

Town of La Pointe
Winter Transportation Committee
Wednesday, August 18, 2021
9:00 a.m. at Town Hall via Telephone Conference
Minutes

Members present: Glenn Carlson, Town Board Supervisor
Gary Russell, Manager, Madeline Island Ferry Line, Inc.; Vice-Chair
Joel Shilman, Facilities Manager, Bayfield School District
Beth Paap, District Administrator, Bayfield School District
Max Imholte, Citizen at Large

Ex officio present: Arnie Nelson, Windsled Transportation, Inc.

Town Staff present: Michael Kuchta, Town Administrator

1. Call to order/Roll Call

The Winter Transportation Committee (WTC) called to order by Gary Russell, Vice-Chair on Wednesday August 18, 2021. A quorum of the committee is present as shown by members listed above.

2. Minutes of the Following Meetings to be Considered for Approval:

A. April 5, 2021

Motion by Beth to approve the April 5, 2021 WTC minutes as presented, second by Max, all ayes. Motion Carried.

3. Welcome new Town Board Representative – Glenn Carlson

Welcome Glenn.

4. Election of Chair/Vice-Chair

Gary Russell recommends Glenn Carlson as Chair.

Motion by Joel to appoint Glenn Carlson as Chair, second by Beth, no opposition by Glenn, all ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Glenn to appoint Gary Russell as Vice-Chair, second by Joel, all ayes. Motion Carried.

5. Discussion/review of windsled repairs at Lake Assault Boats

- Arnie reported he took nose wheels from both new windsleds to Lake Assault to be repaired (repair keyway and steering cylinder on sled #1 and remove and replace shear key on sled #2). This was a result of the housing motor allowing the wheel to move too fast and then stop abruptly. Arnie does have the wheels back, but they are not hooked up.
- Arnie explained that the wheels and hydraulics were not built as requested. The original warranty was for 1 year and the boats ran all winter that season so the windsleds weren't used. Lake Assault extended the warranty for 1 year but that expired before the windsleds ran in 2021.

- Max stated we still do not know if this repair will fix the problem until it can be tested.

Motion by Gary to have Michael Kuchta, Town Administrator, write a letter to Chad DeMars at Lake Assault Boats offering to pay for the parts (\$1,908.52) for the wheel repairs and not the labor (\$1908.00), second by Joel, all in favor, all ayes. Motion Carried.

6. Discussion and/or Recommendation to the Town Board of voucher submitted

Same motion as in previous discussion.

Motion by Gary to have Michael Kuchta, Town Administrator, write a letter to Chad DeMars at Lake Assault Boats offering to pay for the parts (\$1,908.52) for the wheel repairs and not the labor (\$1908.00), second by Beth, all in favor, all ayes. Motion Carried.

Clerical Assistant note: it was decided after the meeting to have Michael wait to send a letter to Lake Assault until Arnie can install and test the wheels.

7. Schedule Next Meeting and Set Agenda.

Next meeting will be scheduled after wheels are installed on windsleds and tested.

8. Adjourn

Motion by Beth, second by Gary to adjourn, all ayes. Motion carried.

Minutes taken from a recording submitted by Dorgene Goetsch, Clerical Assistant.

Minutes approved as presented September 23, 2021. Dorgene Goetsch, Clerical Assistant