

## TOWN OF ROSE – TOWN BOARD MEETING

August 12, 2024

Meeting was brought to order by Chair VandeCastle at 7:00pm.

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

Others Present: Mike Urban, Mark Kalata

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

Minutes of the 7/8/24 regular board meeting were read by all. Motion was made by Supv. Perez, seconded by Supv. Cutts, to accept the minutes of the 7/8/24 meeting as presented. 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: Mark Kalata suggested that some brushing be done along the roads in the town since there has been a lot of growth from all the rain. Chair VandeCastle stated that the Board of Review minutes will be reviewed at the September meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: Rob Eggers contacted Supv. Cutts and said his road hadn't been mowed yet. Clerk VandeCastle said there was a new person mowing and probably didn't know there were town roads on the east side of Highway 22. Clerk VandeCastle will have someone go out to mow Badger and 18<sup>th</sup>. Mike checked on the low branches on Badger, and he said they are fine, not very low at all. Mike filled in some more potholes. The end of Akron Lane is broken up and needs some repair. The Board discussed possibly turning that road into gravel or wedge patching the bad part. Grading on Twin Lakes Rd. should be done soon, along with 14<sup>th</sup> by Kalata's. The Board discussed using the rest of the highway budget, \$23,899.52 on road maintenance. Supv. Cutts made the motion, seconded by Supv. Perez, to wedge pave spots on Akron Lane and Alp west of Hwy. 22 and grade gravel roads (14<sup>th</sup> Ave. and Twin Lakes) staying under \$23,899.52. Motion carried. Mike stated there is one bad spot on Akron just west of the Town Forest entrance, but it should be fine until that road is pulverized next year.

Nothing new to discuss regarding the wind tower project. Alliant said it is on hold indefinitely.

Supv. Cutts took the very heavy fire proof file out of Mary Williams' basement. It was unlocked; only a few old files and old bank statements were in there. Supv. Cutts made the motion, seconded by Supv. Perez, to dispose of the fire proof file after removing all old paperwork. Motion carried.

Supv. Cutts and Treasurer Gotthart signed for the CD at Portage County Bank. The maturity date of the CD is September 13, 2025. The Board will decide what to do with it next year.

The minimum quantity of fire signs to order is 100 to get the discounted price. The Board discussed the importance of replacing the fire signs throughout the township, and if the price of the sign should be added to the tax bills. The Board decided to add it in the budget to see if the Town can afford it next year, 531 signs.

NEW BUSINESS: The landowner of the property at 14<sup>th</sup> and Alp wants to divide it into 5 separate plots. Supv. Perez made the motion, seconded by Supv. Cutts, to approve the survey request. Motion carried.

Accurate Appraisal ran a report to determine if any other properties were assessed with 2 wells and septic by mistake. The report showed that 9 total properties were inadvertently assessed with 2 wells and septic, and all 9

were taken care of during Open Book. Supv. Cutts made the motion, seconded by Supv. Perez, to go with Accurate Appraisal contract for the 5-year blend for a total of \$69,000 or \$13,800 per year. Motion carried.

Jim Lysaght asked the Board to look into going away from County Zoning. The Board discussed all the extra work the town would have to do to do its own zoning, and the town does not have that kind of manpower. The Board agreed that the County Zoning permits are too high priced. Chair VandeCastle and Supv. Cutts will look into it and get more information.

Chair VandeCastle reported on the following:

- Letter from Representative Kevin Peterson: Receives Friend of Towns Award
- Zoning Letters
  - Kris & Kim Kaszuba: Travel trailer conditional use permit – Section 11
  - Jeffrey & Tammy Murphy: New travel trailer – Section 12
  - John Hacker: Travel trailer annual fee – Section 33
  - Wanda Nechkash: Travel trailer on property – Telemark Trl.
  - Lynn Surita: Mobile home remodel – 15<sup>th</sup> Ct.
  - Timothy Kowalewski: Failing wastewater treatment system: Apache Rd.
  - Hugh Dalton: Living in travel trailer: Section 32
- Land Use Permits
  - Jerome Hempt II: Rase existing home and build new home: Section 16
  - John Hacker: 3-Bedroom manufactured home: Section 33
  - Isaiah Eastling: Detached garage: Section 21
  - Jim Bob and Ma’s Little Acres LLC: Pole building: Section 33
  - Charles Jones: Amended changing size: Section 20
  - Kim and Mary Benson: After the fact conversion of accessory structure to home: Section 4
  - James and Debra Bargenquast: Detached garage: Section 24
  - Jim Bob and Ma’s Little Acres LLC: Hoop building for storage: Section 33

Clerk VandeCastle reported on the following:

- Alliant Energy: Pipeline safety resources
- Fall Wisconsin Towns Association Workshop schedule
- Wild Rose Printing: out of business. All printing will be done at the Argus
- Misc. office furniture available at the old Courthouse. There will be a tag sale in the near future.
- Preliminary estimate of 1/1/24 Town of Rose population: 682
- Rural Mutal postcard: Time for annual review. Clerk VandeCastle will invite them to the September meeting

Supv. Perez attended a Fire District meeting. Communication equipment installed in some trucks.

Treasurer Gotthart mentioned that the County closed the PO Box before all the taxes were delivered causing some issues.

The agenda for September was discussed. The next meeting will be Monday, September 9, 2024.

Supv. Cutts made the motion, seconded by Supv. Perez, to adjourn the meeting at 9:40pm. 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