

TOWN OF ROSE – REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

April 18, 2023

Meeting was brought to order by Chair M. VandeCastle at 7:20pm.

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

Others Present: Mike Urban, Duane Apps, Sheila Dassow – Waushara ATV Association, and Jeff Kratochwill

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

Minutes of the 3/13/23 meeting were read by all. Motion was made by Supv. Perez, seconded by Supv. Cutts, to accept the minutes of the 3/13/23 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: Sheila Dassow from the Waushara ATV Association addressed the Board. She discussed the advantages of having the roads within the Town of Rose open to ATV/UTV traffic. There are currently 3 townships that are closed to ATV/UTV traffic: Rose, Springwater, and Wautoma. Any ATV/UTV operator between the ages of 16-18 must take a safety course. ATV's need to be licensed, have lights and be road-ready (blinkers are optional). Supv. Cutts stated that the Town does not want to be responsible for any ATV accidents that may occur on the Town roads. The Town of Rose is concerned with the safety of everyone involved. Discussion followed. The Board would like Sheila to come back to a future meeting with more information.

Jeff Kratochwill would like the date of the next meeting be added to the minutes each month.

OLD BUSINESS: Supv. Perez distributed a map of the township highlighting the roads to be crack filled this year. The budget for crackfilling has been around \$12,000. Supv. Perez will contact Scott from Crackfilling Service. Mike Urban stated that pot holes have been filled in. There are many internet signs in the ditches of our town roads. Clerk VandeCastle will contact them to inform them to keep the signs off the right-of-way. Mike also has been finding a lot of plastic banding in the ditches from the companies installing the fiber optic. Mike will contact them to have them clean up the ditches. The stop sign by the Town Forest had been run over. Mike put it in temporary. He will call Diggers Hotline before installing the new post. Weight limits are down.

There is no update on the Town Forestry Plan.

The tree trimming is done on 17th by Bob Williams'. Some of the pine limbs on 17th are down. Mike will do more trimming next winter. He will also do more by Chain Lake next winter. Jeff Kratochwill will take care of the tree branches by his place on 17th.

NEW BUSINESS: The results of the advisory referendum at the Spring Election were: 140 votes for YES and 125 votes for NO. The majority of the voters want the Board to keep the ATV/UTV's off the town roads. It was noted that some voters may have read the referendum incorrectly and voted differently than they wanted to. Clerk VandeCastle published the referendum with explanations of what it meant to vote YES and NO. It was also posted at the election. Discussion followed.

Clerk VandeCastle would like to adopt a record retention schedule. The Wisconsin Historical Society and the Public Records Board has a General Records Schedule the Town could adopt in full or in part. The Board must first approve the General Records Schedule. After the Public Records Board approves it for the Town, the Town will need to pass an ordinance adopting the Schedule. Supv. Cutts made the motion, seconded by Supv. Perez, to approve the General Records Schedule in full. Motion carried. Clerk VandeCastle and Chairman VandeCastle will sign the Notification of General Records Schedule Adoption and send it in for the Public Records Board to approve.

Charlie Cross, a resident of the Town of Rose, contacted Clerk VandeCastle requesting a tobacco license. He will be selling cigars through a website. The Town currently has no tobacco licenses or alcohol licenses. Clerk VandeCastle contacted the Department of Revenue, and the Department believes he may not need a license to sell online only as there will be no retail shop in the Town of Rose. Clerk VandeCastle left a message for Charlie Cross and has not heard back from him.

Chair VandeCastle reported on the following:

- Letter from Highway regarding pavement markings. The Town of Rose does not do any pavement marking.
- Building permit: Thomas Behnke – Section 21 – after the fact - structure for personal storage
- Building permit: Mary Jo Bauer – Section 11 – Rebuilding a barn
- Driveway Permit – Robert Erickson: permit needs to be signed and fee of \$25 collected.

Clerk VandeCastle reported on the following:

- Waushara County Ordinance amendment prohibiting all hunting and trapping activities on all property owned by the County.
- Department of Revenue Newsletter – information on FCL and MFL programs
- DNR – Continue Managed Forest Law designation – new owners.
- Workshop – Role of the Zoning Board of Adjustment/Appeals

Supv. Perez attended a Fire District meeting. Minutes were discussed. The next Fire District meeting will be 5/10/23.

Chair VandeCastle and Supv. Perez will attend. The meetings are every other month.

The Board discussed renting vs. purchasing a blower to clean up the cemetery. Supv. Cutts made the motion, seconded by Chair VandeCastle, to allow Supv. Perez to rent a blower when needed. Motion carried.

The agenda for May was discussed. The next meeting will Monday, May 8, 2023. The Board of Review will meet to adjourn prior to the regular meeting.

Supv. Perez made the motion, seconded by Supv. Cutts, to adjourn the meeting at 8:52pm. 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