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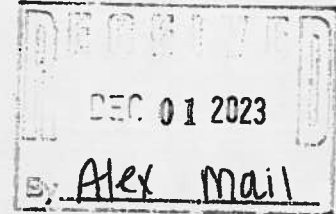


Romaine Robert Quinn

STATE SENATOR • 25TH SENATE DISTRICT

November 17, 2023

Micaela Montagne
Town of La Pointe
P.O. Box 270
La Pointe, WI 54850



Please share the following with all officials and board members in your municipality:

Dear Town of La Pointe leaders:

As you well know, local governments across our state have struggled to keep up with the rising costs of providing law enforcement, fire protection, EMS, transportation, and other basic services. That's why this year I successfully worked to advocate for a new shared revenue formula that would address the shortcomings of past years and give you a boost in funding.

This legislation sends more state aid to cities, villages, towns, and counties throughout the state without raising taxes. I am proud to say that every community in the 25th Senate District will see a guaranteed 20% increase next year, with many communities receiving even more.

Previously the Town of La Pointe received \$6,670 in shared revenue. Under the new plan, you will see an increase of \$37,228 (a 558% increase), bringing your **new total aid to \$43,897**. Going forward, this amount will be tied to increased revenues in the sales tax, thereby giving communities a stake in the economic activity they generate for the state.

Although this won't solve everything, I believe it is a positive step in the right direction. I hope you will find this funding helpful as you continue to carry out the necessary work that your residents expect.

I wish you continued success in serving your community. Please do not hesitate to reach out to my office if I can ever be of any assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Romaine Quinn".

Romaine Robert Quinn
State Senator
Wisconsin's 25th Senate District

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

To: Town Board

From: Michael Kuchta

DATES COVERED IN REPORT: Nov. 23-Dec. 8, 2023

1. Accomplished/Completed

- **DOR.gov.** Set up backup access to Town account; updated levy limit worksheet.
- **Insurance.** Met in person Nov. 27 with Amy Ralidak and Michelle Strauss of The Horton Group to finalize the Town's insurance package for 2024.

2. Coming Up

- **Special Town Meeting.** Wednesday Dec. 27, 5 p.m. Purpose: Purchase of real property from Madeline Island Ferry Line.

3. Town Board Agenda – Information/Comments

- See separate memo

4. Follow Up on Previous/Ongoing Projects

- **Ambulance fees.** Director Cindy Dalzell and I met Dec. 7 with the billing company Cvikota. The meeting addressed start-up issues so the Town can begin receiving payments for ambulance services. Changes include a new service rep at the billing company.
- **Building inspections.** Sent out RFP; consulted with Bayfield County about possibility of sharing inspector.
- **Managed forest lands.** Public Works crew, Harbor Commission president Michael Childers and I met Dec. 5 with Eli Ladwig (of 4 Seasons Forest Products in Hurley) and the DNR's Michael Mattison to learn about their attempts to log as many as 1,250 acres on Madeline Island that are past due in fulfilling their contracts as part of the DNR's managed forest program. The anticipated logging in 2024 would be a mix of clear-cutting with seed regeneration, single-tree selections, and thinning, primarily on the east end of the island. The challenge is profitably harvesting the wood despite the additional costs of removing it from the island. If that cannot be accomplished, the DNR will involuntarily withdraw the parcels from the program for noncompliance. Landowners will face substantial back taxes and fees – 80 percent of which would go to the Town.
- **Parks.** The Public Works crew installed a concrete sidewalk, making the Rec Center pavilion ADA accessible. Also, Nelson Surveying has staked the property line beyond the outfield fence, indicating where a dog park fence can be erected. Finally, the Public Works crew bid successfully to purchase used playground equipment from Chippewa Falls that will upgrade the equipment at Joni's Beach. They intend to dismantle the equipment and install it this week.
- **RV sanitary dump station.** David Lindsley (park manager at Big Bay State Park) and his supervisor, Robert Skalitzky, have received permission from the DNR to begin working out a new agreement with the Town and "preferred solution" to the impact the RV station on the sanitary district's wastewater treatment. We plan to meet in early January.

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- **Town meeting follow-up:**
 - **Polka Ball.** To date, the fundraiser collected \$36,686 and has paid \$4,103 in expenses. Net proceeds of \$32,583 are in a designated fund for a new communications repeater.
 - **Police overtime.** In 2023, the Town budgeted \$16,425 in police overtime wages, based on staffing of two full-time officers and two part-time officers. In response to staffing changes, the department incurred \$40,893 in overtime through November 2023, or \$24,468 more than budgeted. For 2024, the Town is budgeting \$35,589 in overtime wages for three full-time officers.

5. Grant Report

- **Energy Committee.** The police chief's concerns about the impact of ESB solar panels on emergency radio transmissions have been shared with the committee. The committee continues to research two potential grant opportunities through the state's Office of Energy Innovation: the Innovation Grant discussed previously, and a newly announced Rural Energy Startup Program. In addition, committee members are attending a meeting Dec. 13 to investigate including La Pointe an Ashland County application for federal funding to install solar panels and electric vehicle charging stations in county communities.

6. Lawsuits/Legal Issues

- **Ashland County.** The Board needs to decide whether to pursue a lawsuit in circuit court on the Sec. 893.80 claim that the county board rejected. The deadline for filing a lawsuit is Dec. 21.

7. Other Information

- **Christmas Eve holiday.** Dec. 24 falls on a Sunday; the preference of Town staff is to designate Tuesday Dec. 26 as the holiday instead. Town Hall will close that day.

November 2023 Public Works Report

Roads/Equipment

- On 11/2 Michael Haben backhauled 10 yards of salt from the County shop with the MRF Roll-off. Evan hauled 200 yards of sand over to the SRE building to make our annual 5% salt/sand mixture per the County Road Winter Maintenance Policy.
- The gaps along the steel cap on the north side of the dock were sealed with marine grade silicone, and the crew will continue to monitor any waves splashing through.
- On 11/9 two Ashland County Hwy. Dept. crew came over and accomplished some much-needed guardrail repairs, along with a few signpost and sign replacements.
- With warmer temps during the week of 11/13, the wing was taken off the grader and Pete spent multiple days out on the gravel roads, getting everything shaped up before the first real freeze. The crew patched a sandy sinkhole at the corner of North Shore Road/Cty H, and hauled gravel to Capser Road for repairs and grading.
- On 11/15 I attended the County's Town Road Improvement Committee meeting in Highbridge to lobby for the Town's LRIP TRIS (Town Road Improvement Supplemental) application. This application is available every two years, and was put together with groundwork from Pete and myself, assembled by Michael Kutcha, and reviewed by current County Highway Commissioner Matt Erickson and former CHC Emmer Shields. The proposed project focused solely on the rehabilitation of Mondamin Trail from the Penny Lane intersection to the South Shore Road intersection. This included culvert replacement, ditching, and repaving, with a projected cost at just over 1 million dollars. Overall, LaPointe was ranked 4th out of seven, which means our odds of receiving 50/50 State funding are low, but at least La Pointe is in the running. It is now in the hands of someone at the State level to decide. For the foreseeable future, the Roads crew will continue to patch the worst deteriorating areas and remove the insufficient subbase as needed. In addition, we hope to accomplish serious ditching and culvert replacement in the next few years regardless of the awarded outcome.

Parks

- The Rec Center had an ADA sidewalk connection installed from the parking spots alongside the road, to the bathrooms, and heading up to the pavilion.
- 11/20 was a nice calm day, so the crew hung lights on the gazebo and put up a holiday tree, as this is not a fun task when there are strong winds on the island dock.
- Dead tree removal will continue as needed at BBTP, as there are no snow plowing days in the future as this report is being typed.

Misc./Admin

- With the annual budget approval meeting scheduled for December 5th, I would like the written record to show that I asked the Town Board to consider setting aside \$100k for future gravel purchasing. This hasn't been done since 2008, and will likely include barging, trucking, and all associated costs. Gravel will be needed for future paving projects, not just the gravel road network. However, it was not feasible for 2024, and I hope 2025 will be different, as all costs will almost certainly be higher.

Respectfully submitted,
Ben Schram
Public Works Director

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Letters from MRFY - END SCENE

**Around the corner and around the bend,
The newest new year must finally end.
And in its place, is New Hope and New Days,
When we will meet at the MRF with MRFY smiles on our face.
It's been a fun year full of garbage and joys:
Aluminum and plastics from the girls and the boys,
Sweet stinkin' bean cans and beer cans and such,
Juicy juice things that no one will touch,
Too much cardboard and paper and bags,
Magazines and fliers and newspaper rags.
Somebodies brought some fish baggy stench
That makes Michael and I violently wretch.
These trailers and cars and trucks and machines
That we smashy smish smash to bring in the green.
Let's do it again, same time and same place,
When the weather is warmer and snow leaves no trace.
As we wind up December and this Holiday Cheer
From the MRFtastic Crew of Michael and I ...
Have a Happy, Freaking New Year!!**

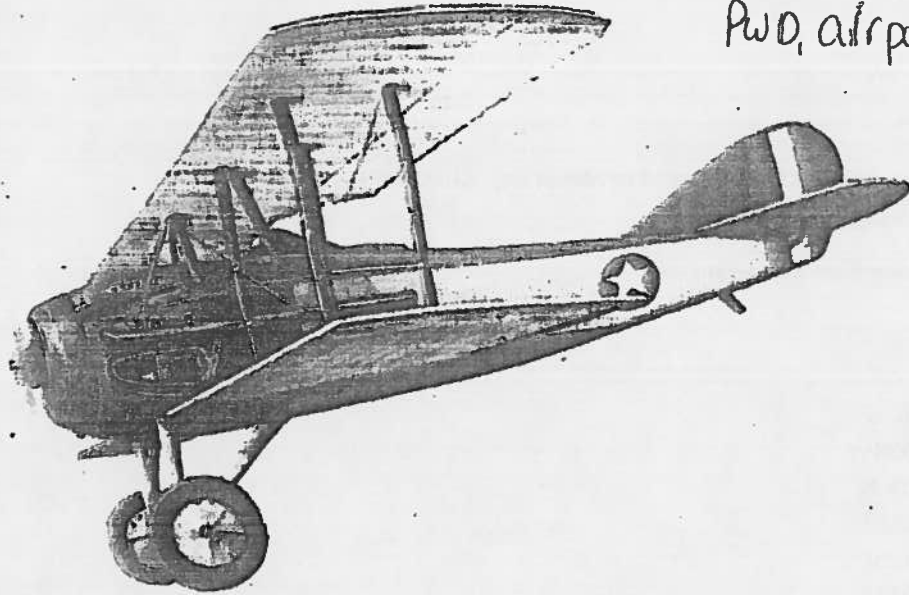
(We ARE actually working and not just writing poetry)

**Martin A. Curry
Recycling Supervisor**

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(5) TB, TA, AA Clerk,
PWO, airport, Public



Major Gilbert Field (4R5)

To: Town Board

From: Paul Wilharm

Date: 12/03/23

Re: Monthly report for November 2023

During the month of November our airport was issue free !

Attached are logs / checklists

Thanks !

Paul cover + (3)

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November 2023 Traffic count and revenue log / checklist
Drop box receipts \$ 0.00

The following filed flight plans :

11/03 N192AF
11/04 N200NW
11/13 N333LN
11/15 N868AT
11/18 N346JV
11/18 N192AF
11/23 N192AF
11/25 N271RG

For additional traffic see sign in sheet(s)

WELCOME TO 4RS

DATE	PILOT'S NAME	N-NUMBER	NUMBER ABOARD	BUSINESS/ PLEASURE	FLIGHT ORIGIN	CONTACT
11/2			2	P	KRGR	
11/4			2	P	ESV	
11/15			1	P	KHXF	
11/15			3	P	KFBL	
11/19			2	P	KFCM	
11/19			3	P	KMIC	
11/19			2	P	KSWW	
11/19			3	P	KCMX	
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11/23 Sign in (1)

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Available Reports

Civil Airport Coordination Report

Civil Airport NOTAM Report

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11/23 NOTAM

Zoning Report 11/30/2023

Routing: TB (5), TPC (5), Clerk (1), Assistant Clerk (1) Email Staff: (5)

ZONING REPORT 11/30/2023

Building/Land Use Permits

	2023		2022	
	Value	Number	Value	Number
County	\$7,400.00	33	\$10,185.00	36
Town	<u>\$14,987.50</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>\$23,454.00</u>	<u>77</u>
Total	\$22,387.50	106	\$33,639.00	113

Town Revenue (year to date)

Town Revenue (2022)

Permits	\$13,787.50	Permits	\$20,454.00
Variance	0	Variance	\$750.00
CSM	\$500.00	CSM	\$750.00
Special exception	\$750.00		
CUP	<u>0</u>	CUP	<u>\$1,500.00</u>
Total	\$14,987.50	Total	\$23,454.00

Short-Term Rental Permits

2023 (year to date)

2022 (year to date)

Source	Permits	Revenue	Permits	Revenue
Rentals by owner	77	\$13,825.00	71	\$12,900.00
Madeline Island Vacations	49	\$8,575.00	49	\$7,200.00
The Inn on Madeline Island	<u>29</u>	<u>\$5,075.00</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>\$4,650.00</u>
Total rental properties	155	\$27,475.00	149	\$24,750.00

All Short-Term Rentals are paid and processed.

Zoning Report 11/30/2023

Routing: TB (5), TPC (5), Clerk (1), Assistant Clerk (1) Email Staff: (5)

DATE	SANITARY PERMIT #	COUNTY #	TOWN PERMIT #	NAME	FIRE #	STREET	PARCEL #	TYPE	FEE	TOWN COUNTY FEE
10/31/2023	9237	9237	2023-68	Francis Altman	2635	Big Bay Road	00054-0900	Accessory Building	\$111.00	\$200.00
10/31/2023	9238	9238		Jim Peters	1186	Sunny Slope	00187-0704	Deck		\$175.00
11/7/2023			2023-69	Virginia Mielenz	499	Casper Trail	00004-0600	Driveway	\$125.00	
11/14/2023			2023-70	Gloria Fennel	1125	Big Bay Road	00117-0220	Driveway	\$75.00	
11/15/2023			2023-71	Anjenette Harper	3887	Chippewa Trail	00019-0340	Change of use	\$75.00	
11/15/2023	9239	9239	2023-72	Anjenette Harper	3887	Chippewa Trail	00019-0340	Dwelling	\$650.00	\$500.00
11/15/2023	9240	9240	2023-72	Anjenette Harper	3887	Chippewa Trail	00019-0340	Accessory Building	\$121.00	\$200.00
11/21/2023	56		2023-73	Dan Wiersgalla	365	Mondamin	00206-2173	Change of use	\$237.50	

I continue working with the Ashland County GIS department going over fire numbers. We hope to be completed by the first of the year.

I continue working with members of TPC on rewriting the Zoning Ordinance.

On 11/7/2023, I received a phone call from Stacia Amundson from NES Inc. She was wondering how she could get James Price to inspect a solar panel project they did on the island, an inspection that is required by Xcel Energy. She forwarded a string of emails in which it seems he was not inspecting the La Pointe project because he had a payment dispute with NES on a project elsewhere in WI. Her emails were consistently polite towards him; his responses were consistently hostile towards her. The emails made it seem Price was punishing an island property owner because of a payment dispute with someone else. After he never sent the information she was requesting, I did. When I called Price, he said he was the only official in the state authorized to inspect the project on Madeline Island. However, an official at Wisconsin DSPS told me that is not true. La Pointe ordinance does not require a permit for solar panels, so NES was free to hire any inspector it wanted. I informed Amundson of this. She hired someone else and got the inspection done.

Ed Schaffer

Submitted 11/29/2023

(5) TB, TA, AA, Clerk, Public

Internal Accounting Coordinator Report November 2023

12/1/2023

1. **Software:**

a. I met with Workhorse software engineer, Francisco, and the Town's IT guy, Will, in order to install Workhorse onto the Town Hall board room computer. Michael requested this so that we can have a meeting with department heads to train them on how to use Workhorse. They will be able to run reports on their budgets throughout the year.

2. **Grants:**

a. The Harbor Commission was able to receive \$200,000 in start-up cost reimbursement from the Governor's budget. I have been working at getting a list together of purchases to submit for reimbursement.

3. **Ehlers:**

a. Angie and I meet weekly to discuss details of the accounting in Workhorse. I always learn something new and find value in our phone calls. She is still working on the reconciling for the last couple of months. She helped do the Winter Transportation Committee transfer for the 2023-2024 season from the Town to WTC fund.

4. **Budget Season:**

a. Budget season is almost complete. Once this is done and the budget is approved, I will work with Michael to get the numbers into Workhorse for 2024.

5. **Miscellaneous:**

a. ~~It seems like the days go by very quickly!~~ There are constant invoices to process, misc. billings to do, emails to respond or send, etc. I am still trying to get into a routine, learn the nuances and all the ins and outs that this job entails. I am looking forward to the audit to learn more and understand how to do the job better, and more efficiently.

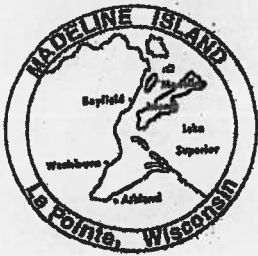
Respectfully submitted,

Lauren Burtaux

Internal Accounting Coordinator

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(5) STB, TA. AH Clerk, PD / PUBLIC
LA POINTE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MADELINE ISLAND
270 MAIN STREET
LA POINTE, WISCONSIN 54850

PHONE: (715) 747-6913
FAX: (715) 747-3096
police@townoflapointewi.gov

To: Town Board
From: William Defoe
Date: 12/4/2023
Re: Monthly Police Report for December

During the month October 2023, the La Pointe Police issued the following:

- 0 Parking Citations
- 4 Traffic Citations
- 0 Ordinance Citations
- 0 Arrests transported off island.
- 0 Arrests released to responsible parties.

December already, other than the ferry, the other thing on everyone's minds is will there or won't there be an ice road this year. It is not looking favorable with our mild fall. ~~Calls for service were way down for November. We usually have a few calls for service during hunting season that we did not get, that contributed to the low number.~~

Speaking of deer season, we received no calls for trespassing, and it appeared that no one was near the no shoot zone of the island. It also appeared that the number of hunters on the island seemed to have gone down. As far as the harvest is concerned, that too appeared to be down this year, even though some large deer were taken.

Karl Graduates the police academy on December 19, Sgt Rossberger will be heading down to attend and represent the department at his graduation ceremony. Once he graduates, he will be in a short field training before he goes on his own in January.

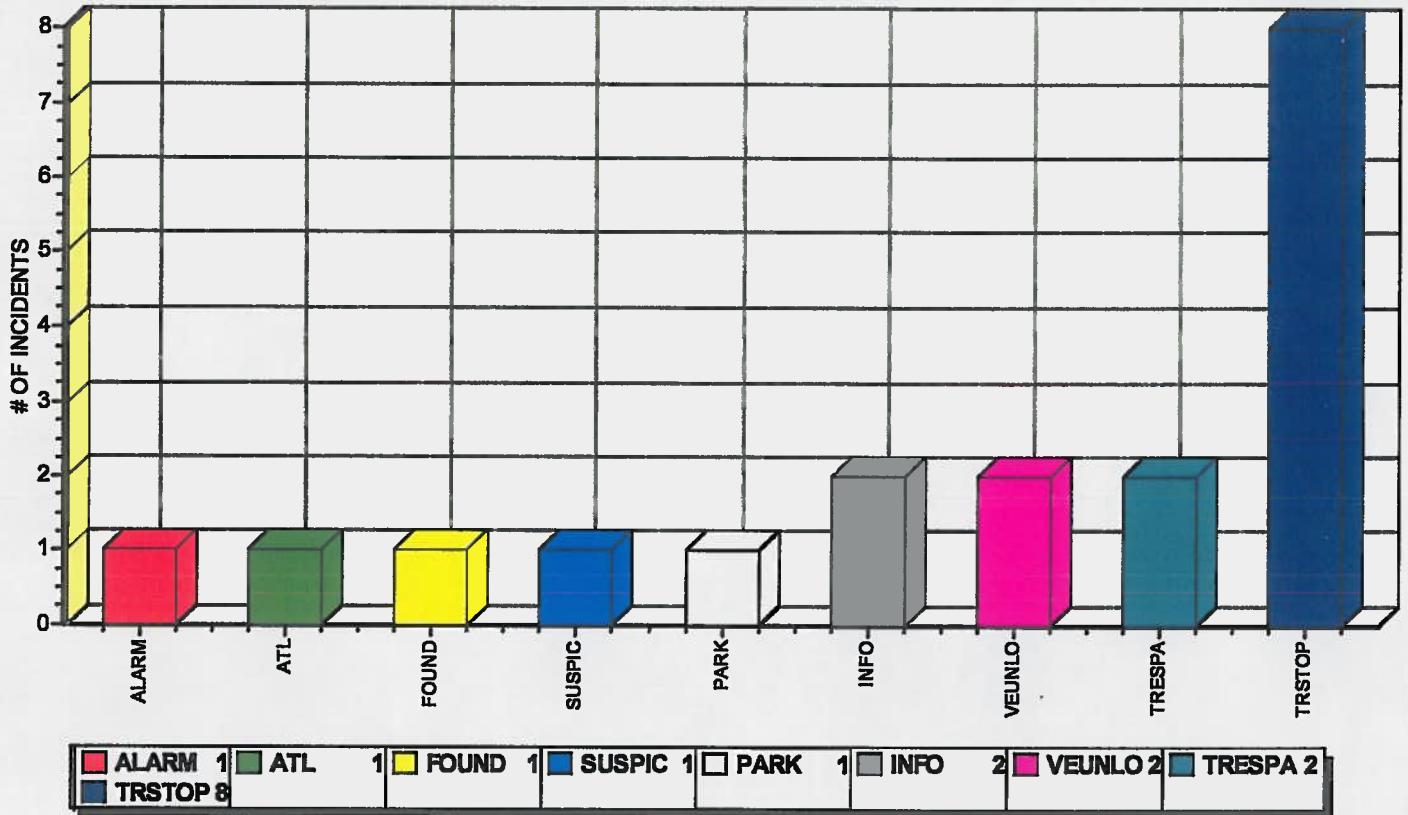
Calls that are going through dispatch are improving, however, I still received a call from a resident this past weekend that should have gone through dispatch instead of calling and leaving a message. When time is of the essence, dispatch is the only way to go. Even when officers are here and on patrol, phones do not work on the entire island. But the radio from dispatch does.

If there are any questions or wish to discuss things within the department, please feel free to come talk to me.

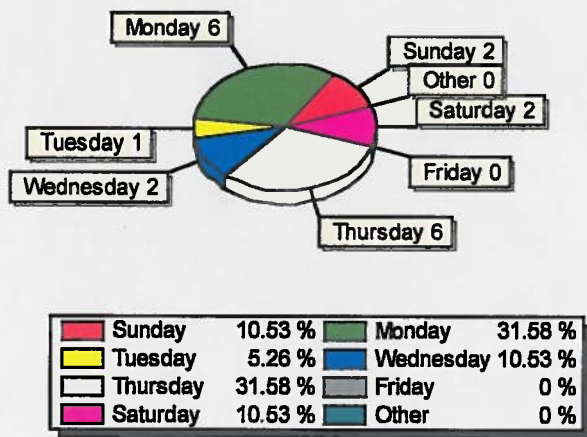
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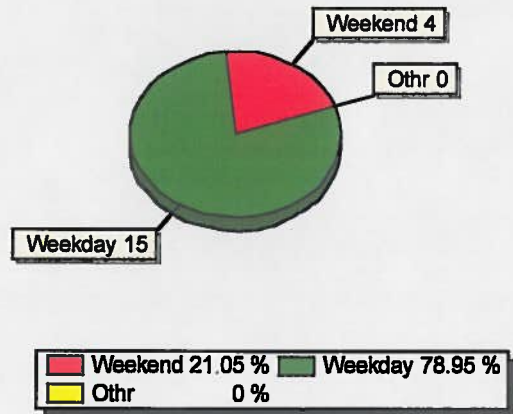
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By Day of Week

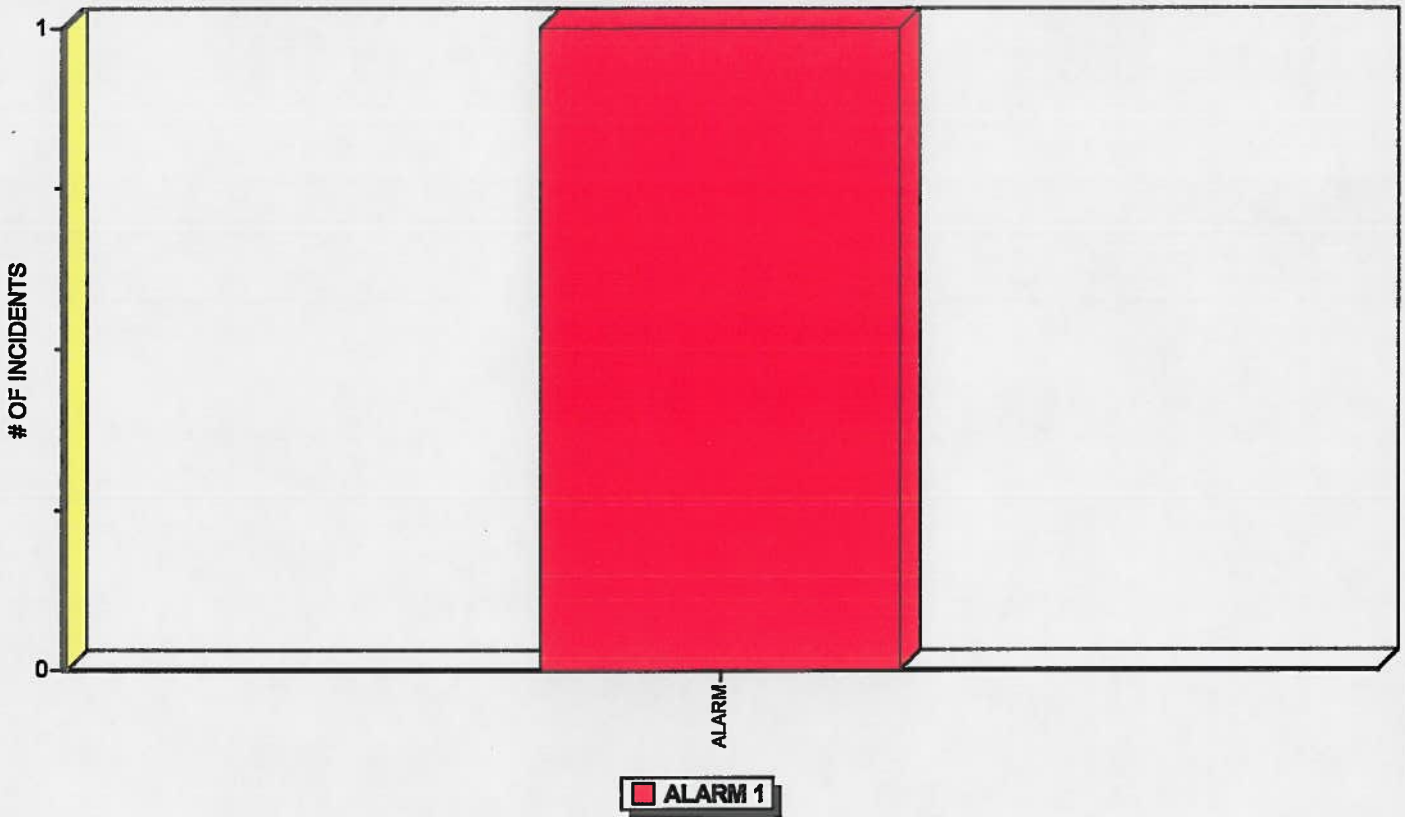


Weekday vs Weekend

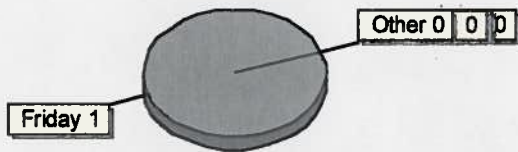


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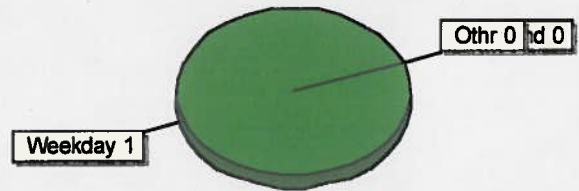


By Day of Week



Sunday	0 %	Monday	0 %
Tuesday	0 %	Wednesday	0 %
Thursday	0 %	Friday	100 %
Saturday	0 %	Other	0 %

Weekday vs Weekend



Weekend	0 %	Weekday	100 %
Othr	0 %		

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Madeline Island Ambulance Service Report

December 7, 2023

We had only one run in November. It is nice to have a break from the seasonal rush. The one run was a transport to Ashland. She was stabilized and then a life flight to Duluth was called. So far, our total run number for the year is 72. It is a good time of year to catch up on paperwork and to clean rigs and organize our inventory. My inventory system that I started will be a good project to finish this winter.

Clint has left our billing system company. Michael and I are meeting with our new rep to meet and get information to get this system up and running in a better fashion. I know Clint had some health issues and so was behind this fall with our work.

Sarah has purchased new tires for our larger rig. They should help us with the winter driving ahead. They had a bit of a problem in the beginning, but it has been resolved by the town crew.

We are starting our EKG training. I am looking for guidance from our medical director. He does have a protocol in place for the EMT basic level.

I apologize to the town board for being out of town for the town budget meeting. This is a short report, but I will try to keep the board posted with any changes. Please have a lovely and safe Holiday Season.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia Dalzell, Madeline Island Ambulance Service

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===== TOWN OF LA POINTE =====

**Resolution #2023-1212
ELECTED OFFICIALS' SALARIES**

The Powers of Town Meetings allow the Electors, under Wisconsin State Statute 60.32, "the town meeting shall establish the compensation for elective town offices". These actions for annual salary (paid monthly) compensation for the Town of LaPointe's elected officials are as follows. Town meeting dates when the compensation was passed are in ().

Town Board Chairman	\$650.00 month	(04/13/1993)
Town Board Supervisors	\$400.00 month	(04/13/1993)
	\$480.00 month	(04/18/2023)
	<i>effective term beginning 04/2024 (2 positions only in 2024)</i>	
Town Clerk	\$1,000.00 month	(12/09/1996)
	\$1,500.00 month	(04/09/2002)
	<i>-effective term beginning 4/8/03</i>	
	\$1,700.00 month	(04/14/2009)
	<i>-effective term beginning 04/2011</i>	
	\$1,870.00 month	(04/20/2021)
	<i>-effective term beginning 04/2023</i>	
Town Treasurer	\$ 575.00 month	(05/28/1992)
	\$ 825.00 month	(04/09/2002)
	<i>-effective term beginning 4/8/03</i>	
	\$ 907.50 month	(04/20/2021)
	<i>-effective term beginning 04/2023</i>	

Dated this 12th day of December 2023.

Attest:

Glenn Carlson, Chairman

Alexandra Smith, Town Clerk

Michael Anderson, Supervisor

Posted:

Aimée Baxter, Supervisor

Susan Brenna, Supervisor

Samantha Dobson, Supervisor

This resolution is simply an affirmation of Town Elector Motions.

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**TOWN OF LA POINTE
RESOLUTION #2023-1212 B
APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION INSPECTORS**

Pursuant to §7.30(4) of the Wisconsin State Statutes, the Chair of the Town of La Pointe nominates the following electors of the Town of La Pointe to be appointed as Election Inspectors and Chief Inspectors for a two-year term ending December 31, 2025.

Chief Election Inspectors

Aimee Baxter
Terryn Hardie
Christopher Rowson*

Election Inspectors

Seri Demorest
Nancy Römundstad
Christopher Rowson
Nora Taylor
Chris Wolfe
Kathy Wroblewski
Lilah Guertin
Susan Widmar

DRAFT

Glenn Carlson, Chair

Date Passed

Michael Anderson, Supervisor

Clerk Attest

Aimée Baxter, Supervisor

Date Posted

Sue Brenna, Supervisor

John Carlson, Supervisor

**TOWN OF LAPOINTE
RESOLUTION #2023-1212 C
A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2024 FEE SCHEDULE**

THE TOWN OF LA POINTE RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The 2024 Fee Schedule marked as Exhibit A is adopted.

SECTION 2. The 2024 Fee Schedule shall become effective on January 1, 2024.

SECTION 3. The 2024 Fee Schedule was prepared in accordance with Wisconsin § 66.0627 and § 66.0628.

ALL PREVIOUS FEE SCHEDULES ARE HEREBY REPEALED.

This resolution was duly passed and adopted this _____ day of _____ 2023.

Glenn Carlson, Chair

Clerk Attest

Michael Anderson, Supervisor

Date Passed

Aimée Baxter, Supervisor

Date Posted

Sue Brenna, Supervisor

Samantha Dobson, Supervisor

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**TOWN OF LA POINTE
2024 SCHEDULE OF FEES EXHIBIT A**

Approved by Town Board on 12/XX/2023

Items require sales tax unless charge notes that sales tax is included
(shaded cells reflect changes from 2023)

AIRPORT

Comment

Tie Down Fees	
Annual Tie-Down Permit	\$210.00 plus sales tax
Nightly Tie-Down Fee	\$15 (\$30 if not paid before departure); for "under wing" camping, \$30 (\$60 if not paid before departure). Includes sales tax.
Extended Parking Permit Town Lot A	
Summer: 6 months 5/1 - 10/31	\$100.00 plus sales tax
Winter: 6 months 11/1 - 4/30	\$100.00 plus sales tax
Annual: 12 months 5/1 - 4/30	\$150.00 plus sales tax
Industrial Zone Leases 4,250 sq. ft. annual	
Leases	\$941.75
Hangar Leases	
Per square foot of hangar	\$0.624537794160
Month-Month	\$240 per month

plus 2023 CPI-U
plus 2023 CPI-U

DOG LICENSE FEES

Neutered/Spayed	\$5.00
Unneutered/Unspayed	\$10.00
Kennel License	\$50.00 for 12 dogs. Excess of 12 dogs: \$5.00/dog

DOCK

Use of Town Dock (not for Town material)	\$0.20/ton off loaded
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AMBULANCE SERVICE

Ambulance Base Charge	\$1,400.00
Loaded Mileage	Determined by Medicare
Non-Transport Charge (if vitals are taken)	\$250.00
General Lift Assist ONLY	\$150.00
Intercept with Ashland Fire Dept	Billed by City of Ashland
Loaded Mileage	Billed by City of Ashland
Special Event Charges	
1 Ambulance, 2 EMT's for 4-hour event	\$400.00
Additional EMT/EMR for 4-hour event	\$90.00 for each additional EMT
	\$75.00 for each additional EMR
Additional EMT/EMR for event over 4 hours	\$90.00 per hour for each additional EMT
	\$75.00 per hour for each additional EMR

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FIRE DEPARTMENT

Ice Rescue	
Husky Windsled and Operator	\$400.00/hour plus personnel
	\$250.00 for each additional hour
Personnel	\$60.00/hour for each officer
	\$50.00/hour for each EMT
	\$50.00/hour for each Ice Rescue person
	\$200/hour for each Windsled Operator
Outdoor and Refuse Burning	\$10.00 per year Burning Barrel Permit Fee
Water Services	\$0.03/gallon; \$200 minimum

FINANCE AND TAXATION

Accommodation Tax Permit	\$20.00
Accommodation Tax due quarterly	8.0% of accommodation rental
Delinquent Accommodation Tax Returns	\$50.00 late filing fee plus a penalty of 10% of the tax due
Revocation or suspension of tax permit	\$50.00 for renewal of revoked or suspended permit
Returned check charge	\$50.00 (may also be subject to other penalties or fees as provided by law)
Tax-Exempt Filing Fee (all tax-exempt properties except for a church)	\$20.00 filing fee per parcel
Late Tax-Exempt Filing Fee	\$100.00 late fee if not remitted by March 31
Administrative billing costs (not for routine billing such as permits, leases, public record requests, etc.)	4.5% of the amount billed or \$10.00 whichever is greater

GREENWOOD CEMETERY

Burial (Vault)	
May 1 - Oct. 31 (Sexton: \$500.00; Town: \$1,000.00)	\$1,500.00
Nov. 1 - Apr. 30 (Sexton: \$550.00; Town: \$1,100.00)	\$1,750.00
Burial (Cremains) excavation up to 18" x 18" x 18"	
May 1 - Oct. 31 (Sexton: \$200.00; Town: \$200.00)	\$400.00
Nov. 1 - Apr. 30 (Sexton: \$250.00; Town: \$300.00)	\$550.00
Excavations larger than 18" x 18" x 18"	\$50.00 additional
Burial Plot	\$750.00/gravesite
Deed Transfers	\$25.00

INTOXICATING LIQUOR AND FERMENTED MALT BEVERAGES

Special Town Board meeting specifically for review/decision/issuance of liquor license applications including: Class "A", "Class A", Class "B", "Class B", Reserve "Class B", "Class C", operators or provisional operators license	\$200.00
§125.25 Class "A" Retail sale of Fermented Malt Beverages for consumption off the premise and in original packaging (beer)	\$200.00 yearly

INTOXICATING LIQUOR AND FERMENTED MALT BEVERAGES (continued)

§125.26 Class "B" Retail sale of Fermented Malt Beverages for consumption on or off the premises (beer)	\$100.00 yearly
§125.51 "Class C" Retail sale of wine by the glass on the premises	\$100.00 yearly
§125.51 "Class A" Retail sale of Intoxicating Liquor for consumption off the premises and only in original packages or containers	\$500.00 yearly
§125.51 "Class B" Retail sale of Intoxicating Liquor for consumption on premises by the glass	\$500.00 yearly
§125.51 Reserve "Class B" Retail sale of Fermented Malt Beverages (beer) and Intoxicating Liquor by the glass	\$500.00 yearly
§125.51 "Class B" license for a full-service restaurant with interior seating capacity of 300 or more persons	\$500.00 yearly
§125.26 Temporary Class "B" (Picnic) Beer and/or Wine to be sold at picnics by clubs	\$10.00 each
§125.17 Provisional Operator license issued to applicants enrolled in responsible beverage-server training course	\$15.00 yearly
§125.17(4) Temporary Operator License. Issued only to persons employed by or donating their services to nonprofit corporations. Limited to one license per year. Valid from 1 to 14 days	\$10.00
§125.17 Operator License. <i>License is good for two years</i>	\$27.00 includes background check
§134.65 Cigarette and Tobacco Products Retail License	\$100.00 yearly
§125.04 Publishing Fee (Fee presently charged for publishing by the Ashland Daily Press)	\$25.00 yearly
§125.06 Change of Agent	\$17.00 includes background check
§66.0433 Non-Intoxicating Beverage License (soda/water)	\$20.00 yearly for consumption on premises; \$5 yearly for consumption off premises

MATERIALS RECOVERY FACILITY

Garbage	\$ 5.00 per 13-gallon bag
	\$ 7.00 per 20-gallon bag
	\$10.00 per 33-gallon bag
	\$12.00 per 55-gallon bag
<i>Garbage: The bag size will be determined by MRF Attendant</i>	

MATERIALS RECOVERY FACILITY (continued)

Mattresses/Box Springs	\$20.00 per single
	\$25.00 per double
	\$30.00 per queen
	\$35.00 per king
All Furniture (couch, chair, recliner, table, etc.)	\$35.00 each
TVs and Computers less than 30"	\$35.00 each
TVs and Computers more than 30"	\$55.00 each
VCR, Radio, DVD & all other electronics	All Other Electronics - \$1.00 per pound
Burn Barrel Contents	\$10.00 per 33-gallon container
Demolition & Construction	Pick-up Load \$160.00
	One-Ton Truck \$275.00
	Five-Yard Truck \$450.00
<i>The amount charged will be at the discretion of the MRF Attendants</i>	
Scrap Metal	\$100.00 per pick-up load (depending on weight)
<i>The amount charged will be at the discretion of the MRF Attendants, who reserve the right to refuse any load larger than a pick-up load. CURRENT MARKET PRICE WILL DETERMINE ACTUAL COST</i>	
Business Recyclables (must be in clear bags)	
Sorted Recyclables	\$ 5.00 per bag/container
Unsorted Recyclables	\$20.00 per bag/container
<i>Only aluminum cans, paper and cardboard will be free</i>	
Major Commercial Appliances	\$50.00 - \$150.00
Major Appliances	
Refrigerator, Freezer, Etc.	\$50.00
A/C units	\$30.00
Microwaves	\$10.00 - \$35.00
Lawn Mowers	
Push Lawnmower	\$10 + \$10 if not drained of fluids
Riding Lawnmower without tires	\$30 + \$10 if not drained of fluids
Riding Lawnmower with tires	\$80 + \$10 if not drained of fluids
Grills	No fee
Excercise bikes/equipment/treadmills	\$10.00 - \$35.00
<i>The amount charged will be at the discretion of the MRF Attendants</i>	
Bicycles	No fee
Boats/Campers	\$25.00 - \$400.00 depending on size
<i>The amount charged will be at the discretion of the MRF Attendants, who reserve the right to refuse any boat longer than 20 feet. Must contact MRF supervisor prior to bringing a boat or camper to the MRF</i>	
Lead Acid Batteries	\$10.00
Tires with or without rims	\$20.00
Drain Oil	\$1.00 per gallon
Oil Filters	\$1.50 each
Fryer Grease	\$0.50 per gallon
Antifreeze	\$1.50 per gallon
Bulk Glass	\$5.00 per 33-gallon to 55-gallon drum/bag
Paint - Haz Mat	\$5.00 - \$50.00/gallon, depending on material

MATERIALS RECOVERY FACILITY (continued)

Fluorescent tubes	\$3.00 4 feet and under
	\$5.00 Over 4 feet
P.C.B Ballast	\$2.00/pound
Non P.B.C. Ballast	\$1.50/pound
Punch cards	\$25 value - \$20.00
	\$50 value - \$40.00
	\$200 value - \$160
<i>MRF will accept cars, boats, trailers and other large items based on the value of scrap metal.</i>	

NON MOTORIZED VESSELS (NMV) Annual Fee 7/1/24 - 6/30/25

New NMV Permit Application	\$150.00
Renewal NMV Permit	\$25.00/permit/year
Impound Lot	\$50.00 hauling fee plus \$25.00/day
Commercial NMV Business Permit	\$40.00

PARK AND REC FACILITY RENTALS

Campground Fees	
Tents (no more than 2 tents/site)	\$33.00/night
RVs	\$40.00/night
Cancellation charge	One night's reservation fee for cancellations 7 days or more in advance. Full reservation fee for cancellations less than 7 days in advance. Contact park for future credit on hardship claims.
Shelter and Building Rentals	
<i>Fees waived for nonprofit 501(c)3 organization. Must be listed as La Pointe property owner and submit IRS letter of status. Security deposit required even if fee is waived.</i>	
Rec Center Shelter	\$125.00/day plus sales tax
Rec Center Building	\$125.00/day plus sales tax
Russell Park	\$125.00/day plus sales tax
Joni's Beach Shelter	\$125.00/day plus sales tax
Big Bay Town Park Shelter	\$125.00/day (four-hour limit) plus sales tax
Refundable Security Deposit	\$125.00 plus sales tax

PRINTING AND COPYING FEES

8 1/2 x 11	\$0.35/page includes sales tax
11 x 17	\$0.50/page includes sales tax
Computer Disks (CDs)	Computer Disks or Flash Drives \$10.00 includes sales tax
Fax (outgoing/includes toll-free numbers)	\$0.50/page includes sales tax
Fax (incoming)	\$0.35/page includes sales tax
Certified Copies (originals only)	\$0.25 each page requiring seal
Public Record Requests	\$30.00/hour; there shall be no charge for locating a record unless the actual cost to do so exceeds \$50, in which case the cost shall be \$30.00 an hour in accordance with §19.35(3)

PRINTING AND COPYING FEES (continued)

Copies for Public Records Request	\$0.33/page (sales tax not charged for public records request)
Code of Ordinances	Computer Disks or Flash Drives: \$10.00 includes sales tax
(also available on Town website: townoflapointewi.gov)	

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Computer Disks	Computer Disks or Flash Drives: \$10.00 includes sales tax
Fingerprinting	\$10.00
Process Serving	\$60.00
Vehicle Crash Report	\$5.00

SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS per Chapter 347: Section 347-12(A)(B)

<i>Application required for <u>planned events</u>. (Does not include July 4th parade, impromptu events.)</i>	
2 separate checks: 1 check for permit	Permit \$150.00
1 check for deposit	Deposit \$100.00 (refundable)
<i>Note: This permit includes agreement to pay for cleanup, staffing and other costs incurred by the Town for the event, with 50% of anticipated costs due with the permit application.</i>	

VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

Extended Parking Permit Town Lot A	
Summer (6 months 5/1 - 10/31)	\$100.00 plus sales tax
Winter (6 months 11/1 - 4/30)	\$100.00 plus sales tax
Annual (12 months 5/1 - 4/30)	\$150.00 plus sales tax
Extended Parking Permit Town Lots R and W	1 month: \$40 plus sales tax
	3 months: \$100 plus sales tax
	6 months: \$150 plus sales tax
	12 months: \$200 plus sales tax
Impound Lot	\$25.00/day for each vehicle, trailer and other personal property
	\$50 hauling fee if done by Town; full towing fee if done by private service. Fee is per vehicle.

ZONING PERMIT FEES

La Pointe Zoning: 715-747-2707	
Ashland County and State Sanitary Permits: 715-682-7014	
Madeline Sanitary Permits: 715-747-6923	
<i>Administrative costs for warrantless complaints may be assessed to the complainant</i>	
Town of La Pointe Land Use Permit	\$75.00 + \$0.30/sq. ft.
Extension (see application)	\$75.00
Transfer	\$75.00
Nonrefundable Land Use Permit Fee	\$50.00

ZONING PERMIT FEES (continued)

Outdoor Seating (for restaurants and other businesses utilizing Town parkland, sidewalks or right of way)	\$200 annually + \$0.25/sq. ft.
County Land Use Permit	Refer to Ashland County Fee Schedule for land that is within 1,000 feet of the lakeshore
Board of Appeals	\$750.00
Variance Request	\$750.00
Conditional Use Permit	\$750.00
Certified Survey Map	\$250.00
Petition for Zoning Map/Text Change	\$1,500.00
Rental Permits	
Long Term (30 days or more)	Initial application: \$50 per unit; annual renewal: \$50 per unit
Short Term (less than 30 days)	Initial application: \$500 per unit; annual renewal: \$300 per unit. Annual renewal fee is due on or before June 14.
Events (required in specified zoning districts for dwelling units with Short-Term Rental Permit)	\$125 per event
Rental without a permit	Fee doubles; fee quadruples upon failure to comply after 30 days' notification
Subdivision Map/Plat Map	\$500.00
Provide 20 copies plus original	
Minor Lot Subdivision/Certified Survey Map	\$250.00
Provide 15 copies plus original	
Special Meeting of the Town Plan Commission	\$500.00/meeting
Permits for Other Activities	
Addition/Alteration	Requires a Land Use Permit
Change of Land Use	\$75.00
Fire Number	\$175.00 (up to two)
Home Business	\$50.00
Home Occupation	\$50.00
Land Disturbing Activity	Requires a Land Use Permit
Long Term Camping Unit	Requires a Land Use Permit
Move Structures	Requires a Land Use Permit
Road Access/Driveway Extension	\$75.00
Signs	\$75.00
Late Fee Schedule	
Permit fees double if project begins prior to issuance	
Permit fees quadruple upon 30 days after notification	
Project Beginning: Where applicable, project begins at Land Disturbing Activity, which is defined as any man-made change of the land surface including stumping of vegetative cover, excavating, filling, soil deposits and grading but not including agricultural land uses such as planting, growing, cultivating and harvesting of crops; growing and tending of gardens; harvesting of trees; and landscaping.	

ZONING PERMIT FEES (continued)

Cell Tower:	
Mobile Tower New Construction Land Use Permit (one-time fee)	\$3,000.00
Mobile Tower Class 1 Co-Location Land Use Permit (one-time fee)	\$3,000.00
Mobile Tower Class 2 Co-Location Land Use Permit (one-time fee)	\$500.00
Zoning Ordinance	Per-page charge, as established in Printing and Copying Fees. Also available for free on Town website: townoflapointewi.gov
Comprehensive Plan	Per-page charge, as established in Printing and Copying Fees. Also available for free on Town website: townoflapointewi.gov
Uniform Dwelling Code (UDC) / Solar Inspection Fees	Paid directly to UDC Inspector, as per Estimated Fee Schedule posted on Town website: townoflapointe.gov

**TOWN OF LA POINTE
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING**

November 28th, 2023

4:45 PM AT TOWN HALL

Draft Minutes

Town Board Members Present: Chair Glenn Carlson, Supervisor Michael Anderson, Supervisor Aimée Baxter, Supervisor Samantha Dobson, Supervisor Sue Brenna (via zoom)

Staff Present: Town Administrator Michael Kuchta, Town Clerk Alex Smith

Public Present: Paul Brummer, Charles Brummer

Call to Order: 4:45pm

I. Public Comment A*: None

II. Administrative Reports

A. Town Administrator's Report: Prepared and discussed by Michael Kuchta.

Placed on file by unanimous consent.

III. Public Works

A. Roads, Dock, Harbor: Nothing to report at this time.

B. Parks: Nothing to report at this time.

IV. Committees

A. Planning and Zoning

a. Rental Ordinance: Glenn will be meeting with some TPC members to discuss possible changes and recommendations to the Rental Ordinance before the Town Board holds a public hearing.

b. RFP for Building Inspection Services: Motion to approve posting a RFP for Building Inspection Services, A. Baxter/S. Dobson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. Committee Minutes: Discussed. No motion needed.

V. Town Hall Administration

A. Budget Summary Report: Motion to accept the reports, M. Anderson/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried

B. Joint Powers Agreement – Ashland County Emergency System: Motion to approve signing the agreement, M. Anderson/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

C. Treasurer Appointment: Motion to repost treasurer job posting with no set deadline,

A. Baxter/S. Dobson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VI. Vouchers: Motion to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$62,563.73, M. Anderson/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VII. Alternative Claims: Motion to approve the alternative claims for October in the amount of \$125,587.34, M. Anderson/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VIII. Treasurer's Report: Motion to approve the report with a balance of \$1,305,245, A. Baxter/S. Dobson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

IX. Minutes

A. Regular Town Board Meeting November 14th, 2023

B. Special Town Board Meeting November 20th, 2023

C. Special Town Board Meeting November 22nd, 2023

Motion to approve all minutes as submitted, S. Brenna/S. Dobson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

X. Emergency Services

A. Fire Department

a. Permission to sell F-250 pickup truck: Motion to give permission to sell the F-250 pickup truck using the State's Auction Site, M. Anderson/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

b. MOU with Ashland County for eDispatches: Motion to approve the MOU with Ashland County, A. Baxter/S. Dobson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

XI. Public Comment B:** Charles Brummer suggested the only way to properly handle the Rental Ordinance is to hold a public hearing.

Paul Brummer seconded Charles's suggestion. He also stated the Town Board has a long history of overruling the Zoning & Planning/TPC recommendations. He mentioned that MISA can only house teachers and enrolled students, their housing isn't allowed to be rented out.

XII. Liquor & Operators' Licenses: Nothing to report at this time.

XIII. Lawsuits & Legal Issues: Nothing to report at this time. No closed session.

The Town Board may go into closed session during the meeting for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved in accordance with Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(g). After the completion of the closed session, the Board will come back into open session to act upon the discussion in the closed session or otherwise complete the business of the meeting before adjourning.

A. Petition with the Wisconsin Department of Revenue Regarding Ashland County

B. Claim against Ashland County pursuant to WI Statute 893.80(1d)(a)

C. Possible Lawsuit Against Ashland County

XIV. New Agenda Items for Future Meetings

Rental Ordinance

Scheduling a Public Hearing for Rental Ordinance

Fire Number Installation – discuss bids

XV. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn, S. Brenna/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. 5:23pm

Submitted by Town Clerk, Alex Smith.

**TOWN OF LA POINTE
SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2023
4:45pm at Town Hall
*Draft Minutes***

Town Board Members Present: Chair Glenn Carlson, Supervisor Michael Anderson, Supervisor Aimée Baxter (via zoom), Supervisor Samantha Dobson (via zoom), Supervisor Sue Brenna

Staff Present: Town Administrator Michael Kuchta, Town Clerk Alex Smith

Public: Mike Starck, Michael Childers

I. Call to Order: at 4:45pm.

II. Call a Special Town Meeting

a. Resolution #2023-1205 B Convene a Special Town Meeting: Motion to sign the resolution and convene a Special Town Meeting on December 27th at 5:00pm, S. Brenna/M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

III. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn, S. Brenna/M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

Submitted by Town Clerk, Alex Smith.

**Town of La Pointe
Public Hearing:
2024 Budget
Tuesday, December 5th, 2023
5:00pm at Town Hall**

Town Board Members Present: Chair Glenn Carlson, Supervisor Michael Anderson, Supervisor Aimée Baxter (via zoom), Supervisor Sue Brenna, Supervisor Samantha Dobson (via zoom)

Public Present: 24 Townspeople present total including Town Board Members

I. Call to Order: Glenn Carlson called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

II. The purpose of this Public Hearing is to discuss the 2024 proposed budget.

Mike Stark made a comment that he received a letter from Romaine Quinn, State Senator, stating that Ashland County will see an increase of \$609,124 (74% increase) in state aid bringing the total to \$1,435,494.

John Carlson asked about the cop's overtime this past year and how it has affected the budget. Cops overtime and future costs were discussed. Next year, the budget for overtime will be less with the addition of a third full-time officer. The proposed increase in the tax levy to the amount of \$135,000 is initially to cover the costs of law enforcement that Ashland County is no longer providing. Jim Peters asked about the Assessor Wages and why there was such a big increase for this coming year. It was clarified that it is for the assessor's revaluation of every property on the island, that the assessor has spent this year doing. Mary Ross stated she could not find the Polka Ball Fundraiser in the Designated Funds. Michael Kuchta confirmed that it was a spreadsheet error, the money exists, and the funds are roughly \$31,000. The Harbor Commission/Ferry line payments were discussed per the Harbor Commission Q & A session last week. Mike Starck made a final comment that the Town should be meeting with the county about the increase in state aid before we approve the tax levy.

III. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn, S. Brenna/M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. 5:16pm

Submitted by Town Clerk, Alex Smith

TOWN OF LA POINTE

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Tuesday, DECEMBER 5, 2023
Immediately following a Public Hearing
At Town Hall
Draft Minutes

24 Townspeople present as per the attached sign up sheet.

I. Call to Order: Meeting called to order by Glenn Carlson at 5:16pm.

II. Consider the adoption of a resolution by the town meeting endorsing a Town Board Resolution (#2023-1120) which proposes that the town levy exceed the state allowable levy limit under Ss. 66.0602 of Wisconsin Statutes, specifically a proposed tax levy which would exceed the allowable town tax levy for 2023/Payable 2024 by 7.35% percent which would be a dollar increase of \$135,000 (for a total of \$1,970,624).

Glenn noted that the Resolution number should read #2023-1205A. Motion by Sue Brenna to approve and adopt that the town levy exceeds the state allowable levy limit by 7.35%, a dollar increase of \$135,000, second by Michael Childers. 22 Ayes, 1 Nay, 1 Abstained, Motion Carried.

III. Approve the 2023 total Town Tax Levy to be collected in 2024 pursuant to Sec. 60.10(1)(a) Wisconsin Statutes.

Motion by Micaela Montagne to approve the 2023 total Town Tax Levy in the amount of \$1,970,624, second by Robin Russel, 22 Ayes, 1 Nay, 1 Abstained, Motion Carried.

IV. Adjourn: Motion by John Carlson to adjourn, second by Michael Collins, Motion Carried. 5:21pm

Submitted by Town Clerk, Alex Smith

**TOWN OF LA POINTE
SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2023
Immediately following a Special Town Meeting
Regarding the 2024 Budget
At Town Hall
Draft Minutes**

Town Board Members Present: Chair Glenn Carlson, Supervisor Michael Anderson, Supervisor Aimée Baxter (via zoom), Supervisor Sue Brenna, Supervisor Samantha Dobson (via zoom)

Staff Present: Town Administrator Michael Kuchta, Town Clerk Alex Smith, Public Works Director Ben Schram, Public Works employee Evan Erickson

Public Present: Mike Starck, Jim Peters, David Markwardt (via zoom), Micaela Montagne

I. Call to Order: at 5:23pm

II. Discuss & finalize the 2024 Budget per the tax levy, voted by the Townspeople.

a. 2024 General Fund Budget: Motion to approve the General Fund Budget in the amount of \$3,859,850, M. Anderson/S, Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

b. 2024 Designated Fund Budgets: Motion to approve the Designated Fund Budgets in the amount of \$532,683, M. Anderson/S, Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

c. 2024 Schedule of Fees: Motion to defer to future meeting, M. Anderson/S, Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

III. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn, S. Brenna/M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. 5:30pm

Submitted by Town Clerk, Alex Smith.

TOWN OF LA POINTE
Board of Harbor Commissioners
THURSDAY November 16th, 2023
9:00 a.m. at Town Hall and via Zoom
Approved Minutes

Commissioners Present: Mike Anderson, Michael Collins, Zach Montagne, Evan Erickson Jr., Michael Childers, Carol Neubauer

Commissioners Absent: Pete Ross

Staff Present: Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary; Michael Kuchta, Town Administrator

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 9:00am by M. Childers.
2. Roll Call: Members and staff present as listed above.
3. Public Comment: None.
4. Minutes 11/9/23: Z. Montagne asked for clarification on section 5.e. of who requested the capital plan to be sent out for a second opinion. C. Neubauer confirmed it was the bank that requested this, but that Robin Trinko Russel sent it to the Washington Island Ferry Line. Motion by M. Anderson to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by M. Collins, no discussion, all in favor, Motion Carried.
5. ~~Committees—Updates:~~
 - a. President: M. Childers received an email from the Madeline Island Ferry Line attorney asking the status of the bank. The Harbor Commission lawyer will respond to the email.
 - b. Communications: M. Collins made a draft guideline of order of logic to explain how the Harbor Commission has gotten to this moment. C. Neubauer suggest changes to note that the closing will be by year end 2023 and will be funded in early 2024.
 - c. Operating Agreement: None.
 - d. Purchase Agreement: C. Neubauer has been in contact with Sean Lentz (Ehlers), and he is almost finished with financial models to be presented to the bank. The general obligation bonds have a limit of 10 years for townships, however, it can be paid on a 20-year amortization schedule with a balloon after 10 years, to be refinanced after the first 10 years.
 - e. Other: None.
6. Question/Answers Discussion: Date to be determined based on final reports from the bank.
7. Offers of Assistance: None.
8. Approval of Bills: None.

9. **Future Agenda Items: Schedule a question-and-answer session.**
10. **Meeting Dates: To be determined.**
11. **Adjourn: Motion to adjourn meeting by E. Erickson, seconded by M. Collins, all in favor, meeting adjourned at 9:16am.**

**Respectfully submitted by Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary.
Minutes approved as presented on Thursday, November 30, 2023, L. Burtaux.**

(5) TB, TA, AA, Clerk, Public

**Town of La Pointe
Winter Transportation Committee
Thursday October 12, 2023
8:30 a.m. at Town Hall/Zoom
Minutes**

Members present: Glenn Carlson, Town Board Representative (Chair)
Zach Montagne, Madeline Island Ferry Line Rep.
Joel Shilman, Facilities Manager, Bayfield School District
Randi Johnson, Finance Manager, Bayfield School District

Members absent: Ellen Troeltzsch, Citizen-at-Large

Town Staff present: Michael Kuchta, Town Administrator

Ex-officio present: Arnie Nelson, Windsleds Inc.

1. Call to order/Roll Call
The Winter Transportation Committee (WTC) called to order by Glenn Carlson

2. Minutes of the Following Meetings to be Considered for Approval:
A. March 9, 2023
Motion by Joel to approve the above minutes, seconded by Randi, all ayes except Zach who abstained. Motion Carried.

3. 2023-20204 operating budget discussion
Glenn reviewed the current winter transportation designated fund balance and prior years activity. He suggested each of the 3 parties (Bayfield School District, Madeline Island Ferry Lines and Town of La Pointe) contribute \$10,000 for the 2023-24 operating season.

Zach noted that he spoke with Michael Collins, Madeline Island Chamber of Commerce (MICC) Chair about the MICC contributing to this fund as it looks like the Town will acquire the ferry line and that would increase the Town's share. This will be discussed at the next MICC board meeting.

Motion by ~~Randy~~ *Randi* to approve the contributions for each party to be \$10,000, seconded by Zach, all ayes. Motion Carried.

Arnie stated that he anticipates the start up costs to be minimal this year as all sleds were gone over thoroughly last year and had low run time. He agrees with the \$30,000 in incoming funds.

4. Discussion and/or recommendation of vouchers submitted

Berkshire Hathoway (van general liability)	\$3,107.00
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Motion by Zach to approve the above voucher, seconded by Randi, all ayes. Motion Carried.

4. Schedule next meeting and set agenda.
Next meeting will be scheduled as needed.

5. Adjourn
Motion to adjourn by Joel, seconded by Randi, all ayes. Motion Carried.

Minutes taken from recording and submitted by Dorgene Goetsch, Clerical Assistant
Minutes approved with corrections 11/30/23. D. Goetsch, Clerical Assistant

TOWN OF LA POINTE
Board of Harbor Commissioners
THURSDAY November 30th, 2023
9:00 a.m. at Town Hall and via Zoom
Approved Minutes

Commissioners Present: Mike Anderson, Michael Collins, Zach Montagne, Michael Childers, Carol Neubauer

Commissioners Absent: Pete Ross, Evan Erickson Jr.

Staff Present: Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary; Glenn Carlson, Town Board Chair

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 9:00am by M. Childers.
2. Roll Call: Members and staff present as listed above.
3. Public Comment: None.
4. Minutes 11/16/23: Motion by M. Anderson to approve minutes as presented, seconded by M. Collins, all in favor, no discussion, Motion Carried.
5. Committees – Updates:
 - a. President: None.
 - b. Communications: Conversation of when the next Gazette will be published. L. Burtaux/M. Collins will investigate.
 - c. Operating Agreement: None.
 - d. Purchase Agreement: C. Neubauer would like to discuss financials in closed session at the end of open session details.
 - e. Other: None.
6. Public Hearing Q/A Discussion: C. Neubauer indicates a small change in the public documents for the Q/A session regarding the town's borrowing limits. Note anticipation notes put a small burden on town's borrowing capacity due to the promissory note the town will have the obligation to pay these back. Conversation of definition of 'good will and premium,' a business with a good reputation, 'turnkey' operation.
7. Future Needs and Operations: M. Childers notes that it is clear there is a future need for an employee for the Harbor Commission who manages the relationship with the ferry operations for the Harbor Commission. G. Carlson mentioned this might be something the bond attorney may have a requirement about.

Closed session to discuss financials: Motion by M. Anderson to go into closed session, seconded by Z. Montagne, roll call vote: 5 ayes, in closed session at 9:18am. Motion by M. Anderson to come out of closed session, seconded by Z. Montagne, all in favor and out of closed session at 9:45am.

8. **Offers of Assistance: None.**
9. **Approval of Bills: None.**
10. **Future Agenda Items: Nothing specific. Potential for special session to approve financial modeling the beginning of next week.**
11. **Meeting Dates: Thursday, December 7th at 9am.**
12. **Adjourn: Motion to adjourn meeting by M. Collins seconded by M. Anderson, all in favor, meeting adjourned at 9:47am.**

**Respectfully submitted by Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary.
Minutes approved as presented on Thursday, December 7, 2023, L. Burtaux.**

TOWN OF LA POINTE
Special Harbor Commissioners
TUESDAY December 5th, 2023
9am at Town Hall and via Zoom
Approved Minutes

Commissioners Present: Mike Anderson, Michael Collins, Pete Ross, Carol Neubauer, Michael Childers

Commissioners Absent: Evan Erickson Jr., Zach Montagne

Staff Present: Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 9am by M. Childers.
2. Roll Call: Members present as listed above.
3. Public Comment: None.
4. Approval to Send Financial Modeling to Bremer Bank:
 - a. Closed Session to Review Financial Modeling: Motion by M. Anderson to go into closed session, seconded by M. Collins, roll call vote, 5 ayes, motion carried and in closed session at 9:02am. Motion by M. Anderson to come out of closed session, seconded by M. Collins, out of closed session, all in favor and out of closed session at 9:26am.

This meeting may, upon duly made motion, be convened in closed session under State Statute 19.85 (1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. If the Commission goes into closed session; it will reconvene in open session before adjourning.
 - b. Approval to Send Financial Modeling to Bremer Bank: Motion by M. Collins to send the financial modeling from Ehlers to Bremer Bank, seconded by M. Anderson, 5 ayes, Motion Carried.
5. Future Agenda Items: Nothing specific.
6. Meeting Dates: Thursday, December 7th, 2023, at 9am.
7. Adjourn: Motion by M. Anderson to adjourn, seconded by M. Collins, all in favor, Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:29am.

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