

TOWN OF LA POINTE
SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEEITNG
Wednesday November 11, 2020
5:00 pm at Town Hall
Approved Minutes

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

Staff Present: Lisa Potswald, Barb Nelson (via telephone), Ben Schram (via telephone), Elected Clerk Micaela Montagne

Public Present: Paul Brummer

I. Call to Order: 5:00pm.

II. Public Comment: None.

III. 2021 Budget Considerations: Changes have been made to the budget after the first round of workshops. Further discussion on possibly raising the police officer wages to \$25.00/ hour and \$25.50 for the Sargent position. Sexton compensation was also discussed, and it may become that the duties of the sexton get absorbed by the Public Works Department and the Clerical Assistant (though the Board is still interested in compensating the current Sextons for the work done in 2020 as there were no burials). G. Carlson brought up that there is an overall structural deficit to the Town's operating budget, and it may be better for the Town to have part time employees. 2021 Budget may have to be reduced and will still have a levy increase. Public Works Director will remove a new full time parks position to part time, but leave one new full time position to cover maintenance as well as float between the departments. To get back down to the same budget level as 2020, the Town Board will have each department look at their operating budget and reduce to accommodate. Capital projects can remain and the Board will look at financing them.

IV. Schedule Budget Meetings: Wednesday November 18 at 5:00pm and Thursday November 19 at 4:00pm.

V. Public Comment: Paul Brummer commented on making sure the cemetery won't be neglected if the Sexton position is removed.

VI. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn, M. Anderson/ S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. Adjourned at 6:01pm.

Submitted by Micaela Montagne, Town Clerk.

Approved as submitted November 24, 2020. M. Montagne, Town Clerk.