

**TOWN OF LA POINTE**  
**REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING**  
**TUESDAY JANUARY 25, 2022**  
**5:00 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, Elected Clerk Micaela Montagne  
**Called to Order:** 5:00pm

**I. Public Comment A\*:** None.

**II. Administrative Reports**

A. Town Administrator's Report: Report prepared and presented by Michael Kuchta dated January 7 -20, 2022 placed on file by Unanimous Consent.

**III. Public Works**

A. Roads, Dock, Harbor: Nothing  
B. Parks

1. Change Order #4 with Angelo Luppino for Rec Center Remodel- Reimbursement for Building Permit: The Town paid for the permit, but it was in the contract. Motion to approve, S. Brenna/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. Discussion on finding out status of electrical panel.

**IV. Committees**

A. Planning and Zoning

1. Plat Review of Hartzell Expandable Condominium "Expandable Condominium" Parcel. 014-00206-2001 Abbreviated Description: Acres: 70.000 SW1/4 E OF MONDAMIN TRAIL DESC IN DOC #349992 SEC. 32 T50N R3W LAND CONTRACT: Motion to table as not all the requested information has come in yet, J. Carlson/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. Affordable Housing Advisory Committee

1. Request that the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee be utilized in formation of the housing component of the Town's Comprehensive Plan: Motion to table by John Carlson because language of 'workforce housing' by committee, no second, Motion Fails. Discussion that the language use workforce is the same as affordable housing and does not mean employee housing. Motion to refer this to this agenda item to the Comprehensive Plan steering Committee, S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
2. Request that the Town commits to affordable housing by supporting map changes, land donations, and other mechanisms to make it possible to build affordable housing on the island: Motion to also steer this to the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee for consideration, S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 4 Ayes, 1 Nay (J. Carlson), Motion Carried.
3. Grant Applications to Apostle Islands Area Community Fund: The grants will

be under \$5000 and do not need Town Board approval to submit the applications. Motion to table indefinitely, J. Carlson/ M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

C. Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee

1. Grant Applications to Apostle Islands Area Community Fund: Motion to approve the applications for two \$5000 grants (Michael Madeline Island Fund and Apostle Island Area Community Fund), J. Carlson/ M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

**V. Town Hall Administration**

- A. Budget Summary Report: Motion to accept the report for December 2021, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- B. Grant Updates: only what was in the Town Administrators report.
- C. Covid Protocols: Includes policies for Town employees and compensated volunteers to maintain a safe workplace and reduce the chances of Town employees or volunteers infecting co-workers or members of the public as well as testing and compensation policies. Lengthy discussion on adding and modifying some language to align with CDC guidelines as well as supplying or paying for testing and compensating employees and compensated volunteers for time missed if isolating is necessary. Motion to table to see changes prior to approval, J. Carlson/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- D. Resolution 2022-0125: Covid-19 Precautions for Town Government Operations: the current resolution will expire mid-February. This replacement is similar with the added language of adopting the Covid Protocols/ policy in the previous agenda item. This continues to allow for members of boards and committees to meet remotely as well as process vouchers with the alternative claims process. Motion to table (to incorporate the policies in the previous agenda item), S. Brenna/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- E. Town Board Meetings: In Person vs. Remote: meetings will continue to be remote.

**VI. Alternative Claims:** Motion to approve Alternative Claims for December 2021 in the amounts of \$184,192.45, \$52,684.81 and \$12,632.74 for the Library, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

**VII. Treasurer's Report:** Motion to approve the Treasurer's Cash Summary Report for December 31, 2021 showing a total of \$3,665,300.25, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

**VIII. Minutes**

- A. Regular Town Board Meeting January 11, 2022
- B. Special Town Board Meeting January 17, 2022  
Motion to approve both minutes as presented, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

Motion to move agenda item IX. A. 1 to after XI. B., S. Brenna/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

## **IX. Emergency Services**

- B. Updates on the Construction of the Emergency Services Building: Administrator Michael Kuchta has been in communication and agreement with Wendel on items that need to be fixed under warranty. Wendel is working on coordinating sub-contractors to come and do the work.

## **X. Public Comment B\*\*:** None.

## **XI. Lawsuits & Legal Issues**

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

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

Motion to go into closed session to discuss items XI. B and IX. A. 1., J. Carlson/ S. Brenna, 5 Ayes by roll call vote, Motion Carried. 6:03pm.

## **IX. Emergency Services**

- A. Police Department

1. Ashland County Law Enforcement Agreement

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Motion to return to open session, S. Brenna/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. 6:43. No action on either item.

**XII. New Agenda Items for Future Meetings:** Hartzell plat map, Covid policies and Covid operations resolution. The covid items will be on a Special Town Board meeting agenda on January 28, 2022 at 5:00pm. Other future agenda items include scheduling workshops with the fire department and the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee, and there will be a report on the Ferry Line and the 2022 schedule from M. Kuchta.

**XIII. Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. Adjourned at 6:52pm.

Submitted by Micaela Montagne, Town Clerk.

Approved as submitted February 8, 2022. M. Montagne, Town Clerk.