

TOWN OF EAU PLEINE
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 11, 2023

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** The Town of Eau Pleine monthly town board meeting was called to order by Chairman Mark Landwehr at 7:32 pm on April 11th, 2023, at the Town of Eau Pleine Town Hall, 111630 Equity St, Stratford, WI 54484. The clerk verified Proper posting of Meeting Notice and Agenda.
- II. ATTENDANCE:** In attendance were Mark Landwehr (hereinafter referred to as ML), Kurt Schwarze (hereinafter referred to as KS), Mark Radke (hereinafter referred to as MR) and Deanna Landwehr. Others present were Chad Willemsen, Alan Leffel and Warren Manecke
- III. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**
- Chad Willemsen questioned when the bridge construction on Equity St. would begin. The bridge will be constructed sometime this summer but we don't have an exact start date yet.
 - Alan Leffel questioned why he was fined for plowing snow across the road. The Town of Eau Pleine has an ordinance which prohibits plowing snow across the roads for safety reasons.
- IV. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** The town board had previously received copies of the minutes from the March 14th, 2023 meeting. Motion/Second by KS/MR to dispense with reading the minutes and accept them as written. Motion carried.
- V. TREASURER'S REPORT:**
- Deanna read the Treasurer's report. Balance on hand as of 3/29/2023 General Account \$42,211.87, Tax Account \$6,446.87, Money Market Account \$93,007.61. The Money Market Account contains two funds. Capital Projects Fund Balance of \$35,424.44 and ARPA Fund Balance of \$57,583.17. (Note: the tax account balance is as of 3/15/2023) Total Cash on Hand \$147,666.35. There is one unpaid invoice for \$50. Motion/Second by KS/MR to accept the treasurer's report as read. Motion carried.

VI. BROADBAND PROJECT DISCUSSION: Alex Nelson works with Millennium Geospatial on permitting for the Bug Tussel Wireless's Marathon County Broadband Project. He had sent an email with questions for the Town Board. We also received a similar email from Tanya James of CHC Consulting. They do the permitting for Frontier Communications. After much discussion and some questions for Alex Nelson via phone call, the board decided at the very least we will require proof of insurance from these companies as well as a bond to be posted in the amount of \$10,000 to \$15,000 to cover any possible damages caused by construction. Construction may begin towards the end of 2023 or the beginning of 2024. We will continue discussion at the next meeting.

VII. CLERK'S REPORT:

- The display case at the recycling center needs a small repair
- There were 293 votes cast in the February Spring Election
- We no longer have a printer or copier at the town hall. There are many times this is needed. Motion/Second by MR/KS to approve Deanna to purchase one with a starter supply of ink at a cost of up to \$65. Motion carried.

VIII. ROAD & SIGNS:

- We will publish the notice for sealed bids for granite and calcium chloride in the Record Review. Bids will be opened at the beginning of the May meeting
- Some work will be done on the culvert at the north end of Wescott Ave.
- ML and Ryan Maldonis are working on the list of roads that need granite this year
- We also need to replace some broken road signs
- We received the new rates from JJ's Brushcutting of \$70/hr for grass cutting and \$80/hr for brush cutting.

IX. SANITATION/RECYCLING:

- There have been some issues with the locks on the dumpsters being cut. We're not sure why someone would want to break into the dumpsters but this has happened in the past also.
- Motion/Second by MR/KS to purchase some signage to deter this. Motion carried.

X. REVIEW FIRE ORDINANCE: The most recently listed fire ordinance is not the correct one. We need to go through the files at the town hall to find the last update. We will review this again at the May meeting.

XI. FIRE COMMISSIONER REPORT: None

XII. ZONING:

- Thomas & Mary Zuelke land survey
- Mathy Construction renewing DNR permit for non-metallic mining

XIII. ANNUAL TOWN MEETING:

- There will be a presentation by the Stratford Fire Department

XIV. CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER:

- Towns Association meeting to be held on April 27
- ML has received some complaints in the town about loose animals and barking dogs

XV. PAYMENT OF BILLS:

- Motion/Second by MR/KS to approve payment of the bills. Motion carried.

XVI. NEXT MEETING:

- The May meeting is scheduled for May 9th, 2023 at 7:30 pm.

XVII. ADJOURNMENT: Motion/Second by KS/MR to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:03 pm

Deanna Landwehr, Clerk