

## TOWN OF ROSE – REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

March 14, 2022

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

Members Present: Chair Apps, Supervisors Perez and Cutts, Clerk VandeCastle and Treasurer Roger Williams.

Others Present: Mike Urban, Rick Letto – Amherst Communications

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

Minutes of the 2/14/22 meeting were read by all. Motion was made by Supv. Cutts, seconded by Supv. Perez, to accept the minutes of the 2/14/22 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: None.

OLD BUSINESS: Mike reported more vandalism: Twin Lakes Ct. sign is gone and 13<sup>th</sup> Ave. and Cty. Rd. P signs and steel posts are gone. Supv. Cutts wrote up a notice to put in the newspaper to alert residents of the problem. The Town of Plainfield has a vandalism problem, too. The muskrat problem area was checked: water is flowing, and everything is holding up so far, but there are some cracks in the road. Chair Apps spoke with Shawn at the DNR regarding the muskrat problem. Shawn said he would look at it and let us know what he thinks about it. The DNR owns both sides of the ditch. Mike noted that there are several trees hanging over the road that may need to come down before they fall on the road. Bob Mushinski and Chair Apps went into the Town Forest with Paul Sczeblewski to talk about clearing the fire lanes. There is nothing new with the restoration project. The Board discussed ordering 20 – 18” signs from the Highway Department along with the brackets. Sign posts will be purchased as needed. Supv. Perez made the motion, seconded by Supv. Cutts, to order 20 – 18” signs and brackets from the Highway Department, sign posts will be picked up as needed. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Chair Apps attended a fire district meeting. He distributed minutes from the January meeting. The department is looking to purchase a different vehicle. They are looking at a used pumper truck.

Rick Letto from Amherst Communications joined the meeting at 7:40pm.

Amherst Communications would like to partner with the Town of Rose to apply for a broadband grant. The application will be submitted on March 17<sup>th</sup>. There is lots of funding available. The proposed agreement is for the Town of Rose and Amherst Communications to work together to install fiber optic

broadband. The Town of Rose would agree to in-kind work: waiving any permit fees, giving permission to work on right-of-way, give administrative support when needed, and speak with town residents as needed. Senator Teston, Representative Krug, and area businesses have written letters of support for the grant application. Amherst Communications is not asking for any monetary commitment from the Town of Rose. Supv. Cutts made the motion, seconded by Supv. Perez, to accept and sign the broadband agreement with Amherst Communications. Motion carried.

Rick Letto left the meeting at 8:30pm

Chair Apps reported on the following:

- Survey from Waushara County Emergency Management – Preparedness questionnaire – Chair Apps filled out the paperwork and Clerk VandeCastle will submit

Clerk VandeCastle reported on the following:

- Wisconsin Asphalt Pavement Association registration packet for the 2022 Asphalt Pavement Seminar
- Newsletter of the Waushara County Land Conservation Department
- Voluntary survey from the University of Wisconsin Green Bay to examine the challenges facing rural local governments
- Upcoming Local Government Education programs
- Letter from the Wautoma Public Library asking for a donation
- Letter and brochures from CAP Services for the Small Business Assistance Program
- Tactical Pipeline Response Training from Paradigm
- Yola will be increasing its annual fee for the website from \$59.45 per year to \$70.95 per year.
- Email from Heidi inquiring about ATV/UTV usage in the Town of Rose. Supv. Perez will respond.
- 2022 Open Book date: August 2<sup>nd</sup> from 2:00-4:00pm
- 2022 Board of Review date: August 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-7:00pm. The 18<sup>th</sup> will not work. Clerk VandeCastle will schedule a different date before the 18<sup>th</sup> or after the 21<sup>st</sup>.

The agenda for April was discussed. April's meeting will begin with the Annual Meeting. It will be set for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in April, April 19, 2022. Chair Apps made the motion, seconded by Supv. Cutts, to adjourn the meeting at 8:46pm. 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