

**MEETING MINUTES
TOWN OF LAFOLLETTE
Monthly Town Board Meeting**

Monday, February 10, 2025

Attendance: Chair Darwyn Brown, Supervisor Scott Lauder, Supervisor Mitch Coyour, Treasurer Karen Mangelsen, Clerk Sandy Hinkley

Residents: 2

Meeting Start: 7:01 pm

Verification of Posting - Posted notice on website and 2 physical locations.

Reading of Minutes:

Jan 13th Caucus. Motion to accept minutes made by Scott, 2nd by Mitch

Jan 13th Monthly Town Board Meeting. Motion to accept minutes made by Mitch, 2nd by Scott

Clerk's Report:

- 2024 Year End Processing complete. Election wages needed correction processing to accommodate reportable wages earned over \$600.
- Motion made by Scott, 2nd by Mitch to classify Renae Judd as Election Chief Inspector, pay accordingly.
- Hertel Fire Department SAP reporting completed and paid.
- Workers Comp – another claim was filed but settled immediately due to previous settlement.
- Assessment – A correction was filed which required a refund. The property owner had to pay in full, but town is required to process complete refund, including the County, School and College portion. Town will file correction with Assessment records and with the Dept of Rev. DOR approves in Oct and will notify County, School, College of amounts reimbursable to Town.
 - Motion made to administer refund now, prior to Board of Review. Motion made by Scott, 2nd by Mitch and Darwyn approved.
- Renewal of Contract for Tamarack Springs Assessing. A 3-year contract, effective until 12/31/27. Increased monthly rates to \$700, effective March, 2025. Highly pleased with service. Motion to accept contract made by Scott, 2nd by Mitch.
 - Assessor changed time slots for Open Book to 4:00 – 6:00 pm on April 30th, 2025
- Preliminary draft of Newsletter presented, available for changes, input, suggestions
 - Suggest a May mailing after Annual Meeting

Treasurer's Report:

- Receipts of January taxes, overpayment by Ron Smith refunded.
- January taxes collected but LaFollette portion not yet defined.
- Motion to accept Treasurer's report made by Scott, 2nd by Mitch

Monthly Financial Report:

- Jan settlement not defined at this time
- Budget on track, early in year

Website Update:

- Voting information along with sample ballot for Spring Primary will be added
- Will add an updated ambulance report

Road Items:

- Hydraulic hose break on dump truck, replaced and repaired by Darwyn and Doug.
- Radiator started leaking on dump truck, County shop will repair early next week
- Mike Tarnowski will cover snow removal while Doug is gone. May be required to use grader
- Tractor is in Rice Lake to put on new mower deck. Contract stated details of pick-up and install and return.
- Work on Twin Lake Rd to widen. Property owner, Jared Washburn authorized tree cutting on both sides of road to accommodate a 4-rod road.
- Resident call on Windorski Rd, a 3-rod road, to understand right of way, boundaries and where trees can be planted.
- Dake Rd has trees that need attention. Scott will notify Doug.
- Septic System at Town Hall required attention this week, will call in the Spring for further maintenance.
- Sirentel will update equipment on Feb 17th.

Resident Issues:

- Darwyn will no longer be Chair for the Burnett County WTA.
 - Issue within WTA was on Wake Boats; Town of Scott created an ordinance was sued. Oakland was advised by Lawyer to wait on wake boats.
 - LaFollette will address issue at a later time, after other towns find solution.
 - It was discussed at our Dec Monthly meeting as a potential topic of wake boats at Annual Meeting
- Darwyn will chair the March and April meetings remotely.

Bills and Correspondences:

Short Term rental notifications were shared
Checks pre-signed for Darwyn absence.

Scott makes a motion to adjourn meeting, 2nd by Mitch.

Adjourned: 7:46 pm

Sandy Hinkley,
Town Clerk

Town of La Follette
Feb. 10, 2025

RECEIPTS

Transfer from savings for
January settlement \$115,608.31
AM VETS Post 1993 - bartenders 15.00
Escrow check - to reimburse bonds, 3180.74
\$118,804.05

ROAD
\$22,883.82

GENERAL
\$119,996.52

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS
\$ 142,880.34

BALANCE BEFORE BILLS
\$387,144.31

Comm. Bank { \$126,211.06 (1/31/25) - check.
(Int. 162.66) { \$857,885.89 - savings
{ \$15,493.95 - WPC

TOWN OF LaFOLLETTE
10-Feb-25
2025 BUDGET

	2025 Approved Budget October 2024	2025 Revised Budget Ongoing	2025 YTD Total	2025 Revised/YTD Difference
INCOME				
TAXES (LEVY)				
Property Taxes:	\$283,471	\$283,471	\$28,732	\$254,739
Siren Fire Department Increase				
Road Loan Payments:				
Sterling Bank Road Loan Levy #1				
Community Bank Loan Levy #2	\$139,903	\$139,903		\$139,903
Road Loan Levy #3				
State Funded Road Loan Levy #4				
LEVY TOTAL	\$423,374	\$423,374	\$28,732	\$394,642
INTERGOVERNMENTAL :				
MFL/FCL	\$137	\$137		\$137
Shared Revenue	\$47,024	\$47,024		\$47,024
Transportation Aids	\$117,261	\$117,261	\$29,315	\$87,946
DNR	\$610	\$610		\$610
State Fire Aids	\$3,000	\$3,000		\$3,000
Fire Signs	\$200	\$200		\$200
License & Permits	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$15	\$2,485
Fuel Tax Refund	\$400	\$400		\$400
LRIP-S Williams Road -- WISDOT				\$0
TRIP Warner Lake Road				\$0
TRIP Indian Creek Road				\$0
Fire Department SAP	\$3,200	\$3,200		\$3,200
INTERGOVERNMENTAL SUBTOTAL :	\$174,332	\$174,332	\$29,330	\$145,002
MISCELLANEOUS:				
Bank Interest	\$500	\$500	\$163	\$337
Community Bank Loan				
Personal Property Tax	\$130	\$0		\$0
Dog License Fees	\$300	\$300		\$300
Land/Equipment Sale				
Exempt Computer/Misc Income	\$100	\$106	\$106	\$0
Cash from Dec 30 Reconciliation		\$35,672	\$35,672	\$0
Highway Projects carried from 2024		\$65,000	\$65,000	\$0
Over Paid Taxes	\$0	\$3,180	\$3,180	\$0
MISCELLANEOUS SUBTOTAL:	\$1,030	\$104,758	\$104,121	\$637
INCOME TOTAL	\$598,736	\$702,464	\$162,183	\$540,281

TOWN OF LaFOLLETTE 10-Feb-25 2025 BUDGET	2025 Approved Budget October 2024	2025 Revised Budget Ongoing	2025 YTD Total	2025 Revised/YTD Difference
EXPENSES				
General Fund:				
Board Salary	\$14,600	\$14,600	\$0	\$14,600
Board Expenses	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$98	\$1,902
Legal Fees/Publications	\$500	\$500	\$0	\$500
Town Clerk Wages	\$16,200	\$17,000	\$1,350	\$15,650
Clerk Expenses & Website	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$162	\$5,838
Accounting Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Payroll Expenses	\$22,250	\$9,600	\$501	\$9,099
Treasurer Wages	\$9,000	\$9,500	\$0	\$9,500
Treasurer Expenses	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$50	\$950
Bank Charges	\$50	\$50	\$5	\$45
Assessor	\$5,700	\$5,700	\$900	\$4,800
Election Wages	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	\$3,000
Election Expenses	\$7,900	\$7,900	\$450	\$7,450
Misc Insurance/Bond/WC	\$7,600	\$7,600	\$0	\$7,600
Siren Fire Department	\$11,570	\$11,570	\$10,358	\$1,212
Hertel Fire Department	\$10,700	\$10,700	\$0	\$10,700
Hertle Fire Department SAP	\$5,800	\$5,800	\$4,942	\$858
Ambulance Services	\$37,000	\$37,000	\$18,550	\$18,450
Town Infrastructure	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000
Utilites	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$720	\$3,280
Dog License Paid to County	\$100	\$100	\$0	\$100
Overpaid Taxes Refund	\$0	\$3,180	\$3,180	\$0
GENERAL FUND SUBTOTAL	\$174,970	\$166,800	\$41,267	\$125,533
Road Fund:				
Hwy Wages	\$70,000	\$80,000	\$5,196	\$74,804
Outside Contractors	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0	\$1,500
Highway Expense	\$175,363	\$212,255	\$1,167	\$211,088
Highway Project carried from 2024		\$65,000	\$0	\$65,000
Equipment Maintenance	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$258	\$7,742
Highway Insurance	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$0	\$8,000
Fuel	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$1,529	\$6,471
Bldg Maintenance	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0	\$5,000
Shop Supplies	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$234	\$766
Highway Materials - Salt/Sand	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0	\$6,000
Animal Control/Culvert Cleaning	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000
ROAD FUND SUBTOTAL	\$283,863	\$395,755	\$8,384	\$387,371
Loan Payments:				
Principle Equip Loan	\$0	\$0		\$0
Interest Equip Loan	\$0	\$0		\$0
Road Loan Principle	\$126,461	\$126,461		\$126,461
Road Loan Interest	\$13,442	\$13,442		\$13,442
LOAN PAYMENT SUBTOTAL	\$139,903	\$139,903	\$0	\$139,903
EXPENSE TOTAL	\$598,736	\$702,458	\$49,651	\$652,807
INCOME TOTAL	\$598,736	\$702,464	\$162,183	\$540,281
Available			Current \$112,531	Projected \$6
HAIL DAMAGE 2023	Income	Expenses	Balance	Available
2023 Initial Payment Firemans Ins	\$9,995		\$9,995	\$14,503
2023 Second Payment Firemans Ins	\$2,911		\$12,906	
2024 Payment for Shop Roof	\$6,413	\$4,816	\$14,503	
WHITE PINE CEMETERY				
Beginning Balance	\$15,494		\$15,494	\$15,494
Plots Sold			\$15,494	
Expenses			\$15,494	