

TOWN OF OSCEOLA
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
Monday, July 1, 2024 — 6:30 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

The Board of Supervisors of the Town of Osceola met for a regular monthly meeting Monday, July 1, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at the Osceola Town Hall, Dresser, Wisconsin.

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Lindh called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

VERIFICATION OF MEETING POSTING: Clerk Pratt confirmed that the notice was posted at the Town Hall, Dresser Post Office, the First National Community Bank, and the Town website.

PLEDGE: Lindh led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

PRESENT: Chair Lindh, Supervisors Cronick, Johnson, Magnafici, and Weingarten.

ABSENT: None

PUBLIC ATTENDEES: Clerk Pratt, Treasurer Carlson, Jim Berg, Donna Berg, Shabana Lundeen (Polk County Clerk), Debbie Thompson, Merle Aarthun, Dianne Aarthun, Warren Johnson, Jim Brundage, Carrie Lindh. Teams attendees, TW, Trish, and citizen

CHECK PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF BILLS

A packet of check detail was provided by Treasurer Carlson.

MOTION BY CRONICK/JOHNSON TO APPROVE THE LIST OF FROM JUNE 4- JULY 1, 2024 CHECKS AND ACH PAYMENTS 19432 - 19463, FOR A TOTAL OF \$263,877.96, INCLUDING A TRANSFER OF \$211,346.00 FROM ARPA ACCOUNT TO COVER MONARCH AND FAHRNER ROAD CONSTRUCTION BILLS, AND A BALANCE OF \$52,532.01 FROM THE TAX ACCOUNT. MOTION CARRIED.

ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSED AGENDA

MOTION BY CRONICK/LINDH TO APPROVE THE AGEND WITH AMENDING ORDER OF ITEM 13A TO BETWEEN 12E AND 12F. MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

MOTION BY LINDH/CRONICK TO APPROVE THE 06/03/2024 REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES, MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT

Warren Johnson- Mr. Johnson spoke to road infrastructure and that it is the base of a strong community, the money from the upcoming referendum, if passed, will always go to roads. The State is not meeting the needs for road money and keeping up with inflation.

Debbie Thompson- Spoke to the electronic voting machines, beseeching the board to end the use of electronic voting machines and tabulators.

Jim Brundage- Spoke to voting machines – do they make things more secure, do they make election faster and do they reduce costs, stating his opinion of no.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Raddatz provided detailed report of work efforts done throughout June, read by Joe Gaffney.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bank balances as presented.

MOTION BY CRONICK/JOHNSON TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED.

CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Pratt gave a report on work activities during the month of June.

OLD BUSINESS

CONSIDER NUISANCE PROPERTIES

Weingarten will be visiting the properties.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF REFERENDUM RESOLUTION 01-01-01

MOTION BY LINDH/JOHNSON TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE REFERENDUM FOR ROAD CONSTRUCTION. ROLL CALL VOTE: WEINGARTEN- ABSTAIN, CRONICK – YES, LINDH- YES, MAGNAFICI- YES, JOHNSON-YES.

CONSIDER FLYER FOR TOWN ROAD REFERENDUM

A flyer has been created to be sent to town residents for sharing information on the road construction referendum. The cost for printing and mailing is upwards of \$2000. The mailing should be ready to mail no later than July 15. MOTION BY LINDH/JOHNSON TO APPROVE PRINTING OF 1800 AND LOWEST COST MAILING OPTIONS TO BE DETERMINED. MOTION CARRIED, 4 YES, 1 ABSTAIN.

CONSIDER EMERGENCY ROAD BRIDGE GRANT UPDATE

No new information, waiting upon notification from Polk County.

CONSIDER ARIP UPDATE

An update is expected to come in July. If grant is not approved, we can re-apply in September.

13a- Speaker Shabana Lundeen, Polk County Clerk

County Clerk Lundeen presented the election process that is followed in Polk County, voter registration, Absentee Ballot applications, Pollbooks, Public testing of equipment, how the machines work, Election Day voter number, end of elections, ballot tabulating and County canvassing of results.

CONSIDER VOTER INTEGRITY

MOTION BY WIENGARTEN/MAGNAFICI TO REMOVE THE ELECTRONIC ELECTION MACHINES AND TABULATORS. ROLL CALL VOTE: WEINGARTEN-YES, CRONICK-NO, LINDH-NO, MAGNAFICI-NO, JOHNSON-NO. MOTION FAILED.

MOTION BY LINDH/CRONICK TO CONTINUE USE OF TABULATOR AND ELECTION VOTING MACHINES DURING TOWN OF OSCEOLA ELECTIONS. ROLL CALL VOTE: WEINGARTEN-NO, CRONICK-YES, LINDH-YES, MAGNAFICI-NO, JOHNSON-YES. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDER MAILING FLYER FOR TOWN ROAD REFERENDUM

This item was covered under old business and approved to be mailed at lowest price.

CONSIDER UPDATING PUBLIC NOTICES

Clerk Pratt presented information on the option to not print all notices in the Sun Newspaper, because the Town does not have a newspaper physically headquartered within the boundaries of the Town. There are some items that will be required for newspaper notices, but the town will have the option to print if they so choose. This will be voted on at the August 5 meeting.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Lindh was notified by Devin Swanberg of the Village of Osceola, regarding the Simmon Drive Roadwork Project, the project has exceeded the original bid and the Town's costs have exceeded the approved to give \$64,427.86, toward the completion of the project. The Village will not be asking for additional funds.

SUPERVISORS' REPORTS

- a) Cronick – nothing to report
- b) Johnson – nothing to report, Thanking the public and board for being passionate about Town Matters
- c) Magnafici – nothing to report, comment about sign and business parking in road right of way
- d) Weingarten – nothing to report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance – nothing to report
Media & Technology – nothing to report
Personnel – nothing to report
Public Works - nothing to report

REQUEST FOR FUTURE MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

- New Business: Private signage in roads
- Old Business: Public Notices Policy, ARIP Grant Update, Emergency Bridge Grant, Nuisance Properties,

OTHER JULY BOARD MEETINGS: None

COMMUNITY MEETINGS BOARD MEMBERS ATTEND: July 3, 2024 County Zoning Hearing, Fire Board Meeting, Thursday, July 18, 2024, WTA Thursday, July 25, WTA Convention Aug 2 & 3, Referendum Information Session, Tuesday July 22, 2024

Next Plan Commission Meeting – Tuesday July 23, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

Next Town Board of Supervisors Meeting – Monday, August 5, 2024, 6:30 p.m.

Public Hearing: Recommended Comprehensive Plan- Tuesday, July 2, 2024 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURN

MOTION BY WEINGARTEN/CRONICK TO ADJOURN THE TOWN BOARD MEETING, MONDAY JUNE 3, 2024.
MOTION CARRIED. Meeting Adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

To be approved: August 5, 2024

Approved: 8-5-2024

Dani Pratt

Town Clerk