

TOWN OF LAFOLLETTE

Monthly Board Meeting

September 9, 2024

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

Residents: 7

Meeting Start: 6:59 pm

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

Previous Meeting Minutes:

Aug 12, 2024 Monthly Meeting Minutes were read. Motion to accept by Scott, 2nd by Mitch

Clerk Report:

- Election Results. 114 voters. Gift and card sent to Melba for her lose and her extended years of election service
- St Croix Casino was granted a one-day addendum to their liquor license to allow service in their parking lot for an event.
- Open Book was held on Sept 4th. 17 – 20 attendees. No one filed an Objection. Our Assessor was exceptional and willing to talk with anyone prior to the Board of Review.
- Verify MFL designated land in LaFollette, no objection to list

Treasurer Report:

- Receipt of the loan into Savings Acct
- Receipt of August tax settlement from County
- Need to make correction of expense from General to WPC
- Motion to accept by Scott, 2nd by Mitch

Monthly Balance Report:

- Income in taxes overestimated, steps to correct will be taken.
- Income states LRIP and TRIP expected, not yet received.
- Road Fund – added loan payment into Hwy Expenses. Includes unpaid projects to be paid 2024
- Final payment to Monarch and Madison not to be made until LRIP/TRIP payment received

Website:

- Up to date – made rapid changes for assessment inquiry activity.

2025 Proposed Budget:

- Required within October for Electors meeting and approval
- 0.37% Levy increase allowed from DOR plus loan payment makes an overall 3.15% increase for 2025
- Expenses pretty much the same as prior year. Highway Exp less since big expense in 2024
- Preliminary because Shared Revenue amount not known yet. As well as unknown increase for expenses such as ambulance/fire/ etc.
- Board meeting needed to work out 2025 budget details needed prior to October meeting to accommodate the 15-day posting requirement.
- Schedule Electors meeting and regular monthly meeting for Oct 21st.

Road Items:

- Warner Lake Rd, Cranberry Marsh Rd and Williams Rd are all completed.
- Rain caused washouts on new roads, Doug & Darwyn have repaired, as well as other shouldering.
- Submitted all LRIP / TRIP reimbursement documentation.
- Doug has been mowing and clearing brush.
- Shop roof will be inspected by Darwyn and next steps determined.

Resident Issues:

- Land Deed issue:
 - 1967 land was deeded to Town of LaFollette for \$1 for unknown reasons
 - 1976 Parcels were surveyed
 - Residents have been paying taxes on parcels, Title companies should have caught
 - 2021 Theodore Mitchell identified a parcel, should have looked for potential others.
 - Resolved by him paying \$500 to town for parcel.
 - Resolution for current identified parcels:
 - File a Quick Claim deed to current residents.
 - Will identify external help to file the claim.
 - Residents effected approve of quick claim solution
 - Scott moved, Mitch 2nd to go forward with external help, an attorney, to process quick claim
 - Land Department has stated the Town of LaFollette is now up to date

Bills & Correspondence:

Sign checks

Motion to adjourn made by Scott, seconded by Mitch

Meeting Adjourn: 8:02 pm

Sandy Hinkley, Clerk

Town of La Follette
Sept. 9, 2024

RECEIPTS

Transfer from savings - loan	\$275,000.00
Burnett Cty. - sign - Thatcher	38.00
Burnett Cty. - Aug. settlement	165,623.13
	<u>\$440,661.13</u>

ROAD

\$154,236.70

GENERAL

129,757.86

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

\$283,994.56

BALANCE BEFORE BILLS

\$186,276.40

COMM. BANK

INT. - \$105⁰⁰

{ \$195,004.55 (CHECK.
\$216,394.43 (SAV.)
\$15,013.44 (WPC)

TOWN OF LaFOLLETTE 9-Sep-24 2024 BUDGET	2024 Approved Budget October 2023	2024 Revised Budget Ongoing	2024 YTD Total	2024 Revised/YTD Difference
CarryOver from 2023		\$18,796	\$18,796	\$0
INCOME				
TAXES (LEVY)				
Property Taxes:	\$282,432	\$282,432	\$285,105	\$2,673
Siren Fire Department Increase				
Road Loan Payments:				
Sterling Bank Road Loan Levy #1	\$128,012	\$128,012	\$128,012	\$0
Road Loan Levy #2				
Road Loan Levy #3				
State Funded Road Loan Levy #4				
LEVY TOTAL	\$410,444	\$410,444	\$413,117	\$2,673
INTERGOVERNMENTAL :				
MFL/FCL	\$137	\$1,051	\$1,051	\$0
Shared Revenue	\$39,446	\$39,446	\$7,026	\$32,420
Transportation Aids	\$117,261	\$117,261	\$87,946	\$29,315
DNR	\$610	\$610		\$610
State Fire Aids	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$552	\$2,448
Fire Signs	\$200	\$202	\$202	\$0
License & Permits	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,477	\$23
Fuel Tax Refund	\$400	\$400	\$345	\$55
LRIP-S Williams Road -- WISDOT	\$149,210	\$149,210	\$149,210	\$0 In Process
TRIP Warner Lake Road	\$18,000	\$18,305	\$18,305	\$0 In Process
Hertle Fire Department SAP	\$3,200	\$3,200	\$2,392	\$808
INTERGOVERNMENTAL SUBTOTAL :	\$333,964	\$335,185	\$269,506	\$65,679
MISCELLANEOUS:				
Bank Interest	\$8	\$911	\$911	\$0
Community Bank Loan		\$260,000	\$260,000	\$0
Personal Property Tax	\$130	\$130	\$130	\$0
Dog License Fees	\$300	\$364	\$264	\$100
Land/Equipment Sale				
Misc Revenue	\$5	\$319	\$319	\$0
Transfer From Insurance Account (Hail Damage)				
Refund/Overpayment of taxes	\$0	\$3,561	\$3,561	\$0
MISCELLANEOUS SUBTOTAL:	\$443	\$265,285	\$265,185	\$100
INCOME TOTAL	\$744,851	\$1,029,710	\$966,603	\$68,452

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EXPENSES					
General Fund:					
Board Salary	\$15,600	\$14,600	\$0	\$14,600	
Board Expenses	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$1,264	\$736	
Legal Fees/Publications	\$500	\$500	\$128	\$373	
Town Clerk Wages	\$16,200	\$16,200	\$10,800	\$5,400	
Clerk Expenses	\$3,000	\$5,000	\$3,829	\$1,171	
Accounting Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Payroll Expenses	\$22,250	\$14,400	\$5,428	\$8,972	
Treasurer Wages	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$4,500	\$4,500	
Treasurer Expenses	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$329	\$671	
Bank Charges	\$50	\$50	\$5	\$45	
Assessor	\$5,700	\$5,700	\$4,275	\$1,425	
Election Wages	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$1,808	\$1,192	
Election Expenses	\$7,900	\$7,900	\$1,703	\$6,197	
Misc Insurance/Bond/WC	\$1,000	\$1,312	\$1,312	\$0	
Siren Fire Department	\$11,570	\$11,570	\$10,445	\$1,125	
Hertel Fire Department	\$10,700	\$10,700	\$0	\$10,700	
Hertle Fire Department SAP	\$5,600	\$5,600	\$4,294	\$1,306	
Ambulance Services	\$35,000	\$35,260	\$35,259	\$1	
Town Infrastructure	\$7,000	\$18,000	\$0	\$18,000	Add Broadband \$11,000
Utilities	\$2,000	\$3,200	\$2,251	\$949	From Carryover
Dog License Paid to County	\$100	\$100	\$0	\$100	
Website	\$400	\$400	\$0	\$400	
Overpaid Taxes Refund	\$0	\$3,561	\$3,561	\$0	
GENERAL FUND SUBTOTAL	\$159,570	\$169,053	\$91,190	\$77,863	
Road Fund:					
Hwy Wages	\$70,000	\$70,000	\$47,082	\$22,918	
Outside Contractors	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$900	\$600	
Highway Expense	\$182,759	\$448,418	\$382,387	\$66,031	Includes \$227,087
Highway Grants Expense (TRID)	\$167,210	\$167,210	\$167,210	\$0	in unpaid projects
Equipment Maintenance	\$8,000	\$15,000	\$10,472	\$4,528	
Highway Insurance	\$7,600	\$7,600	\$0	\$7,600	Moved from General Expense
Fuel	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$7,577	\$423	
Bldg Maintenance	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$2,304	\$2,697	
Shop Supplies	\$200	\$1,000	\$295	\$705	
Highway Materials - Salt/Sand	\$7,000	\$6,000	\$2,906	\$3,094	
Animal Control/Culvert Cleaning		\$1,000	\$500	\$500	Added split from HM
ROAD FUND SUBTOTAL	\$457,269	\$730,728	\$621,633	\$109,095	
Loan Payments:					
Principle Equip Loan	\$0	\$0		\$0	
Interest Equip Loan	\$0	\$0		\$0	
Road Loan Principle	\$124,303	\$124,303	\$124,303	\$0	
Road Loan Interest	\$3,709	\$3,750	\$3,750	\$0	
LOAN PAYMENT SUBTOTAL	\$128,012	\$128,053	\$128,053	\$0	
EXPENSE TOTAL	<u>\$744,851</u>	<u>\$1,027,834</u>	<u>\$840,875</u>	<u>\$186,959</u>	
INCOME TOTAL	<u>\$744,851</u>	<u>\$1,029,710</u>	<u>\$966,603</u>	<u>\$68,452</u>	
Available			Current \$125,728	Projected \$7,222	
HAIL DAMAGE 2023	Income	Expenses	Balance	Available \$12,906	
2023 Initial Payment Firemans Ins	\$9,995		\$9,995		
2023 Second Payment Firemans Ins	\$2,911		\$12,906		
WHITE PINE CEMETERY				\$14,993	
Beginning Balance	\$14,613		\$14,613		
Plot Sold	\$400		\$15,013		
Expense		\$20	\$14,993		