

## TOWN OF ROSE – TOWN BOARD MEETING

February 10, 2025

Meeting was brought to order by Chair VandeCastle at 7:01pm.

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

Others Present: Mark Kalata, Jeff Kratochwill, Sharon Atkinson and Mike Urban.

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

Minutes of the 1/13/25 regular board meeting and caucus were read by all. Motion was made by Supv. Perez, seconded by Supv. Cutts, to accept the minutes of the 1/13/25 meetings as presented. Motion carried.

The Treasurer Report was read and discussed by all. Treasurer Gotthart gave an update on tax collections. Total taxes collected as of 1/31/25: \$1,234,644.61. Dog tax collected: \$300.00. 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: None

OLD BUSINESS: Mike purchased a wood chipper for his personal use. He can rent it to the township to take care of some of the brush along roadways. Only a couple of small trees fell in the last wind storm. The Board discussed when the County should go out to plow the town roads. The new Highway Commissioner has resigned. The Board agreed to let the County superintendents, George and Jayson, send the plow truck out at their discretion as was done prior to the latest commissioner.

Supv. Cutts was in contact with Amherst Telephone regarding fiber installation in the township. They recommended that town residents contact Amherst Telephone directly to get answers to their questions: 715-824-5529.

NEW BUSINESS: The Board reviewed the current sign at the Town Forest. The sign reads that violators will be prosecuted. The Board discussed the prosecution amount. Each gate to the Town Forest has "No ATV/UTV" signs. A suggestion was made to charge for Town Forest usage permits to purchase cameras. Mike gave the Board the background on the Town Forest. Supv. Cutts made the motion, seconded by Supv. Perez, to create an ordinance to put a fine of \$2,500 for violation of Town of Rose Forest rules and regulations. Motion carried. Mike will sign the Forest and speak with the Wild Rose School about signing on 14<sup>th</sup> Road at the School Forest boundary. Mike noted that Roy Mitchell has been taking Vets into the Town Forest on ATV to hunt turkeys. Mike will speak with Roy and report back

at the March Board meeting. A suggestion was made to have a special use permit for the Town Forest that would have to come before the Board.

Chair VandeCastle reported on the following:

- Letter from Public Service Commission regarding rebuilding transmission lines
- Adams-Columbia Electric utility permit letter: option to sign one blanket permit for the year or apply one permit at a time. The Board chose to approve each permit as they arise. Clerk VandeCastle will mail.
- Cutting notices:
  - Patrick & Carol Healy Joint Trust: Section 15, logs and pulp
  - Michael & Laura Mushinski: Sections 22 & 23, logs and pulp
  - Gregory Ninneman: Section 32, logs and pulp
- Land Use permit: Camp Moshava – construction of home for director
- Letter from Zoning: Hugh Dalton – living in trailer, rescinding conditional use permit
- Comprehensive Land Use Planning: as discussed at the WTA meeting at Silvercryst. Tim Borud from the County can assist. The Board will begin to go through the current Plan to discuss any changes that need to be made.

Clerk VandeCastle reported on the following:

- Wisconsin Elections Commission: Clerk Training 9/30/25-10/1/25. Clerk VandeCastle would like to attend one day. Board agreed it would be beneficial.
- WTA Spring Road School 2025: 4/21/25 – 4/23/25 at Chula Vista in Wisconsin Dells
- Strategic Planning survey for the County. The Board will fill out the Survey

Chair VandeCastle, Clerk VandeCastle, and Supv.'s Perez and Cutts attended the WTA unit meeting at Silvercryst. The new County Administrator, Megan Kapp spoke. Tim Borud also spoke about Comprehensive Planning. Chair VandeCastle will be attending the Zoning meeting on 2/19/25.

The agenda for March was discussed. The next meeting will be Monday, March 10, 2025.

Supv. Cutts made the motion, seconded by Supv. Perez, to adjourn the meeting at 8:38pm. Motion carried.

The foregoing is an unapproved draft version of these minutes. Therefore, they are subject to amendments or changes 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