

**TOWN OF LA POINTE**  
**REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING**  
**TUESDAY FEBRUARY 22, 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 (via telephone)

**Public Present:** Mary McPhetridge

**Called to Order:** 5:00pm

**I. Public Comment A\*:** John Carlson commented his disappointment with Angelo Luppino because of issues with the Rec Center bathroom remodel.

**II. Administrative Reports**

A. Town Administrator's Report: Brief discussion on the Fire Numbers project; if other municipalities in Ashland County have done theirs, and if there was grant money involved. Report prepared and presented by Michael Kuchta placed on file by unanimous Consent.

**III. Public Works**

- A. Roads, Dock, Harbor: Nothing at this time.
- B. Parks: No updates

**IV. Committees**

- A. Planning and Zoning: Nothing.
- B. Affordable Housing Advisory Committee
  - 1. Resignation of Member: Motion to accept the resignation of Gloria Fennell and thank her for her work, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

**V. Town Hall Administration**

- A. Budget Summary Report: Question on why the zoning expenditures are higher than last year. Motion to approve the Budget Summary Report dated 2/11/2022, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- B. Grant Updates: IN the Town Administrators Report
- C. Budget Amendment #2022-01: Motion to adopt the Budget Amendment, J. Carlson/ M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- D. Engagement Letter Agreement with Baker Tilly for 2021 Audit: Motion to approve as presented, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- E. 2022-2023 Lease Agreement Between the Town and St. John's United Church of Christ for the Island Closet: This is a two-year lease for 4/25/22 – 10/17/22 and 4/25/23 – 10/17/23. There were two changes to the draft, that there are 10 parking spaces and Rachel Bauman's name was misspelled. Motion to approve the lease

for the two years, as long as the 10 parking spaces does not cost the Town money.  
S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

- F. Special Event Permit for In-Line Skate Marathon June 18, 2022: Motion to approve, M. Anderson/ A. Baxter. Discussion on the Island not providing EMTs this year, the Ashland Chamber of Commerce will have a triage tent as well as EMT(s) from the mainland to assist. Vote on the motion to approve the permit, 4 Ayes, 1 Nay (J. Carlson), Motion Carried.

**VI. Alternative Claims:** Motion to approve Alternative Claims for January 2022 in the amounts of \$1,015,892.76, \$152,296.27, and \$1,078.93 for the Library, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

**VII. Treasurer's Report:** Motion to approve the Treasurer's report dated February 12, 2022, showing a total of \$5,562,757.56, J. Carlson/ M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

### **VIII. Minutes**

- A. Regular Town Board Meeting February 8, 2022  
B. Special Town Board Meeting February 16, 2022  
Motion to approve both minutes as presented, J. Carlson/ S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

### **IX. Emergency Services**

- A. Police Department  
1. Ashland County Law Enforcement Agreement: The Ashland County Board has not yet had its final vote on the matter. Discussion on waiting to have a public discussion on the matter until Ashland County has made its decision as well as having a better idea of what they will budget for La Pointe Police in the 2023 budget.
- B. Fire Department  
1. Request for Proposals for a New Fire Engine: Motion to approve giving the Fire Department permission to draft a Request for Proposals to build a new main fire engine, S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- C. Updates on the Construction of the Emergency Services Building: Again, waiting for final completion of the punch list prior to the warranty period (ends 3/31/22). The Town Board wants extensions on the warranty in writing as some may not be able to be fulfilled due to transportation issues this winter.

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

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

- 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: No Updates

**XII. New Agenda Items for Future Meetings:** Angelo Luppino information and change order for Rec Center bathroom remodel, Ashland County Law Enforcement Agreement updates and public discussion. Regular Town Board Meetings will be at 5:30pm again.

**XIII. Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. Adjourned at 5:45pm.

Submitted by Micaela Montagne, Town Clerk.

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