

**TOWN OF LA POINTE**  
**REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING**  
**TUESDAY JUNE 22, 2021**  
**5:30 PM AT TOWN HALL**  
Approved Minutes

**Town Board Members Present:** Chair Glenn Carlson, Supervisor Michael Anderson, Supervisor Aimée Baxter, Supervisor Sue Brenna, Supervisor John Carlson  
**Staff Present:** Town Administrator Michael Kuchta, Public Works Director Ben Schram, Zoning Administrator Ric Gillman, Roads Crew Evan J. Erickson, Foreman Peter Wiggins, MRF Joe Abhold, Elected Clerk Micaela Montagne  
**Public Present:** Jim Peters, Susan Sabre, Peg Bertel, Steve Mueller, Gary Rieman, Gary Russell, Robin Trinko Russell, Sally Brown, Jøe Mike Iannazzo, Ken Peterson, Paul Brummer, Charley Brummer  
**Called to Order:** 5:30pm

**I. Public Comment A\*:** Ric Gillman stated that it was Lisa Potswald's last day and thanked her for her work.

**II. Town Administrator's Report:** Report prepared and presented by Michael Kuchta placed on file by Unanimous Consent.

Motion to move to agenda item IV. D. Public Arts, A. Baxter/ S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

#### **IV. Committees**

##### **D. Public Arts Committee**

1. Gateway Sculpture Art Project: Members of the Public Arts Committee present to go over the project selected by Lisa Kosmo. The committee would like to see the sculpture at the property recently donated to the town, the green space on Main Street and Le Sueur. Discussion that the property is not yet the Town's but that it would be a great spot, and to look into if there will be any increase in liability insurance. Motion to accept the proposal from the Public Arts Committee contingent upon obtaining the new property and clarifying the insurance issue, M. Anderson/ S. Brenna, 4 Ayes, 1 Nay (J. Carlson), Motion Carried.

Motion to return to agenda item III. J. Carlson/ M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

#### **III. Public Works**

##### **A. Roads, Dock, Harbor**

1. Change Order #1 with Northwoods Paving for Culvert Patches: Motion to approve the change order, adding \$3,965 for three additional culvert patches, S. Brenna/ M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

2. Follow up from Public Hearing for Special Assessment for Big Arns and Brians Roads: Town Board okay to continue with the special assessments as presented but would like to find out about if prepayment would reduce the interest owed.

3. Local Match/ Letter of Support County Road H Shoreline Mitigation Project: there is a possibility for Federal money with only a 10% match for the County to do work on the shoreline of County Highway H (in partnership with the Town). Motion to authorize and have the letter of support signed, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

4. Public Works Crew Dust Abatement Alternative Proposals: Public Works Director Ben Schram stated the objective is to provide alternative, cost effective solutions to dust control on gravel roads. There is money in the budget for this year, but B. Schram is interested in having the roads crew renovate an existing truck so the Town can spread their own dust control solutions this year and future years, rather than contracting out for it. Discussion on the process and options, including doing a pilot test run on Miller Farm Road by having the County come over to spread their solution on that road. Motion to allow the Public Works Department to make the truck to spread dust control solutions and to do the Miller Farm Road pilot test with the County, M. Anderson/ S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

5. Dust Abatement Quote/ Post for Dust Abatement Bids (see above)

6. Public Works Water Tank Attachment (see above)

#### B. Parks

1. Request for Wage Increase for Parks #2 Ciara Wiggins: Motion to approve the increase from \$16.32 to \$16.82 effective 6/27/2021, S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

2. Rec Center Bathroom Request for Bids: Motion to authorize the request for bids for the Rec Center bathrooms, S. Brenna/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

#### C. Materials Recovery Facility (MRF)

1. Request from St. John's to Use MRF August 5, 2021 during Bazaar: The MRF staff are okay with the request, and there will be no trash dumping that day. The St. John's Staff will work with the MRF staff to figure out details. Motion to approve the request, S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

D. Airport: Nothing.

E. Greenwood Cemetery: Nothing.

### IV. Committees

#### A. Planning and Zoning

A. Zoning Administrator's Report: N/A

B. Recommendation from Town Plan Commission for Approval of Certified Survey Application, Chad Binsfield, Owner, Parcel #014-00214-0700 Described as: Lot 6 Mondamin Circle 32-50N-03W, Parcel #014-00215-0600 Described as Lot 5 Mondamin Circle 32-50N-03W: Combines two parcels and complies with zoning. Motion to approve, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

C. Recommendation from Town Plan Commission for Approval of Certified Survey Application, Robert Hartzell, Owner, Parcel #014-00206-0200 Described as: LOT 1 CERTIFIED SURVEY 590 PT OF NE NW SEC 32 T 50N R3W 4.13AS Parcel #014-00206-0210 Described as: LOT 2 CERTIFIED SURVEY 590 PT OF NE NW SEC 32 T50N R3W V 696 PG 712 2.09AS: Conforms with zoning. Motion to approve M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

D. Recommendation from Town Plan Commission for Approval of Certified Survey, Kenneth Peterson and Christine Thompson, Owner. Parcel #014-00445-0200 Described as: LOT 2 BLOCK 42 VILLAGE OF LAPOINTE V 599 PG 431 662 Main Street 31-50N-03W

Cheryl Moseng, Owner. Parcel #014-00445-0100 Described as: LOT 1 BLOCK 42 & 1/2 VAC 13TH ST. ADJ VILLAGE OF LAPOINTE V 599 PG 430 31-50N-03W: Conforms with zoning. Motion to approve, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes Motion Carried.

E. Recommendation from Town Plan Commission to Deny Hartzell petition for Map Change: Parcel #014-00192-0600 Legal Description: South 254' of W ½ SW1/4 SW ¼ Less MP Condominium V 404 PG 377 & V 473 PG 702 Sec 29 T50N R3W 3.28A: Motion to deny as per the Town Plan Commission, J. Carlson/ M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

F. Junk Survey Summary Presentation and Discussion: Ric Gillman and Jim Peters presented the findings from the junk survey. The Town Plan Commission does not want to proceed with drafting a junk ordinance unless the Town Board gives the go ahead as they have done work in the past and the Town Board ended up not going with it. If it moves forward, the Town Plan Commission will seek a lot of public input. Motion to direct the Town Plan Commission to continue with developing a plan and recommendation to the Town Board relating to a junk ordinance, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. Aimée Baxter will be the Town Board liaison to the Town Plan Commission on this topic.

### **B. Library Board**

1. Request to Extend Posting for Library Board Members until 7/9/2021: Motion to approve the request, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

### **C. Zoning Board of Appeals**

1. Appoint Member to Zoning Board of Appeals for Terms Ending 6/30/2024: Motion to appoint Paul Brummer to the Zoning Board of Appeals, G. Carlson/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

## **V. Town Hall Administration**

A. Accounting Administrator's Report: Motion to approve the report prepared by Barb Nelson for June 2021, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. Grant Updates: Stated previously in the Town Administrator's Report.

C. Status Update of Resolution #2021-0303- Declaration of a Health Emergency: This resolution was to change Town and Town Board procedures as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic. Motion to rescind the resolution effective 6/23/2021, J. Carlson/ M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

D. Procedures/ Protocol for In Person Meetings and Financial Process: same procedures as pre- covid. The Town Board would still like the option to meet for brief meetings via teleconference.

E. Special Event Permit: Madeline Island Marathon May 21, 2022: Motion to approve the permit contingent on if the fees increase in 2022, the difference is covered, S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 4 Ayes, 1 Nay (J. Carlson), Motion carried.

F. Contract for Services with Island Septic 7/1/2021 – 6/30/2023: Motion to approve, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

G. Resolution #2021-0622: Authorization for Contacting Town Attorneys: change police chief can contact for pending 'matters' not just court cases. And change 'and' in item one to 'or'. Motion to approve with changes, J. Carlson/ S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

H. Resolution #2021-0622B: Donated Public Property Parcels 014-00436-0100, 014-00436-0200: Motion to approve the resolution, S. Brenna/ J. Carlson. Discussion on how the conditions will be on the deed document and that the adjacent property owners will have to

remove their picnic tables to their own property (but the Town may put up Town owned picnic tables). 5 Ayes with a thank you to Gary and Robin Russell for the donation, Motion Carried.

**VI. Treasurer's Report:** Motion to approve (showing a total of \$2,773,524.66), M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

**VII. Minutes**

A. Regular Town Board Meeting June 8, 2021: times in and out of closed session added to most recent draft. Motion to approve with the change, S. Brenna/ M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. Town Board Public Hearing June 15, 2021: Motion to approve, S. Brenna/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

**VIII. Emergency Services**

A. Ambulance Director's Report: Report prepared by Cindy Dalzell for June 2021 placed on file by Unanimous Consent.

B. Updates on Construction of Emergency Services Building (ESB): still finishing up, lamp posts installed. B. Schram thanked Tim Gagner, the project manager for his work.

C. ESB Open House Expenses: Motion to have the expenses come from 'ESB excess cash', M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

**IX. Public Comment B\*\*:** None.

**X. Liquor & Operators' Licenses**

A. Combination "Class A" Liquor License and Class "A" Fermented Malt Beverage License

1. L & D Trading Post/ Lori's Store, Lori Hinrichsen Agent

2. Mission Hill Coffee House/ La Pointe Provisions, Marie Noha

Motion to approve, S. Brenna/ M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. "Class A" Liquor License

1. Farmhouse Madeline Island, Lauren Schuppe Agent

Motion to approve, S. Brenna/ M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

C. "Class B" Liquor License

1. Bell Street Tavern/ Bell Street Global, Joseph Wiltz Agent

2. The Pub on Madeline Island Inc., Jennifer LeMere Agent

3. On the Edge Inc./ Café Seiche, Chris Wolfe Agent

Motion to approve, S. Brenna/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

D. Reserve "Class B" Liquor License

1. Middle Road Literary/ Arts Society Inc./ Tom's Burned Down Café, Kirsten Pedersen Agent

Motion to approve, S. Brenna/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

E. Class "B" Retail Sale of Fermented Malt Beverages License

1. Bell Street Tavern/ Bell Street Global, Joseph Wiltz Agent

2. Farmhouse Madeline Island, Lauren Schuppe Agent

3. The Pub on Madeline Island Inc., Jennifer LeMere Agent

4. On the Edge Inc./ Café Seiche, Chris Wolfe Agent

5. Middle Road Literary/ Arts Society Inc./ Tom's Burned Down Café, Kirsten

Pedersen Agent

Motion to approve, J. Carlson/ S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried

F. "Class C" Wine License

1. Farmhouse Madeline Island, Lauren Schuppe Agent

Motion to approve, S. Brenna/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

G. Temporary Class "B" License

1. Madeline Island Marathon Inc. May 21, 2022

Motion to approve, S. Brenna/ M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

H. Cigarette and Tobacco License

1. L & D Trading Post/ Lori's Store

2. Middle Road Literary/ Arts Society Inc./ Tom's Burned Down Café

Motion to approve, S. Brenna/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

I. Non-intoxicating Beverage License

1. Adventure Vacations Inc.

2. Bell Street Tavern/ Bell Street Global

3. Birds Nest

4. Farmhouse Madeline Island

5. L & D Trading Post/ Lori's Store

6. Mission Hill/ La Pointe Provisions

7. The Pub on Madeline Island Inc.

8. On the Edge Inc./ Café Seiche

9. Middle Road Literary/ Arts Society Inc./ Tom's Burned Down Café

Motion to approve, S. Brenna/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

J. Operator's Licenses

1. Lauren Butaux

2. Kye Castillo

3. Ricky Edwards

4. Roberta Pallas

5. Jessica Williams

Motion to approve, S. Brenna/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

**XI. Lawsuits & Legal Issues**

A. William Defoe vs. Town of La Pointe, Case No. 19CV57: Nothing

B. Judgment on Michael Mattingly Properties 014-00208-0600 and 014-00208-0300:

Nothing at this time.

**XII. New Agenda Items for Future Meetings:** Big Arns Rd/ Brians Rd Special Assessment final resolution. Special Town Board meeting June 24, 2021 at 9:00am to hire part time police officer.

**XIII. Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn, S. Brenna/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion carried. Adjourned at 7:05pm.

Submitted by Micaela Montagne, Town Clerk.

Approved with a name correction in public present. July 13, 2021. M. Montagne, Town Clerk.