Town of Lincoln Eau Claire County

Minutes of Monthly Meeting, October 9, 2023 @ Town Hall - 7:00p.m.

Notice of the meeting was posted: the town website, @Town Hall, & published in the Ad Delite.

Roll call: The full board was in attendance along with several residents.

The chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

The agenda was approved on a motion made by Matt Orysen and seconded by Dean Klingbeil.

The minutes of the September monthly meeting were read. The minutes were approved on a motion made by Dean Klingbeil and seconded by Matt Orysen.

Monthly mailings: Letter from DNR advising us of new permitting for the sand mine.

Public Input: None

Items for tonight's meeting: Zoning Request- both parties were present and explained their plans for the 120 acres which includes building a residence. The board approved the request as outlined in the rezoning application on a motion made by Matt Orysen and seconded by Dean Klingbeil.

Fence viewing findings (Miller/Borntreger) Matt Krenz shared the determination that because the properties are split by a road, the town cannot require a fence be built and that the town will not issue a fine for animals at large. Property owners were advised to take appropriate measures in the interest of their own properties and were advised to contact police for future animal at large issues.

New Zoning Info The board agreed to allow Dessy Johnson to gather information about the town taking on the zoning versus having the county continue to do it. Dessy also shared information about new renewable energy transmission lines that are proposed to come through the area.

Bloomer Broadband Travis McFarlane spoke by speaker phone about his proposal to provide broadband to 110 homes in Lincoln with help from a State of WI grant and a contribution from the town of \$15,000. The board agreed to commit to a contribution of \$10,000 on a motion made by Dean Klingbeil and seconded by Matt Orysen.

Property Clean up Matt K will contact the lawyer concerning the next steps in initiating cleanup of the property on the corner of Birch Tree Lane and Water Tower Road.

The emergency plan was tabled until the November meeting.

The **first draft of the budget** was reviewed, and no changes were made.

The **fire department** presented a budget for 2024 of \$59,372.08 (Lincoln share), which is a decrease of \$852.90 from last year. The board reviewed the budget and approved it on a motion made by Dean Klingbeil and seconded by Matt Orysen.

The shouldering machine was tabled until the November meeting as we are waiting for information from Bridge Creek.

Road and Town Business: Matt K gave a road update -- gravel has been added to build up Deer Road. Shouldering work is in progress on Strawberry and Suncrest.

Treasurers Report was read as follows: General Funds as of 9/30/2023 Unity Bank \$544,619.04 Petty cash \$75.00 CCU Checking \$124,627.81 Town Hall Fund \$14,115.06 Machinery Fund \$112,322.36 Road Crew Debit Card \$334.71 CD \$31,221.24 A.R.P.A \$96,825.65 The report was approved on a motion made by Matt Orysen and seconded by Dean Klingbeil.

Bills to be paid tonight totaled \$112,805.83. It was approved to transfer money to pay the bills on a motion made by Matt Orysen and seconded by Dean Klingbeil

Future agenda items will include budget, budget hearing, emergency plan, shoulder machine, audit committee, town hall rental

The next meeting will be Monday, November 13th, 2023, at 7:00p.m.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dean Klingbeil and seconded by Matt Orysen. The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Sherri McCormick, clerk