

Town of Lincoln – Eau Claire County

April 18, 2023 – Annual Meeting Minutes @ Town Hall, 7:30PM

The chairman called the meeting to order at 7:30PM. Present were Chairman: Robert Dewitz, Supervisors: Dean Klingbeil and Matt Krenz, Treasurer: Lori Bechard, Clerk: Sherri McCormick. Also present: Incoming Supervisor: Matt Orysen, and several town residents.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.

The minutes of the 2022 annual meeting were read then approved on a motion by Carl Knudtson and seconded by Gerry Schiefelbein.

The electors chose to self-read the financial report and it was approved on a motion by Carl Knudtson and seconded by Dave Johnson.

It was agreed to offer the liquor license for July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024, to Dick's on 12 and have one license on reserve by a motion from Carl Knudtson and seconded by Gerry Hartwich.

The Chairman asked electors to allow the Board to borrow up to \$50,000 for cash flow problems, if the need should arise. A motion was made by Dave Johnson and seconded by Matt Orysen to approve this request.

The Chairman asked the electors if they would like to continue to put money into the Machine Fund for 2023. The current balance of the Machine Funds was stated to be \$139,023.54. A motion was made by Carl Knudtson to add \$30,000 to the Machine Fund and it was seconded by Dave Johnson and the motion carried.

The Chairman updated electors on the 50% increase that is coming to provide ambulance service to the town. Chairman asked electors for opinions on adding ambulance cost into the levy. The other option is for the town to continue to pay as it has been which reduces funds available for roads. Electors were favorable toward a levy. No action was taken.

The cost to replace both exterior doors at the town hall was stated to be \$6,200. It was approved to replace the town hall doors on a motion made by Gerry Hartwich and seconded by Matt Orysen.

The current rate to rent the town hall is \$100/a day for residents and \$150/a day for non-residents. The electors agreed to leave the fees as is on a motion made by Matt Orysen and seconded by Jerry McCormick.

Town board salary survey was reviewed. Carl Knudtson made a motion to increase chairman and supervisors pay to \$85 per meeting. The motion was 2nd by Jerry McCormick and approved.

Carl Knudtson made a motion to have a town picnic this year and to allow the board to choose the date and menu for the picnic. The motion was seconded by Dave Johnson and was approved.

The next Annual meeting date will be the 3rd Tuesday in April 2024, which is April 16th, 2024, @7:30p.m. @ Town Hall.

The Chairman asked if anyone had anything further to discuss. Travis Bourget asked that Riverview Road be blacktopped. It was discussed that the road is shared with the Town of Washington and also that by ordinance there are not enough residents on the road to allow paving.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jerry McCormick and seconded by Dave Johnson. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15p.m.

Newly elected board members took oath of office for April 2023 – April 2025 term as follows:

Matt Krenz, Town Board Chairman

Dean Klingbeil, Town Board Supervisor

Matt Orysen, Town Board Supervisor

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