herein, the Town and Supplier agree to these provisions:

- 1. Description of Services. The Supplier, in accordance with the terms and provisions set forth herein, will provide the Town with the following services:
 - 18-inch-by-6-inch flag-style fire number signs, 2 square corners, 2 radius corners; .080 aluminum, double-sided 3M HiP sheeting with protective overlay; white letters/border on red background: Line 1, 3.5-inch number; Line 2, 1-inch road name.
 - Steel-channel post, 30-hole punch, painted green, 6-1/2 foot (1.12 lb/ft) for each sign.
 - All necessary mounting hardware.
 - Delivery to Bayfield Lumber. Town will be responsible for arranging a shipper and shipping freight to the island.

Town will supply Excel spreadsheet or similar document, not later than Dec. 31, 2023. The document will contain all numbers and road names in accordance with the Supplier's specifications. Count is expected to be between 900 and 1,000 signs.

2. Payment. In exchange for the Supplier providing the Town with the services described herein, the Town will pay the Supplier as follows:

50% down upon full execution of contract 50% upon final invoice after delivery

The total amount payable by the Town to the Supplier for services under this contract shall not exceed \$28.75 per sign (hardware included), plus delivery charges.

3. Dates of Service. The services provided for herein shall be completed by April 1-202

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- 4. Reimbursement for Expenses. Unless modified in writing, the Supplier shall bear all other costs and expenses under the terms of this Contract.
- 5. Workmanlike Manner. The services provided by the Supplier shall be provided in a workmanlike manner consistent with the terms and provisions of this contract. The Supplier will cooperate and confer as necessary with the Town Administrator and/or designee to ensure satisfactory work progress.
- 6. No Assignment. Neither party to this contract may assign their rights or obligations under this contract to another, in whole or in part, without prior written consent of the other party. Any assignment or attempted assignment in violation of this provision shall be null and void.
- 7. Assumption of Liability. Each party to this contract accepts and assumes and shall be liable and responsible for any and all damages, injuries, deaths, losses, costs, expenses, fees and charges caused by the acts, omissions and negligence of its own directors, officers, members, employees, agents and representatives and any subcontractors and shall project, defend and hold the other party to this agreement harmless from the same.
- 8. Relationship Between Town of La Rointe and Supplier. With respect to this contract, the Supplier shall be an independent contractor in regard to the Town and not an employee of the Town.
- 9. Applicable Law; Venue. This contract shall be interpreted under the laws of the State of Wisconsin. Any suit or proceeding relating to this contract shall be venued in Ashland County, Wisconsin.

Approved by Town Board (date)		
Signed	1 2	
Town Board Chair	Date	
For Supplier	Date	
Print name:		
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Town purchase order	(EXHIBIT A)	

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November 8, 2023

BY HAND DELIVERY

Wisconsin Tax Appeals Commission DOA Building 101 E. Wilson Street, 5th Floor Madison, WI 53703

Re: Town of La Pointe v. Wisconsin Department of Revenue Appeal of Case No. 2023-DOR-001, Docket No. 23-J-183

Dear Tax Appeals Commission:

Per the Commission's October 20, 2023 Order in the above-referenced matter, enclosed please find for filing on behalf of the Town of La Pointe an original and three copies of the Town's Statement of the Case.

Please file-stamp the extra (fourth) copy of the Petition and return it to our courier.

Per the parties' stipulation during the scheduling conference yesterday, service of this cover letter and filing will be accomplished by email to all counsel of record. Should you have any questions about this, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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STATE OF WISCONSIN TAX APPEALS COMMISSION

In Re the Matter of the Applicability of Wis. Stat. §§ 59.605(3)(c) and 66.0602(3)(a) & (b) to the Town of La Pointe and Ashland County:

Town of La Pointe,

Petitioner,

VS.

Case No. 2023-DOR-001 Docket No. 23-J-183

Wisconsin Department of Revenue.

Respondent.

TOWN OF LA POINTE'S STATEMENT OF THE CASE

Introduction

The Town of La Pointe (the "Town") has filed a Verified Petition for Review before the State of Wisconsin Tax Appeals Commission (the "TAC"). The Town seeks a de novo review of the Wisconsin Department of Revenue's ("DOR") Declaratory Ruling dated July 19, 2023. In that decision, the DOR held that the Town was not entitled to increase its levy by \$190,668.56 and Ashland County's (the "County") levy was not to be reduced by a like amount as a result of the County transferring responsibility to the Town for providing essential law enforcement patrol and dispatch services beginning on January 1, 2023. Rather, the DOR ruled that there was no transfer of responsibility and, accordingly, there should be no levy adjustments.

Pursuant to the TAC's Notice of Telephone Status Conference, dated October 20, 2023, the Town now provides: (1) a clear and concise statement of the facts of the case,

(2) the Town's objections to the DOR's decision, and (3) the points of law upon with the Town relies.

Statement of Facts

The Town, County, and DOR, through their counsel, have stipulated that the TAC may rely upon the evidence presented at the hearing held before the DOR on April 14, 2023; namely, the transcript and exhibits admitted into evidence. A complete copy of the transcript and all admitted exhibits, including those referenced below, will be provided to the TAC by stipulation of the parties shortly.

The evidence presented before the DOR demonstrates that: (1) the County had provided patrol and response services directly to the Town, (2) the County and Town then entered into an arrangement whereby the County no longer provided those services directly, but instead purchased them from the Town, which used those funds to expand its police force to provide those services that the County had previously provided directly, and (3) effective January 1, 2023, the County stopped all payments to the Town for patrol and response services and did not return to directly providing sufficient or meaningful services within the Town.

The Town is geographically separated from the balance of the County by a body of water. (4/14/23 Hearing Transcript ("Tr."), 79:20-80:7). As a result, there are only a few ways that a member of the County's Sheriff's Department can access the Town. (Tr., 82:12-83:6). They can take the ferry, which has limited hours and does not run in extreme weather. (Tr., 83:7-22). In the winter, when the ice is thick enough, there is an ice road. When the ice is not thick enough for the ice road, but too thick for the ferry, one can use the passenger-only wind sled services. (Tr., 82:2-6, 21-23). When the

ferry is not running and the ice road is not open, there is no realistic way for one to get a vehicle or squad to the Town. (Tr., 83:23-84:3).

Accordingly, the Sheriff's Department does not have the same access to the Town as it does the balance of the County. (Tr., 211:3-213:5). Even when the Sheriff's Department does have access, the response times are necessarily slow, between 45 minutes to an hour and a half. (Tr., 211:3-213:5). The Town has a population of approximately 430 year-round residents. (Tr., 80:8-13). Because the Town is a popular tourist destination, the population swells in the summer to about 2,500-3,000 residents and up to 7,000 daytime visitors. (Tr., 81:17-82:10).

The Town presented unrebutted testimony that the County used to provide patrol and response services directly to the Town by having a Deputy stationed on the Island, along with a squad car. (Tr., 13:20-14:3). That Deputy provided meaningful law enforcement services to the Town including regular patrol, backup, and investigative services. (Tr., 14:4-23). That arrangement ended in the Fall of 1977 when that Deputy was terminated. (Tr., 16:14-23).

The Sheriff could not replace the Deputy that had been stationed on the Island and, at the same time, could not afford to have a Deputy travel back and forth between the Island and the mainland regularly. (Tr., 19:9-13). On the other hand, the Town did not have a police force that was sufficient to provide adequate law enforcement services on the Island. (Tr., 19:19-23). The Sheriff proposed that instead of replacing the Deputy, the County would pay the Town for the cost of an additional police officer. (Tr., 18:12-19). The Town agreed and that arrangement began in 1979; the parties' agreement was not in writing. (Tr., 21:1-9, 22:2-11). Initially, the County paid for one

full-time officer and a portion of the expenses for a patrol car. (Tr., 20:1-5). Every year, the Town officials and County officials would meet and agree upon an exact figure. (Tr., 20:13-23).

This agreement was first reduced to writing in 1995 (the "1995 Law Enforcement Agreement"). (Tr., 26:1-4, 31:12-14). The 1995 Law Enforcement Agreement essentially continued the prior oral agreement that the parties had been operating under. (Tr., 32:13-18); (Town Exhibit 3). The County provided funds sufficient for one full-time police officer and half of the expenses related to a squad car. (*Id.*). The Town would occasionally also request additional funds from the County for specific needs; for example, in 2001, the Town requested an additional \$83,000 for two additional part-time seasonal officers, and the County approved \$69,000. (Town Exhibits 8 and 9).

In 2008, the parties signed a replacement agreement, the Law Enforcement Agreement Between LaPointe and Ashland County. (Tr. 33:16-20); (Town Exhibit 4). Under this Agreement, the County funded another part-time officer. *Id.*; (Tr., 96:4-20). At this time, the County was reimbursing the Town for one full-time officer, three part-time officers, and half of the expenses for one squad car. (*Id.*). The Town's police force continued to grow as its needs increased and the County continued to fund the additional positions. The County acknowledged that it received a benefit from this arrangement in that the County did not need to hire as many deputies and it allowed the Sheriff to focus on the mainland. (Tr., 262:15-19); (Tr., 279:13-280:8).

The County did not consistently follow the formula for payment that was provided in the 2008 Agreement and, in later years, instead provided flat payments. (Tr., 97:17-98:12). While these agreements were in place, the County provided very few direct law

enforcement services to the Town. (Tr., 27:2-19). The County did not provide routine patrol, immediate/meaningful backup, routine assistance with large events, or regular investigative services. (Tr., 26:10-29:15-19). The County unilaterally terminated the 2008 Agreement by letter dated April 4, 2022, informing the Town of the termination which would take effect December 31, 2022. (Tr., 106:16-19); (Town Exhibit 5). The parties attempted to negotiate a replacement agreement but were not successful. (Tr., 107:8-108:14). On October 24, 2022, the Town contacted the DOR to inquire about a levy adjustment due to the termination of the 2008 Agreement and the transfer of services. (Tr., 113:23-116:15); (Town Exhibit 1). The DOR initially indicated that the Town could increase its levy by \$135,000 (the amount of the flat payment the County had been providing), and the County should decrease its levy by the same amount. (Id.). After the County met with the DOR, the DOR reversed course and indicated that it no longer believed a levy adjustment was appropriate. (Tr. 115:19-22).

Following the termination of the 2008 Law enforcement Agreement, effective December 31, 2022, the County is not providing the Town with any meaningful law enforcement services related to patrol, dispatch response, investigation, or backup. (Tr., 38:17-21); (Tr., 123:19-25, 124:4-25). For a very short period, the County did place a squad car on the Island so that a Deputy could respond to calls once he/she was able to physically get to the Island; however, the squad car was inoperable and removed shortly after its arrival, never to be replaced. (Tr., 37:13-38:1, 125:1-25, 205:21-206:4). The Sheriff acknowledged that he cannot afford to have a Deputy on the Island regularly. (Tr., 201:14-203:18).

The Sheriff also acknowledged that he has a duty to maintain law and order

throughout the County and that a consistent presence is an integral part of that duty. (Tr., 225:9-12, 20-24). Notwithstanding that acknowledgment, the uncontroverted evidence at the hearing is that the County is providing the exact same level of direct law enforcement service in 2023 as it did prior to the termination of the 2008 Agreement, while no longer providing such services indirectly by purchasing them from the Town. (Tr., 227:8-14); (Tr., 268:5-10). The Sheriff indicated that there was no plan to increase direct services. (Tr., 221:7-17).

The evidence at the hearing also demonstrated that since January 1, 2023, the Town is not receiving law enforcement services from the County at the same level as other, similarly situated communities within the County. For example, evidence was presented at the hearing as to the County's law enforcement call response figures for both Mellen and the Town for 2019-2022. (County Exhibits V, W, X, Y, Z, AA). The populations for the Town and Mellen are very similar; Mellen also has two full-time police officers. (Tr., 227:15-228:10); (Tr., 178:25-179:1). The County's figures show that it responded to 1,031 calls in Mellen from 2019 through 2022, and a mere 56 calls in the Town over the same period. (County Exhibit V, X, Y, Z, and AA); (Tr., 185:22-186:16). The law enforcement call response needs for those two communities are comparable: the total number of call responses in Mellen from 2019 to 2022 is 3233, while the total number of call responses in La Pointe during the same period is 3442. (County Exhibit W).

Approximately 20.9% of the County's budget comes from the Town's taxpayers. (Tr., 133:18-134:6). The Town's taxpayers are thus paying approximately \$364,000 for law enforcement services that they are not receiving in any material way. (Tr., 135:1-7).

The Town also presented evidence that the only other community in the State that is geographically isolated on an island, the Town of Washington Island, receives funding from Door County for law enforcement on that island. (Tr., 119:14-25).

Objections to DOR's Actions/Decision

The Town objects to the DOR's interpretation of Wisconsin Statutes §§ 59.605(3)(c) and 66.0602(3) (the "Levy Adjustment Statutes") and the application of those statutes to the facts in this case. Specifically, the Town objects to the Conclusions of Law set forth in the July 19, 2023, Declaratory Ruling. Those Conclusions of Law were:

- 1. Termination of the 2008 agreement between the parties did not transfer responsibility for providing any service that the County provided in 2022.
- Ashland County is not required to decrease its levy in 2023 pursuant to Wisconsin Statute § 66.0602(3)(a).
- 3. The Town of La Pointe may not increase its levy in 2023 pursuant to Wisconsin Statute § 66.0602(3)(b).

The Levy Adjustment Statutes are unambiguous and, under the plan language of those statutes, the County transferred responsibility for providing law enforcement services to the Town when it unilaterally terminated the financial arrangement with the Town to provide those services indirectly. The DOR did not adequately consider the facts and evidence in the record and its findings of fact omitted a great deal of uncontested facts presented at the hearing. The DOR misapplied the Levy Adjustment Statutes to the facts before it. Further, the DOR's holding that, "To the extent any transfer of responsibility occurred, that transfer was one of funds, not services," ignores the fact

that many services provided by a municipality are provided indirectly, through funding.

Points of Law Relied Upon

There is no binding judicial authority, or even persuasive judicial authority, interpreting the Levy Adjustment Statutes. Further, the DOR has never published an interpretation of these statutes through decision, guidance documents, or any other materials. This is a matter of pure statutory interpretation, and one of first impression. Statutory interpretation begins with the language of the statute; statutory language is given its common, ordinary and accepted meaning, except that specifically defined or technical words are given their specific definitions or technical meaning. *State* ex rel. *Kalal v. Cir. Ct. for Dane Cty.*, 2004 WI 58, ¶ 44–45, 271 Wis. 2d 633, 681 N.W.2d 110. The Levy Adjustment Statutes are unambiguous. The key words to interpret in these statutes are "transfer," "responsibility," "service," and "provide." These are not technical words, or specifically-defined words and, therefore, they are to be given their common meaning. Accordingly, the Town relies upon the common definitions provided by Dictionary.com in interpreting these terms and applying them to the facts of the case.

Conclusion

The Town seeks a reversal of the DOR's Declaratory Ruling and a declaration that Wisconsin Statutes §§ 59.605(3)(c) and 66.0602(3) apply to the facts herein such that the Town may increase its levy by \$190,668.56, while the County's levy must be decreased by a like amount.

(Signatures on Following Page)

Dated this 8th day of November, 2023.

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TOWN OF LA POINTE

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Request for Proposal

38kW Ground-mounted Solar Photovoltaic Array plus 30kW/60kWh Battery Energy Storage Microgrid at Emergency Services Building, Town of La Pointe, Madeline Island, WI

Summary:

The Town of La Pointe, WI, is requesting proposals to install 38 kW DC of solar photovoltale plus a 30kW/60kWh battery storage system, at its Emergency Services Building (ESB) at 320 Big Bay Road (on Madeline Island).

Timeline:

The anticipated schedule for this request:

• RFP published:

Wednesday Nov. 15, 2023

initial deadline for responses:

Monday Jan. 8, 2024, 4:00 p.m. Central Time

Town Board opens responses:

: Tuesday Jan. 9, 2024, 4:45 p.m. Central Time

Responses will be reviewed by staff and by the Town's Energy Committee, which will make a recommendation to the Town Board. The Town Board reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

Response requirements

Responses should be delivered by the Jan. 8 deadline to:

Town of La Pointe PO Box 270 240 Big Ray Road La Pointe, WI 54850

Responses will be accepted at the above address between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Central Time, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays observed by the Town. Developers should be aware that delivery to the Island may be affected by ferry schedules and other conditions beyond the Town's control.

Responses can also be submitted in PDF format by email to: clerk@townoflapointewi.gov. (Please copy Bill Bailey at billebailey2@gmail.com.)

Project Description:

The solar modules will be ground-mounted and grid-tied to Xcel Energy. The solar modules must be bifacial, ground-mounted and adjustable to at least a 35- to 40-degree tilt angle. The lower edge of the modules must have a ground clearance of 4 feet to accommodate snow shedding. The modules must be Tier 1 and on the

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<u>California Energy Commission Solar Equipment List</u>. The modules must also comply with EIGP Buy American requirements. The selected modules must have a total capacity near 38kW, but not over 39kW.

The solar system design must use a Sol-Ark 30k-3P-208V Hybrid Inverter (see Appendix C). The Emergency Services Building is 3-phase 208 volts with 400-amp service.

The system must include a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) that is compatible with the Sol-Ark Inverter, be 30kW, and a 2-hour battery of at least 60 kWh. Sol-Ark lists several suppliers that produce compatible batteries; it will produce its own battery in coming months. The BESS and Sol-Ark Inverter will be placed inside the ESB, as determined from the Floor Plan in Appendix A.

The Sol-Ark Hybrid Inverter will also integrate with the existing General backup propane generator; tie-in should be included in your bid.

A site plan is included in Appendix B, which shows the proposed location of the solar array.

The project is contingent upon the Town receiving an award through the 2023 round of the state's Energy Innovation Grant Program (EIGP). The Town intends to submit an application in early 2024, with awards announced in spring 2024. This RFP will assist with firm cost estimates for the grant application and in selecting a contractor once a grant is awarded. It is anticipated that contracts with the selected contractor would be signed in May 2024. EIGP details are expected to be released on November 30, 2023; updated information can be found at the <u>Wisconsin Public Service Commission website</u>.

To schedule a site visit or request more information to complete this RFP, please email Ray Hakola, facilities manager for the Town of La Pointe; <u>facilities@townorlapointewl.gov</u>. The Town is receiving technical support from Bill Bailey of Cheq Bay Renewables; he can be reached at <u>billebailey (Pgmail.com</u> or 715-209-2218.

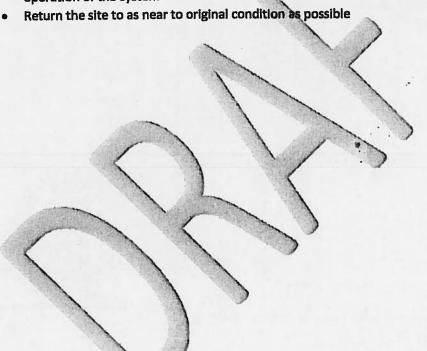
The EIGP includes Buy American and Davis Bacon (Federal Prevailing Wage) provisions. Documentation of the Buy American requirement comes from the manufacturer. Sol-Ark is Buy American compliant and can provide the necessary documentation. The selected BESS, soler modules, and racking also must comply; it will be the responsibility of the successful bidder to supply documentation from their suppliers. Further information about these requirements can be found on the Wisconsin Office of Energy Innovation website.

Please provide the following in your proposal:

- 1. Engineering design and quote for 38kW DC bifacial, ground-mount solar system including Sol-Ark 30kW-3P-208 Hybrid Inverter, compatible 30kW 2-hour BESS, and integration of existing backup generator.
- 2. Specifications and warranty information on equipment, including BESS, solar modules and racking system.
- 3. Your workmanship warranty (minimum 2 years; 5 years preferred).
- 4. Cost of Xcel interconnection fees, state inspection, and any required permits.
- 5. Your preferred terms of payment.
- 6. Estimated timeline, with construction starting after an EIGP signed contract (which is anticipated in fall 2024) and completion no later than October 2025.
- 7. Your price protection strategy (signed contracts will be approximately 6 months out; implementation will begin a minimum of 9 months out). Options might include a contingency line item, negotiation of cost adjustments during the contract phase, or written supplier guarantees.
- 8. At least three references (with contact information) from previous, similar-sized projects.

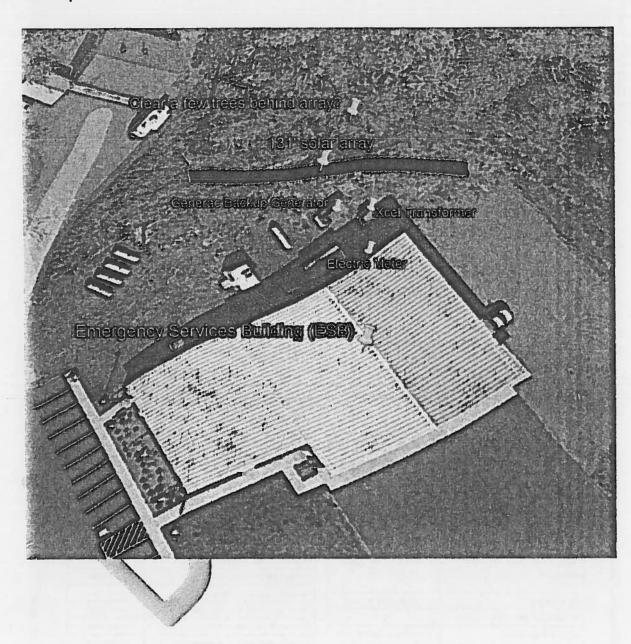
Other requirements:

- A certificate of insurance will be required from the successful bidder, with the Town of La Pointe named as an additional insured.
- The PV + BESS system must meet or exceed all relevant building, electrical and fire codes.
- The successful bidder must be a Wisconsin Focus on Energy Trade Ally and fulfill Focus on Energy requirements so the Town of La Pointe can seek funding through the prescriptive incentive program.
- Successful bidder will need to complete and submit the interconnection application with Xcel Energy
 and:
 - Coordinate with Town of La Pointe staff or other project team members when completing the interconnection application forms
 - Be available to answer questions, provide additional information, and successfully work with Xcel Energy
 - Attend Xcel's interconnection testing and/or commissioning of the system if requested
 - Provide other standard procedures as needed for successful installation, commissioning, and operation of the system



Appendicies: A: Floor Plan

B. Site Map





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2024 Town Board Budget Condensed Summary Report TO

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TOWN OF LA POINTE REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING October 24th, 2023 5:00 PM AT TOWN HALL Revised Draft 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, Town Clerk Alex Smith **Public Present:** Tori Moore, John Carlson, Paul Brummer, Nancy (Tori's sister)

Call to Order: 5:00pm

I. Public Comment A*: John Carlson said he has not gotten a satisfactory response to a question he raised in public comment in July, regarding a statement by the town administrator about short-term rentals. Paul Brummer requested a change in the draft minutes from October 10, 2023, to add that he also opposes mixed-use zoning along Middle Road.

II. Administrative Reports

A. Town Administrator's Report: Report prepared and presented by Michael Kuchta, placed on file by unanimous consent.

III. Public Works

- A. Roads, Dock, Harbor
 - a. LRIP: Motion to authorize a grant application under LRIP to repair Mondamin Rd, S. Brenna/S. Dobson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
 - b. Post for Non-CDL Temp Driver: Motion to approve at a wage of \$18/hr, M. Anderson/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried
 - c. Request wage increase for Non-CDL Temp Drivers

B. Parks

- a. MOU with Madeline Island Dog and Social Playground for dog park: Motion to adopt, S. Brenna/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- b. Amendment of Ordinance #192: Motion to permit off-lease dogs in the dog park, M. Anderson/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

IV. Committees

- A. Planning and Zoning
 - a. Fire Number Sign Bid Selection: Motion to approve Lange Enterprise's bid of 29,600, M. Anderson/S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried
 - b. Fire Number Sign Installation: Motion to approve request for bids, A. Baxter/S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- B. Committee Minutes: Discussed. No motion needed.
- C. Affordable Housing Advisory Committee
- a. Charter for Affordable Housing Advisory Committee: Motion to reaffirm the committee's existing charter, S. Brenna/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried

b. Resignations from Affordable Housing Advisory Committee: Motion to approve the resignations of Robert Kramer, Gwen Smith Patterson, Rachel Rosen, Cedar Schimke, and Lauren Schuppe, S. Brenna/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

D. Winter Transportation

- a. 2023-2024 Cooperative Agreement between Town of La Pointe & Town of La Pointe Harbor Commission: Motion to postpone, M. Anderson/S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- b. 2023-2024 Cooperative Agreement between Town of La Pointe & School District of Bayfield: Motion to approve, M. Anderson/S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

V. Town Hall Administration

A. Budget Summary Report: Motion to accept the reports, M. Anderson/S. Dobson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried

B. Draft legislation ret Town Clerk and Treasurer appointments: Motion to approve chair to encourage our elected officials to support a proposal change in state statue, M. Andrson/S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried

VI. Vouchers: Motion to approve the youchers in the amount of \$16,748.52, M. Anderson/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VII. A ternative Claims: Motion to approve the alternative claims for September in the amount of \$148,310.87, M. Anderson/A. Balter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VIII. Treasurer's Report: Motion to approve the report with a total of \$2,171,044.77, A. Baxter/S. Dobson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

IX. Minutes

- A. Regular Town Board Meeting October 10th
- B. Special Town Board Meeting October 18th
- C. Special Town Board Meeting October 19th

Motion to approve all minutes with the change on October 10th, S. Brenna/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

X. Emergency Services: Nothing to report at this time.

XI. Public Comment B** None.

XII. Liquor & Operators' Licenses

A. Change in Liquor License Agent at The Pub on Madeline Island: Motion to approve Itso Kopanarov as the new agent, A. Baxter/S. Dobson, 5 Ayes Motion Carried.

Motion to go into closed session, S. Brenna/A. Baxter, Roll Call 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. 5:32pm

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 to 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.

- A. Petition with the Wisconsin Department of Revenue Regarding Ashland County
- B. Claim against Ashland County pursuant to WI Statute 893.80(1d)(a)

C. Possible Lawsuit Against Ashland County

Motion to return to open session, M. Anderson/S. Dobson, 5 Ayes Motion Carried. 5:37pm XIV. New Agenda Items for Future Meetings

Change Regular Town Board Meetings to 4:45pm.

2023-2023 Cooperative Agreement between Town of La Pointe and La Pointe Harbor Commission.

XV. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn, M. Anderson/S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. 5:42pm

Submitted by Town Clerk, Alex Smith.



Town of La Pointe Special Town Board Meeting 2024 Budget Workshop Wednesday, October 25, 2023 4:45 pm at the Town Hall

Revised Draft 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, Town Clerk Alex Smith, Zoning

Administrator Ed Schaffer

Public Present: Madeline Rupp, Mary Atmore, Katie Sanders, Molly Sullivan

- 1. Call to order: 4:45pm
- 2. Public Comment A: None.
- 3. Budget Workshop with each of the following departments:
 - A. Clinic: Budget request for 2024 prepared and discussed by Molly Sullivan. The clinic has requested \$24,000. Glenn Carlson thanked the clinic for their excellent work and dedication.
 - B. Committees:

Affordable Housing Advisory Committee: The committee has not requested a new budget allocation for 2024.

Community Awards Committee: The committee has not requested a new budget allocation for 2024. They plan to maintain what is left in their designated fund and have it roll over into 2024.

Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee: The committee has requested \$10,000 for the 2024 budget. The committee's charter has expired and is no longer in existence. Remaining funds will be needed to pay for maps and print plans, etc. Any remaining funds will roll over into the Island Roundtable initiative and other implementation of the Comprehensive Plan. They anticipate the availability of \$10,000 in grant funding.

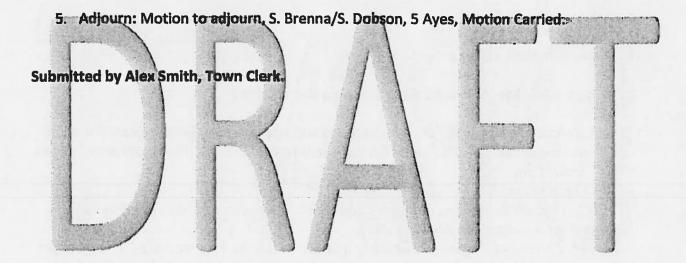
Energy Committee: The committee is exploring the same state energy innovation grant applied for in the previous year to build out a microgrid to utilize solar power generated buildings. They have a meeting on Nov 6th and will know more by then. The request for \$60,000 for the 2024 budget would essentially be the gap that the grant doesn't cover.

Public Arts Committee: The committee has requested \$4,000 for the 2024 budget. The committee has planned to focus on deepening civic engagement by developing a unique social media platform for the public, a sidewalk chalk event, and a future winter festival. The committee has been in early discussions

towards a plan to incorporate 7 old ferry boat propellers into sculptural form in Russell Park. They are still in the early stages and have a lot more to discuss. Winter Transportation Committee: The committee has requested \$10,000 for the 2024 budget.

Town Plan Commission/ Zoning: The 2024 budget requests are similar to the past to cover the Zoning Administrator and zoning expenses.

- C. General Government: The 2024 budget requests prepared and presented by Michael Kuchta. The Town will continue to manage a transition period with new staffing, job structures, and new responsibilities. With the anticipation of purchasing the ferry line, the Town will need to be prepared to operate this service directly.
- 4. Public Comment B: None



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Town of La Pointe Special Town Board Meeting 2024 Budget Workshop Thursday, October 26, 2023 4:45 pm at the Town Hall Draft 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, Town Clerk Alex Smith, Public Works

Director Ben Schram Public Present: None

1. Call to order: 4:45pm

2. Public Comment A: None.

3. Budget Workshop

A. 2024 Fee Schedule: The Town Board discussed changing the date of the annual rental permit date from May to June. They also discussed the logistics of the campground cancellation penalty; the amount of time the cancellation is given and what the penalty would be.

B. 2024 Budget Follow up from previous workshops: The Town Board went through each of the departments and discussed which parts of each budget are a necessity and what can be done to slim down the overall 2024 budget. Some thoughts were to defer bulk storage of gravel for the Roads Department, possibly wait on the ADA doors at the library, and deciding if 24/5 or 24/7 coverage for the Police Department is appropriate. The discussion of the departments will continue in the second round of budgets workshops.

- 4. Change time of Regular Town Board Meetings to 4:45pm: Motion to change the time of Regular Town Board meetings, M. Anderson/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- 5. Public Comment B: None
- 6. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn, S. Brenna/S. Dobson, Motion Carried. 6:27pm

TOWN OF LA POINTE Board of Harbor Commissioners THURSDAY October 26th, 2023 9:00 a.m. at Town Hall and via Zoom

Approved Minutes

Commissioners Present: Mike Anderson, Michael Collins, Zach Montagne, Evan Erickson Jr., Pete Ross, Michael Childers. Carol Neubauer

Staff Present: Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary; Michael Kuchta, Town

Administrator, Glenn Carlson, Town Chair

Public Present: Gary Russell, Madeline Island Ferry Line (MIFL), Robin Trinko Russell (MIFL), Steve Bers (MIFL Lawyer)

- 1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 9:00am by M. Childers.
- 2. Roll Call: Members, staff, and public present as listed above.
- 3. Public Comment: None.
- 4. Minutes 10/19/23: Motion by M. Anderson to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by M. Collins, no discussion, all in favor, Motion Carried.
- 5. Committees Updates:
 - a. President: M. Childers has sent Tim Feldhausen (Harbor Commission lawyer) some errors on the management agreement and asked for clarification on employee transitions from MIFL ownership to Harbor Commission/Town. He also sent Robert Burns (Harbor Commission lawyer) a question about the possibility of private investors, as there is question of the legality due to Wisconsin state statute.
 - b. Communications: None.
 - c. Operating Agreement: None.
 - d. Purchase Agreement: None.
 - e. Other: None.
- 6. Offers of Assistance: Discussion on the documents that will be available to the public of the real estate and vessel appraisals the Harbor Commission had done by professional appraisers. L. Burtaux is working with M. Childers and C. Neubauer to finalize.
- 7. Approval of Bills: Bill from Amundsen Davis for \$118.00 for September lawyer fees. Motion by M. Anderson to paying the bill in the amount of \$118.00, seconded by Z. Montagne, all in favor. Motion Carried.
- 8. Future Agenda Items: Nothing specific.
- 9. Meeting Dates: Thursday, November 2nd, at 9am.

10. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn meeting by M. Collins, seconded by E. Erickson, all in favor, meeting adjourned at 9:10am.

Respectfully submitted by Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary. Minutes approved as presented on Thursday, November 2, 2023, L. Burtaux.

TOWN OF LA POINTE Board of Harbor Commissioners THURSDAY November 2nd, 2023 9:00 a.m. at Town Hall and via Zoom Approved Minutes

Commissioners Present: Mike Anderson, Michael Collins, Evan Erickson Jr., Pete Ross,

Michael Childers, Carol Neubauer

Commissioners Absent: Zach Montagne

Staff Present: Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary; Michael Kuchta, Town Administrator

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 9:00am by M. Childers.

- 2. Roll Call: Members and staff present as listed above.
- 3. Public Comment: None.
- 4. Minutes 10/26/23: Motion by M. Anderson to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by M. Collins, no discussion, all in favor, Motion Carried.
- 5. Committees Updates:
 - a. President: M. Childers reminds the commissioners that negotiations are still underway and that any information regarding the negotiations remains confidential under non-disclosure agreements.
 - b. Communications: None.
 - c. Operating Agreement: Motion by M. Collins to go into closed session to discuss operating agreement and financing, seconded by E. Erickson, roll call vote, 6 ayes, all in favor and in closed session at 9:02am.
 - i. Motion by M. Anderson to move back to open session, seconded by M. Collins, 6 ayes, motion carried and out of closed session at 9:35am.
 - d. Purchase Agreement: None.
 - e. Other: Discussion of how to solicit questions for a Q/A public hearing and how to develop answers that are consistent. L. Burtaux will post notices to invite the public to submit questions to the suggestions box at Town Hall, to the Harbor Commission secretary email, and to the Harbor Commission PO Box. The notice will be posted around town and on the Town's website. M. Childers will post the link to the community Facebook page.
- 6. Offers of Assistance: None.
- 7. Approval of Bills: None.
- 8. Future Agenda Items: Go through questions that have been submitted and form cohesive answers.
- 9. Meeting Dates: Thursday, November 9th, at 9am.

10. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn meeting by E. Erickson, seconded by M. Anderson, all in favor, meeting adjourned at 9:43am.

Respectfully submitted by Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary.

Minutes approved as presented on Thursday, November 9, 2023, L. Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary.

(5) TB, TA, AA, Clerk, Public

Town of La Pointe Energy Committee Monday October 9, 2023 9 am at Town Hall/Zoom Minutes

Members present: Zach Montagne, Scott Hayman, Robin Trinko-Russell, Lilah Guertin

Members absent: Tom Kromroy and Craig Buttke
Staff present: Michael Kuchta, Town Administrator
Public present: Bill Bailey, Cheq Bay Renewables

1. Call to order/Roll Call

The Energy Committee meeting was called to order by Michael Kuchta.

2. Public Comment

Zach thanked Larry Bean for starting the Energy Committee and years of leadership and hard work, reiterated by Robin.

3. Select Chair

Motion by Zach to nominate Lilah Guertin as Chair, seconded by Robin, all ayes. Motion Carried.

4. Minutes of the following meetings to be considered for approval:

A. June 28, 2023

B. July 10, 2023

Motion by Zach to approve the above minutes as presented, seconded by Robin, all ayes. Motion Carried.

5. Energy Innovation Grant Program (EIGP) funding discussion

- Bill stated that he heard thru the grapevine there will be an EIGP grant in 2023 although no details have been released.
- Bill asked Michael K to look over his debrief notes from the 2022 grant application (which was not awarded) to see where things could be changed to better our chances. Bill will ask muGrid and Xcel Energy to send updated costs for the downtown micro grid project. He also asked the committee to think about who they would like to lead the program (muGrid or Xcel).
- Bill noted that Xcel has proposed a new monthly fee of \$80 for the Resiliency Services Tariff (RS-1) if assets like solar and the battery are not owned by Xcel. This \$80 monthly fee is a new line item which would apply to the Town and be a decrease from the \$450 monthly fee that is currently in the tariff.

6. 2024 budget request to the Town Board

Bill noted the 2022 grant had a \$58,000 match from the town.

Motion by Robin to request the Town budget a \$60,000 grant match for a 2024 EIGP micro grid application, seconded by Scott, all ayes. Motion Carried.

- 7. Set next meeting and agenda
 Next meeting will be Mon. 11/6/23 at 9am.
- 8. Adjourn.

 Motion by Lilah to adjourn, seconded by Robin, all ayes. Motion Carried.

Minutes taken from recording and submitted by Dorgene Goetsch, Clerical Assistant. Minutes approved as presented 11/6/23. D. Goetsch, Clerical Assistant

TOWN OF LA POINTE Board of Harbor Commissioners THURSDAY October 19th, 2023 9:00 a.m. at Town Hall and via Zoom Approved Minutes

Commissioners Present: Mike Anderson, Michael Collins, Zach Montagne, Evan Erickson Jr.,

Pete Ross, Michael Childers

Commissioners Absent: Carol Neubauer

Staff Present: Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary; Michael Kuchta, Town Administrator

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 9:00am by M. Childers.

- 2. Roll Call: Members present as listed above.
- 3. Public Comment: None.
- 4. Minutes 10/12/23: Motion by M. Anderson to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by M. Collins, no discussion, all in favor, Motion Carried.
- 5. 2024 Budget P. Ross and M. Collins attended the budget workshop with the Town Board on 10/18/23. M. Kuchta added an approximate revenue of \$100,000 from the Ferry Boat Program. Additionally, M. Kuchta and P. Ross adjusted more accurately the secretary's payroll expenses, and included the potential for a second employee, as needed. Estimated costs for audit included as well. Insurance numbers need to be refined.
- 6. Public Question and Answer Discussion: There is confusion within the public around the intentions of the public question and answer session. The plan for the public Q/A is to address all aspects of the proposition and how the sale will be financed. This will allow for the public to understand and make clear what the Harbor Commission is intending. There will be no action taken at this event. There will be a second meeting where the Harbor Commission will ask for action from the public.
- 7. Committees Updates:
 - a. President: M. Childers will be in touch with C. Neubauer on updates regarding the financing elements. Tim Feldhausen, Harbor Commission lawyer from Amundsen Davis, has been contacted regarding the concerns raised by M. Kuchta about aspects of the management agreement, and to see where the purchase of real estate and property agreement stands.
 - b. Communications: None.
 - c. Operating Agreement: None.
 - d. Purchase Agreement: None.
 - e. Other: None.

- 8. Offers of Assistance: None.
- 9. Approval of Bills: None.
- 10. Approval of Contract from Department of Administration for Reimbursements of Start Up Costs: The DOA has sent M. Childers the final draft of the grant agreement and it has been forwarded to the Harbor Commission for review. M. Childers asks the Harbor Commission's consideration for approval of signature. Motion by P. Ross for M. Childers to sign the agreement, seconded by M. Collins, 6 ayes, no discussion, Motion Carried.
- 11. Future Agenda Items: Compilation of potential questions for Q/A.
- 12. Meeting Dates: Thursday, October 26th, at 9am.
- 13. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn meeting by M. Anderson, seconded by E. Erickson, all in favor, meeting adjourned at 9:23am.

Respectfully submitted by Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary.

Minutes approved as presented on Thursday, October 26, 2023, L. Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary.