

TOWN OF LA POINTE
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY NOVEMBER 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, MRF Supervisor Martin Curry, Elected Clerk Micaela Montagne

Public Present: Charley Brummer

Called to Order: 5:30pm

I. Public Comment A*: None

II. Administrative Reports

- A. Town Administrator's Report: prepared by Michael Kuchta
- B. Public Works Director's Report: Prepared by Ben Schram
- C. MRF Supervisor's Report: Prepared by Martin Curry
- D. Airport Manager's Report & Checklist: Prepared by Paul Wilharm
- E. Planning and Zoning Administrator's Report: Prepared by Ed Schaffer
- F. Accounting Administrator's Report: Prepared by Barb Nelson
- G. Police Chief's Report: prepared by William Defoe
- H. Fire Chief's Report: None.
- I. Ambulance Director's Report: Prepared by Cindy Dalzell

Reports for October 2022 placed on file by Unanimous Consent.

III. Public Works

- A. Roads, Dock: Nothing to report
- B. Parks: Nothing to report.
- C. Materials Recovery Facility (MRF)
 - 1. 2022 Recycling Excellence Award for Overall Program: Martin Curry informed the Board of the award, and about some ideas for the future at the MRF.
 - 2. Contract with Gary Beeksma for Removal of Refrigerant: Motion to table, S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

IV. Committees

- A. Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee: The committee would like a workshop with the Town Board and the Town Plan Commission, possibly at the Emergency Services Building, on December 15, 2022 at 4:00pm.

V. Town Hall Administration

- A. Engagement Letter with Baker Tilly for Audit for Year Ending 12/31/2022: Motion to approve, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- B. Regular Town Board Meeting Start Time During Winter: Motion to have the meetings

- start at 5:00pm through March, M. Anderson/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- C. 2023 Budget Considerations: After adjustments from the last meeting there is still a \$47,000 deficit. TB okay with adding it to borrowing for the fire truck. Next budget meeting will be on November 17, 2022, at 4:00pm to approve and consider the resolutions affecting the levy.
 - D. Resolution #2022-1110: Proposing to Exceed Tax Levy Limit- 2022 Tax Levy, Payable 2023: Motion to table items D, E, and F until the November 17, 2022, meeting, S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
 - E. Resolution #2022-1110A: Resolution of Town Board to Use Previous Years Unused Tax Levy: tabled (see above).
 - F. Resolution #2022-1110B: Resolution to transfer \$135,000 from County levy to Town levy as a result of County's transfer of protective police services to La Pointe in 2023: tabled (see above).
 - G. Old Town Hall/ Meeting Room Upgrades: Motion to move forward with the heat and AV system budgeted in 2023 as supplies may take a while, A. Baxter/ S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VI. Vouchers: Motion to approve vouchers in the amount of \$39,974.24, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VII. Minutes

- A. Special Town Board Meeting October 24, 2022
- B. Regular Town Board Meeting October 25, 2022
- C. Special Town Board Meeting November 1, 2022
- D. Special Town Board Meeting November 3, 2022
- E. Special Town Board Meeting November 7, 2022

Motion to approve all minutes as submitted, M. Anderson/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VIII. Emergency Services

A. Police Department

- 1. Hire Part Time Officer: Motion to hire Kelly Schultz at \$23.24/ hour, hours not to exceed 1872 per year with a December 1, 2022 start date depending on passing all requirements and there will be a one year probation, A. Baxter/ S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.
- 2. Ashland County Law Enforcement Agreement: No updates, working with the Department of Revenue on a levy solution.

D. Updates on Construction and Warranty Work at the Emergency Services Building: No updates, the check from Wendel for compressor has not been received.

IX. Public Comment B:** None.

X. Liquor & Operators' Licenses

A. Operator/ Bartender's Licenses

- 1. Alex Noha
- 2. Christopher Rowson
- 3. Erin Maday:

Motion to approve all three, S. Brenna/ A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

XI. Lawsuits & Legal Issues: Nothing.

XII. New Agenda Items for Future Meetings: refrigerant contract.

XIII. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn, S. Brenna/ J. Carlson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. Adjourned at 6:05pm.

Submitted by Micaela Montagne, Town Clerk.

Approved as corrected (number of hours in item VIII. A. 1. Is 1872 not 18872) November 22, 2022. M. Montagne, Town Clerk.