

TOWN OF LA POINTE
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY AUGUST 24, 2021
5:30 PM AT TOWN HALL
Approved Minutes

Town Board Members Present via telephone: 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, Elected Clerk Micaela Montagne

Public Present: Charley Brummer, Paul Brummer

Called to Order: 5:30pm

I. Public Comment A*: None.

II. Administrative Reports

A. Town Administrator's Report: Report prepared and presented by Michael Kuchta placed on file by Unanimous Consent. Discussion on possibly revisiting applying for a grant through Enbridge.

III. Public Works

A. Roads, Dock, Harbor: Nothing.

B. Parks

1. Rec Center Bathroom Renovations: Discuss Bid and Funding Sources: The public works department is working on what may be change orders with Angelo Luppino to reduce costs where the Town staff can do some work. The figures are not in yet. Public Works Director Ben Schram will send a letter to the Chamber of Commerce to request funding donations to offset costs.

2. Increase of 2021 Hours for Camp Host #2: Motion to approve an additional 120 hours for the Camp Host #2 (total of 720 hours) through September 9, 2021, S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

C. Materials Recovery Facility (MRF)

1. Clean Sweep Happening September 1, 2021

IV. Committees

A. Planning and Zoning

1. Information on Public Discussions Held 8/12/21, 8/17/21 & 8/21/21: Discussions related to junk were held, more information to come from the Town Plan Commission.

B. Winter Transportation Committee

1. Appoint Town Board Representative to Committee for Term ending 9/9/2024: Motion to reappoint Glenn Carlson as the Town Board Representative for the Winter Transportation Committee, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

C. Affordable Housing Committee

1. Appoint Members to Committee for a Two-Year Terms Ending 8/31/2023: Motion to appoint Gloria Fennell, Ken Myhre, James Peters and Katie Sanders to the committee for terms ending 8/31/2023, J. Carlson/ S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

V. Town Hall Administration

A. Budget Summary Report: Noted that the Parks Department is doing well, and though MRF is still operating at a loss, the revenues are up. Motion to approve the report dated 8/18/2021, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. Grant Updates: None.

C. Discussion about Head Tax/ Landing Fee Options: Administrator M. Kuchta is researching if the Town has the authority to charge for people or vehicles coming to the Island by ferry. There have been some discussions with the Towns Association, and he now needs to contact the attorney on options. Discussion on creating legislation for this as well as other ways to offset costs created by visitors.

VI. Alternative Claims: Motion to approve Alternative Claims for July 2021 in the amounts of \$244,066.16, \$59,098.81, and \$11,733.14 for the Library, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VII. Treasurer's Report: Motion to table, J. Carlson/ S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VIII. Minutes

A. Regular Town Board Meeting August 10, 2021: Motion to approve, J. Carlson/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

IX. Emergency Services

A. Updates on Construction of Emergency Services Building (ESB): Nothing.

B. Final Payment to Nelson Construction 2019 Contract for ESB: Motion to approve the payment of \$8,422.10 which will close out this contract for Nelson Construction for the ESB, A. Baxter/ S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

C. Final Payment to Nelson Construction 2020 Contract for ESB: Motion to approve the payment of \$17,506.58 which will close out this Nelson Construction contract for the ESB, A. Baxter/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

X. Public Comment B:** Charley Brummer commented on budgets, expenditures and revenues of Big Bay Town Park and MRF.

Paul Brummer thanked the Town Board for looking into a head tax/ landing fee, with the possibility of legislation.

XI. Lawsuits & Legal Issues

A. William Defoe vs. Town of La Pointe, Case No. 19CV57

The Town Board may go into closed session during the meeting for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved in accordance with to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 (1)(g). After the completion of the closed session, the Board will come back into open session to act upon the discussion in the closed session or otherwise complete the business of the meeting before adjourning.

Motion to go into closed session, S. Brenna/ J. Carlson, All 5 Ayes by Roll Call, Motion Carried. 6:15pm.

Motion to return to open session, S. Brenna/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. 6:27pm. No action.

B. Judgment on Michael Mattingly Properties 014-00208-0600 and 014-00208-0300: Nothing.

XII. New Agenda Items for Future Meetings: Rec Center Bathrooms, Treasurer's report. Motion to revisit and have the Enbridge grant application back on the agenda, J. Carlson/ M. Anderson, 2 Ayes (J. Carlson, M. Anderson), 3 Nays (A. Baxter, S. Brenna, G. Carlson), Motion fails.

XIII. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. Adjourned at 6:34pm.

Submitted by Micaela Montagne, Town Clerk.

Approved as submitted September 14, 2021. M. Montagne, Town Clerk.