

TOWN OF ROSE – TOWN BOARD MEETING

April 16, 2024

Meeting was brought to order by Chair VandeCastle at 7:08pm.

Members Present: Chair VandeCastle, Supervisors Perez and Cutts, Clerk VandeCastle, and Treasurer Gotthart.

Others Present: Mark and Dawn Kalata, Mike Urban, Beth Cutts, and Brian Studinski

Motion was made by Supv. Perez, seconded by Supv. Cutts, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Minutes of the 3/11/24 meeting were read by all. Motion was made by Supv. Perez, seconded by Supv. Cutts, to accept the minutes of the 3/11/24 meeting with one correction: The agenda for "April" was discussed, not "March." Motion carried.

The Treasurer Report was read and discussed by all. Motion was made by Supv. Cutts, seconded by Supv. Perez, to accept the Treasurer Report and pay the bills as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT: Mike Urban mentioned that Karl Atkinson from the Highway Department sign room suggested that the Town of Rose move towards flag type fire signs.

OLD BUSINESS: Supv. Perez had to move a lot of gravel away from the Bohemian Cemetery that the plow had pushed there. A lot of trees were down in the roads from the last heavy snow storm. Mike and Terry Urban are working on getting the trees cleaned up. The gravel that was moved by the plow on Alp will be cleaned up by the Highway Department per George Nigh. Supv. Perez and Mike Urban drove around with Chris from Crackfilling Service to locate roads that need crackfilling done. The budget for crackfilling is \$12,500. 14th Ave. south of Cty. P and part of 17th Dr. will be done in May. Archer needs to be repaired by Kalata's. Tom Scholler called to report some road damage to Akron Dr. east of Cty. AA. Mike Urban took about 15 solid tires to the Rod & Gun Club. He will take about 20 tires to the Highway Department to dispose of. Mike will take care of the low-lying limbs by Skibba's. 14th will be paved this summer. Then Akron will be pulverized.

Supv. Cutts listened to a lot of videos regarding the wind tower project to determine what their plan is. Supv. Cutts suggests going to everyone in the Town of Rose and give them all the information so they can make an informed decision. The DNR should be contacted since the wind towers will affect the wildlife. Some townships have passed an ordinance (25 pages +) that the wind tower companies must abide by. The Board discussed ways to contact everyone in the township: article in the newspaper announcing a meeting, handing out a flyer at the election, word of mouth, and handing the towns people a facts sheet when talking with them. Clerk VandeCastle will gather costs for sending out a postcard to all landowners. Treasurer Gotthart will find a way to get a list of landowners. Supv. Cutts, Beth Cutts and Dawn Kalata will work together on the facts sheet. Bacon's and Flyte's have sold some farm land to the solar project.

Supv. Cutts will fill out the necessary paperwork that is due in December for the one qualifying culvert in the township.

NEW BUSINESS: Scott Pudil from the Wild Rose Area Fire District spoke of the resolution to participate in the Wisconsin Service Award Program at the March meeting. Supv. Perez made the motion, seconded by Supv. Cutts, to approve the resolution to participate in the Wisconsin Service Award Program. Motion carried.

The policy to establish procedures and criteria for allowing alternative forms of sworn testimony at Board of Review hearings is standard language from the Board of Review handbook. This policy would give the Board of Review the ability to give the option to landowners if necessary. Supv. Cutts made the motion, seconded by Supv. Perez, to approve the policy to establish procedures and criteria for allowing alternative forms of sworn testimony at Board of Review hearings. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the fee schedule and the utility permit for the Town of Rose. Chair VandeCastle made the motion, seconded by Supv. Cutts, to approve the fee schedule and utility permit. Motion Carried.

Treasurer Gotthart discussed the options for refunding tax overpayments. The Town of Rose currently does not send a refund that is less than \$5.00 unless requested. The County does not send a refund that is less than \$10.00. Supv. Cutts made the motion, seconded by Supv. Perez, to adopt the resolution to not send refunds of \$10.00 or less unless requested in writing. Motion carried.

Treasurer Gotthart informed the Board that the County is going to use ARPA funding to purchase a new tax software system. The current software is not supported anymore. The County will now be able to collect the money and distribute the dog licenses if the Town wishes. The Town would have to pay an additional \$250 if the town would collect the dog licenses. The Board will discuss this further at the next meeting.

Chair VandeCastle reported on the following:

- Building Permit: Michael Laufenberg – Section 32 – Detached Garage
- Zoning letter – Amending County Codes – must go to County Board for final approval.
- Ad for Ripon Truck and Repair Equipment
- Current map of future solar in Waushara County

Clerk VandeCastle reported on the following:

- Accurate Appraisal newsletter – What happens at Open Book

Clerk VandeCastle will be attending a training for filing the annual financial Form CT. The cost is \$20. Supv. Cutts made the motion, seconded by Supv. Perez, to approve the training for Clerk VandeCastle. Motion carried.

The agenda for May was discussed. The next meeting will be Monday, May 13, 2024 – Board of Review adjourn to a later date followed by the regular Board meeting.

Supv. Perez made the motion, seconded by Supv. Cutts, to adjourn the meeting at 8:58pm. Motion carried.

The foregoing is an unapproved draft version of these minutes. Therefore, they are subject to amendment or change at subsequent meetings of this Board. Any such changes will be detailed in the minutes of the meeting at which the amendments are proposed.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy VandeCastle
Town of Rose Clerk