

TOWN OF LA POINTE
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY MAY 10, 2022
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, Elected Clerk Micaela Montagne
Public Present: Charley Brummer, Mike Starck, Riley Kieser, Gip Matthews, Cedar Shemke, Alex Nelson, Marnie Myhre, Ken Myhre, Susan Garetz, Liz Brown, Jim Hansen
Called to Order: 5:30pm

I. Public Comment A*: Clerk Montagne read a letter in support of the sidewalk from Jim Peters. Cindy Dalzell, Alex Nelson, Susan Garetz, Riley Kieser, Cedar Shemke, Jim Hansen, Gip Matthews, Liz Brown all commented in favor of the sidewalk. Mike Starck questioned if the Town has worked with the County on who owns what at the sidewalk corner. Aimée Baxter had a comment from Meg Brown that a sidewalk on Middle Road would be a better use of the money.

II. Administrative Reports

- A. Town Administrator's Report: Report prepared and presented by Michael Kuchta with discussion on the definition of workforce housing as well as looking into options for employee benefits during budget season.
 - B. Public Works Director's Report: Report prepared by Ben Schram for April 2022
 - C. MRF Supervisor's Report: Report prepared by Marty Curry for April 2022
 - D. Airport Manager's Report & Checklist: Report for April prepared by Paul Wilharm
 - E. Planning and Zoning Administrator's Report: Report prepared by Michael Kuchta
 - F. Accounting Administrator's Report: Report prepared by Barb Nelson
 - G. Police Chief's Report: Report for April 2022 prepared by William Defoe
 - H. Fire Chief's Report: Report for April 2022 prepared by Rick Reichkitzer
 - I. Ambulance Director's Report: April 2022 Report prepared by Cindy Dalzell
- All reports placed on file by Unanimous Consent.

III. Public Works

- A. Roads, Dock and Harbor
 - 1. Sidewalk (Corner of Main Street and Big Bay Road): A. Baxter reported that the adjacent property owner is now willing to include the sidewalk on his property so that the sidewalk can go around the corner and continue to Whitefish Street if the easement is changed to accommodate the building. Motion to approve moving forward with the sidewalk project pending getting easements from both property owners, S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
 - 2. Credit Card Limit Increase for Peter Wiggins: Motion to approve the credit

card limit increase to \$5000 for Peter Wiggins, Foreman, S. Brenna/ M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. Parks: Nothing

C. Greenwood Cemetery

1. Sextons Report: No discussion

IV. Committees

A. Planning and Zoning

1. Conditional Use Permit Application for Kenneth and Margaret Myhre, Parcel #014-00119-0400, located at 900 Big Bay Road, Town of La Pointe, WI: This is for a yurt to have yoga and related classes on the property, 1000 feet from the shore. The Town Plan Commission made a recommendation to deny the permit because the postings included the language of that it would be a 'home occupation' and they believed that this would fall into that category, it would be a 'home business'. Motion to accept the TPC's recommendation to deny the permit as a 'home occupation' CUP, M. Anderson/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. Motion to approve a 'home business' Conditional Use Permit with the condition that the CUP does not sell with the property (and the building remains 1000ft from shore), M. Anderson/ S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee

1. Contract with Northland College for Public Participation Plan: Motion to approve the contract, S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
2. Grant Agreement with Apostle Islands Area Community Fund, \$5,000: Motion to approve the grant agreement, S. Brenna/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
3. Grant Agreement with Michael Madeline Island Fund, \$1,000: Motion to approve the grant agreement, A. Baxter/ S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

C. Affordable Housing Advisory Committee

1. Grant Agreement with Apostle Islands Area Community Fund, \$4,500: Motion to approve the grant agreement, A. Baxter/ S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

V. Town Hall Administration

A. Grant Updates: None

B. Revisions to Town Ordinance Chapter 40, Article IV. Accommodations Tax, Section 40-10 Tax Imposed; Distribution: Motion to approve the amendments that comply with State statutes, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

C. Attachment 'C' to 2022 Compensation Resolution #2021-1214A: Motion to approve, J. Carlson/ M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

D. Resolution #2022-0510: Appoint Alternate Members for Board of Review: Motion to approve, S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

E. Special Event Permit: Madeline Island Museum, Colonel Woods Avenue Street Closure on May 13, 2022: Motion to approve, M. Anderson/ S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VI. Vouchers: Motion to approve vouchers in the amount of \$63,683.24, M. Anderson/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VII. Minutes

- A. Regular Town Board Meeting April 26, 2022
- B. Special Town Board Meeting April 27, 2022: Motion to approve both sets of minutes, S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 4 Ayes, 1 Abstain (J. Carlson), Motion Carried.

VIII. Emergency Services

- A. Police Department
 - 1. Ashland County Law Enforcement Agreement:
- B. Updates on Construction of Emergency Services Building: Town Chair and Administration met with County Sherriff and others regarding the agreement. They are hoping to come up with a new agreement this summer. Mike Starck as the County Board representative will discuss with the County Board. There will be a Special Town Board Meeting with public discussion on June 29, 2022.

IX. Public Comment B:** None.

X. Liquor & Operators' Licenses

- A. Combination "Class A" Liquor License and Class "A" Fermented Malt Beverage License
 - 1. Madeline Island Yacht Club, Mazie Ashe Agent (6/1/2022- 6/30/2022): Motion to approve, M. Anderson/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- B. Discussion of Creating a Continuation of Business Ordinance Regarding "Class B" Alcohol Licenses: Discussion to hold off for now on sending any letters to establishments as many are still trying to get back to a new normal after Covid.

XI. Lawsuits & Legal Issues

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

XII. New Agenda Items for Future Meetings: Special Town Board meeting on Friday 5/13/2022 at 5:00 for dust abatement.

XIII. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn, S. Brenna/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. Adjourned at 6:18pm.

Submitted by Micaela Montagne, Town Clerk.

Approved as submitted May 24, 2022. M. Montagne, Town Clerk.