

**Town of La Pointe
Special Town Board Meeting
And 2021 Budget Workshop
Monday, October 19, 2020
5:00 pm at the Town Hall
Approved Minutes**

Town Board Members Present: Jim Patterson, Michael Anderson, Sue Brenna (via Teleconference), Glenn Carlson, John Carlson

Staff Present: Lisa Potswald, Barb Nelson, Ben Schram, Elected Clerk Micaela Montagne

1. Call to order: 5:01pm

2. Budget Workshop with each of the following departments:

A. Public Works (Included Roads, Parks, Capital Improvements): Public Works Director Ben Schram presented the budget requests for 2021. Most of the budget is consistent with previous years. The asphalt paving will be moved to 2021 as the weather this fall hasn't cooperated. Ben is looking at adding one full time road crew/ operator/ mechanic in 2021. Other items discussed include purchasing a new steamer for culverts, replacing more culverts, a grader engine harness replacement, and painting lines on Hagen Road. An adjustment was made to County H roads revenue from \$42,000 to closer to \$30,000 to be consistent with 2020. Parks discussion included continuing to move forward with the Rec Center Bathrooms, resurfacing Big Bay Town Park trails, and fixing the sewer at the Joni's Beach bathroom. Revenues at Big Bay Town Park were up in 2020, and thus the estimated revenues in 2021 could also increase.

B. Airport: Requests for 2021 are fairly flat. Discussion on the future of the terminal building as it needs renovations.

C. Dock/ Harbor: The dock project is 99% complete and the one-year warranty is good until October of 2021. Looking at putting in the dock passenger shelter in 2021 (the Public Arts Committee is currently working on finalizing ideas and plans).

D. Materials Recovery Facility: Ben Schram's goals are to continue to clean up the site, safety, and maximize efficiency. 2021 purchases include security cameras, a point of sale system, hopper bins, and a new roll off truck. Cleaning up and remodeling the office and restroom are in the 2021 budget as well as educating the public and changing a few things (like not entering the processing facility for cardboard and paper). Discussion on the future of the MRF, in 2021 it will remain similar with some changes, but then really looking at what is the most efficient: being a MRF vs. just a transfer station, single stream etc.

3. Contract with Midland Services for Installation of Two Propane Tanks for the Emergency Services Building: Motion to approve the contract for \$4,738.88 Through December 31, 2020, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

4. Public Comment: Sue Brenna commented that it was very difficult to hear everyone with the speaker phone, so she will attend in person for the future meetings.

5. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. Adjourned at 6:47pm.

Submitted by Micaela Montagne, Town Clerk.

Approved as submitted October 27, 2020. M. Montagne, Town Clerk.