

**TOWN OF LA POINTE
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
APRIL 8th, 2025
5:00PM at Town Hall**

Join Zoom Meeting

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Call in: 1-312-626-6799

Meeting ID: 832 3898 6020

Passcode: 688590

Some Town Board Members May Attend via Telephone

A quorum of the Town Board may be present prior to the meeting for voucher signing

I. Public Comment A*

This portion of public comment is restricted to one minute in length. The opportunity to speak for longer than one minute appears later in the agenda. You may also submit a public comment to the Town Clerk via email (clerk@townoflapointewi.gov) or drop it in the suggestion box outside Town Hall

II. Administrative Reports

- A. Town Chair's Report
- B. Public Works Director's Report
- C. MRF Supervisor's Report
- D. Airport Manager's Report & Checklist
- E. Planning and Zoning Administrator's Report
- F. Accounting Manager's Report
- G. Police Chief's Report
- H. Fire Chief's Report
- I. Ambulance Director's Report

III. Public Works

- A. Roads, Dock and Harbor
 - 1. Purchase Order for Grader Carbide Bits
- B. Parks
 - 1. Hire Parks #2
- C. Airport
 - 1. Airport Flyer Article "Airport of the Month"

IV. Committees

V. Town Hall Administration

- A. Discussion of Town Park Canoe/Kayak Rack Rental Ordinance
- B. Consider Short Term Loan to Harbor Commission
- C. Discussion of Livestreaming Committee Meetings

VI. Vouchers

- A. Town of La Pointe

VII. Minutes

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A. Regular Town Board Meeting – March 11th, 2025

B. Regular Town Board Meeting - March 25th, 2025

VIII. Emergency Services

IX. Public Comment B** *Public Comment that is longer than one minute*

X. Liquor Licenses

XI. Lawsuits & Legal Issues

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 Statutes 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 Ashland County Circuit Court case Regarding Ashland County Tax Levy

B. Sargent Claim vs Town of La Pointe

XII. New Agenda Items for Future Meetings

XIII. Adjourn

Upon reasonable notice, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of disabled individuals through appropriate aids and services. For additional information or to request this service, contact the Town Clerk.

Town Board Meeting Memo

From: Max Imholte, TA

Date: April 8, 2025

Re: Agenda Items

- Town Hall Administration
Discussion of Canoe/Kayak Rack Rental Reservation Process. The current process has created years long waiting list.
Discussion short term loan to Harbor Commission.
Discussion of livestreaming of all committee meetings. Currently only the TPC meetings are put on YouTube but one recent Affordable Housing Advisory Committee was unintentionally put on YouTube.
- Public Works
Parks: **Approve** hiring of Thomas Tittl for Parks #2 at \$20.00/hr. NTE 600 hours.
Roads: **Approve** Purchase Order for Grader Carbide Bits

Lawsuits

Ashland County Tax Levy: Judge Anderson has decided that the Tax Appeals Commission has jurisdiction to decide this case. According to our Lawyer no further legal work needs to be done for a TAC hearing.

Sargent Claim: Claims adjusters from Glatfelter and RLI Marine are working on this. No action required from the Town at this time.

TOWN ADMINSTRATOR REPORT

4/8/25

1. COMPLETED ITEMS:

WTA meeting March 24th

Submitted Direct Appropriation Request to Sen. Baldwin for replacement of Husky Ice Rescue Boat.

2. ONGOING:

Financial Working Group- Cash Flow Analysis.

Preparation for new Treasurer, Katie Abbott.

Loan Application BCPL.

Resubmit BBTP ADA Access Project for Direct Appropriation with Sen. Baldwin

ESB Microgrid project

Rewrite Personnel Policy Manual

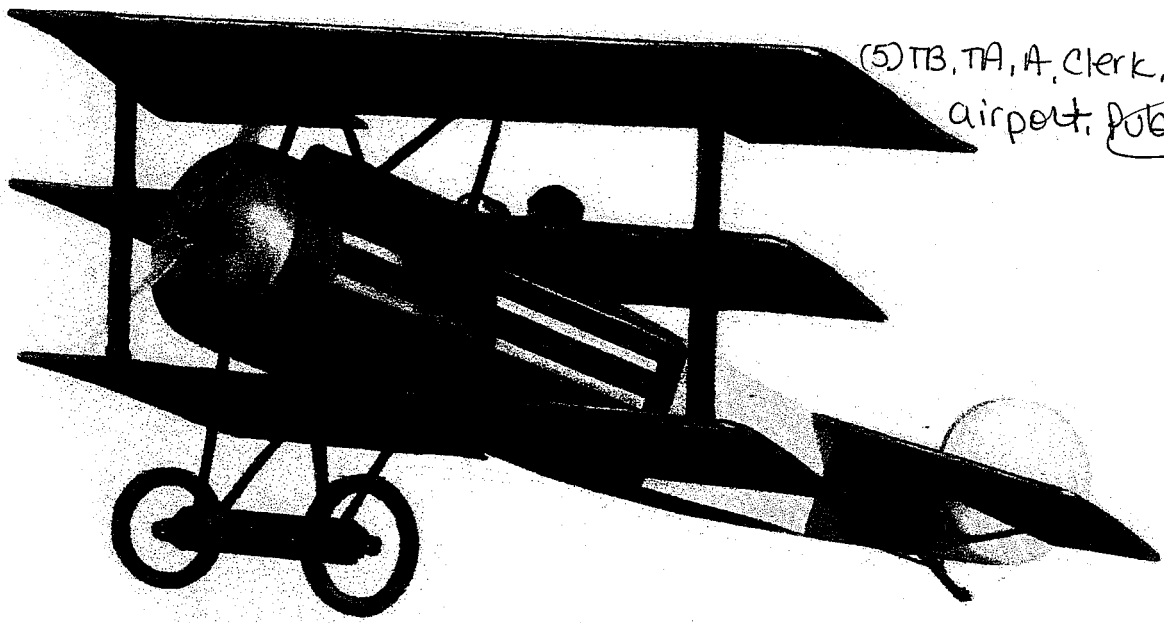
3. UPCOMING:

Prep for Financial Audit

Department Head Meeting, April 10th.

Prepare 2024 Annual Financial Report for Annual Town Meeting on April 15th

Prep for Board of Review Meeting May 27th



(5) TB, TA, A, Clerk, PWD,
airport, public

Major Gilbert Field (4R5)

To: Town Board

From: Paul Wilharm

Date: 04/01/2025

Re: Monthly report for March 2025

During the month of March our airport was issue free.

Drop box receipts:	\$0.00
Traffic, flight plan:	11
Traffic, sign in	07
NOTAMS	04

Traffic counts do not include touch and go and those who do not file and/or sign in which historically is many.

Attached are logs / checklists

Thanks !

Paul cover +(3)

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March 2025 Traffic count and revenue log / checklist

Drop box receipts \$ 0.00

The following filed flight plans:

03/01 N192AF

03/02 N6563U

03/02 N480ST

03/03 N52VA

03/08 N192AF

03/11 N441DP

03/13 N3968N

03/13 N9774B

03/25 N4325U

03/26 N9341C

03/27 N292CD

For additional traffic see sign in sheet(s)

3/2/25									
3/2/25	2	PLEASE KLEG							
3/1/25	2	P KSSS	on file						
3/27/25	1	Tranny KRDS	65-271-5053						
3/22/25	2	PLEASE KLSE	608-792-0844						
3/24/25	2	PLEASE KMDL	U						
3/26/25	1	PLEASE KSOS	304-615-2681						

03/25 Sign in (1)

Available Reports		5 total records!				
Reference...	NOTAM N...	NOTAM Text	Designator	Rt		
Civil Airport Coordination Report	75898436	03/138	IGRB 03/138 4R5 RWY 22 FICON 3/3/3 100 PCT 6IN DRY SN OBS AT 2503061409. 2503061409-25030...	4R5	Pa	
Civil Airport NOTAM Report	75898436	03/138	IGRB 03/138 4R5 RWY 22 FICON 3/3/3 100 PCT 6IN DRY SN OBS AT 2503061409. 2503061409-25030...	4R5	Pa	
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xUserEmails	76180035	03/750	IGRB 03/750 4R5 RWY 04 FICON 1/1/1 100 PCT ICE OBS AT 2503311346. 2503311346-2504011346	4R5	Pa	

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Keyword	
Date Range (Start)	03/01/2025
Date Range (End)	03/31/2025

03/25 NOTAM

March 2025 MRF Report

With March we started to see the first signs of spring. More hours of daylight, what little snow we had is close to being completely melted, and the boats have started back up. Along with those signs of spring, we have started to see things picking up here at the MRF. Contractors have been bringing in loads of construction materials that were hidden in the snow and we have started to see some part time residents coming back. During the month, we have continued to organize and set up the building for summertime, haul materials out of the building to authorized recyclers, continue our education on handling the different kinds of waste, and made some safety improvements in the building.

With the boats back up and running in early March, we started to haul materials out of the MRF again. On the way to a training class that I was heading to, I detoured to Duluth to meet up with a truck from Recycle Technologies to drop off some materials. In this load we had ballast with PCB, a variety of batteries, smoke detectors and florescent light bulbs. On the 18th of March we hauled another load of materials to Ashland. This load consisted of lead acid batteries that were brought to Chicago Iron for recycling revenue, and electronic waste that went to Springfed Salvage. These were small loads that we hauled in the MRF and Public Works pickup trucks, but despite their small size, it is still important to haul these materials off the island and to a proper recycling facility

On the 20th of March, Michael hauled a load of demolition, and on the 21st he hauled a load of solid waste. Both loads went to the Republic transfer station in Ashland. On the 21st Michael had two issues with our hauling truck "Woodstock". The first issue was that the fan clutch failed, and the engine fan would not engage. The second issue was that one of the rollers used to load boxes on and off the truck would not pivot correctly. I was luckily in Ashland on personal business and was able to go to Republic to assist Michael. Using a sludge hammer we were able to get the roller to move in the correct spot so that the box would sit correctly on the truck frame so it could go down the road. With the engine fan, it was cold enough that day where Micheal was able to drive the truck back to the island without overheating issues. Matt Harriott Jr ordered a new engine fan clutch and installed it. Matt was also able to get the roller to move correctly with a lot of time, heat and lubricants. Woodstock is now 21 years old, and every year we have a couple of breakdowns. For the money we paid for the truck, it has been a good truck to the town, but its now time to look at retiring "The Beast" (the original hooklift truck), purchasing a newer truck, and making Woodstock the backup. There are members of the public that ask that we have contractors do our hauling, but Republic and Waste Management do not have the resources to take on the extra hauling that we need to keep things moving off the island, especially during the summer months. In the first three months of 2025 we hauled 81.42 tons of demolition, solid waste, and recycling off the island with Woodstock. It is very important that we have a way to transport our waste and keep the island clean. Come next budget season, I will be making a request to purchase a truck that is no older than 5 years old in 2026.

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On March 12th I was able to attend a hazardous materials awareness and waste disposal training. A thanks to Michael for covering the MRF on that Wednesday so that I could attend. This free training was put on by Veolia at the UW of Eau Claire. Veolia is the company putting on our clean sweep in July. This training pertained more towards industries that create universal and hazardous waste, but it was still very informative. Some of the topics covered in this training were basic information on universal and hazardous waste, spill awareness, regulation on storage, and some new DNR regulation updates. The most important part of this training was making connections with Veolia to get questions I have on some materials that are at our facility. I am currently working with Veolia to have a training session for Michael and I, and hopefully the rest of the Public Works Department, that pertains more to the materials we take in at the MRF. In this class we will learn how to sort the different waste into the proper containers for shipment. It is important that we learn what products can and can't be stored together so that we do not accidentally mix something together that creates a chemical reaction. We want to make sure that we handle and package the materials properly and safely.

A good portion of the training concentrated on safety and spills of universal and hazardous waste. With this information we have made some safety upgrades at the MRF. First, we moved the first aid kit where it is more accessible and filled it with up-to-date supplies. Quick thanks to Ray for the good work on moving and hanging the first aid kit in the office area! Along with basic supplies, we added a bloodborne kit, and plenty of supplies to handle large cuts. A very important safety item we added was a mercury spill kit. At the MRF we take in materials that contain some mercury such as thermostats and fluorescent lights bulbs. If we had a mercury spill that wasn't handled properly or cleaned up right away, it would force the MRF to shut down and cost tens of thousands of dollars to clean up. We also ordered an oil spill kit, so that in the event of an oil spill, we can contain it right away. Lastly, we ordered drain covers. If a liquid material spills, we can cover the floor drains to prevent that material from going into the holding tank. All of these are small upgrades but could save to town thousands if we had a spill

During the month of March, we worked on the request for bid (RFB) to replace the oldest trash compactor. During the inspection in 2024 the technician from FleetGenius (the contractor we bring in every year for inspections and repairs on our compactors and bailer) informed us with documentation and pictures, that the trash compactor located on the Northwest side of the building was near the end of its life cycle. When we made the budget for 2025, we asked the board for \$34,000 to replace this compactor with a new one. FleetGenius was the only company to bid on this project with a price of \$29,265. Max worked with FleetGenius to get a contract signed, and we are looking forward to having the project done sometime in early to mid-June.

The trend of good months at the MRF has continued through March and we are looking forward to seeing this trend and warmer weather come in April. See you next time.

Respectfully submitted

Evan R Erickson

Financial Information

March:

Gross Sales: \$7,970.24
MRF card discounts: \$923.50
MRF card sales: \$4803.75
Total Revenue: \$11,850.49
Fees: (\$51.28)
Net Total: \$11,809.21

Year to Date:

Gross Sales: \$21,614.48
MRF card discounts: (\$1,859.25)
MRF card sales: \$10,252.75
Total Revenue: \$30,007.98
Fees: (\$108.19)
Net Total: \$29,909.79

Outstanding invoices through Square: \$3,363.06

Outstanding MRF card balance: \$4,315.50

Recycling tracking:

See attached spreadsheets for hauling a recycling data

Cardboard bailed: March/YTD: 2162lbs/6582lbs

Aluminum bailed: March/YTD: 0lbs/1046lbs

Tin bailed: March/YTD: 0lbs/776lbs

Hauling:

4 loads hauled (19.88 tons) during the month of February. 1 solid waste, 1 demo, 2 recycling.

Total recycling revenue: **\$290.88**. Total Hauling costs: **\$6,352.63**

Trucking Tracking Spreadsheet

Date	Vehicle	Material	Employee	Destination	Number of Hours	Equipment Cost	Equipment Labor Cost	Number of Tons	Cost per Ton	Price per Ton	Tipping Fees	Recycling Income	Ferry Fees	Fuel	Other Fees	Total Cost of Haul
1/2/2025	Woodstock	Demo	Michael Haben	Republic, Ashland	3.5	272.16	124.11	5.18	\$ 88.20		\$ 456.88		\$ 278.00			\$ (1,131.15)
1/15/2025	Woodstock	Demo	Michael Haben	Republic, Ashland	5	398.80	177.30	7.21	\$ 88.20		\$ 635.92		\$ 283.00			\$ (1,485.02)
1/17/2025	Woodstock	Solid Waste	Michael Haben	Republic, Ashland	4.5	349.92	159.57	9	\$ 88.20		\$ 793.80		\$ 307.00	\$ 154.43		\$ (1,764.72)
1/20/2025	Woodstock	Demo	Michael Haben	Republic, Ashland	4	311.04	141.84	6.03	\$ 88.20		\$ 531.85		\$ 291.00			\$ (1,275.73)
1/22/2025	Woodstock	Demo	Michael Haben	Chicago Iron, Ashland	5	398.80	177.30	7.36	\$ 88.20		\$ 649.15		\$ 283.00			\$ (1,498.25)
1/23/2025	Woodstock	Scrap Metal	Michael Haben	Chicago Iron, Ashland	5.5	427.68	195.03	7.82		\$ 100.00		\$ 782.00		\$ 283.00	\$ 171.11	\$ (294.82)
1/28/2025	Woodstock	Cardboard	Michael Haben	Chicago Iron, Ashland	4	311.04	141.84	8.04		\$ 80.00		\$ 643.20		\$ 256.00		\$ (1,044.88)
2/10/2025	Woodstock	Solid Waste	Michael Haben	Republic, Ashland	5	398.80	177.30	4.48	\$ 88.20		\$ 395.14		\$ 247.00			\$ (1,208.24)
2/11/2025	Woodstock	Demo	Michael Haben	Republic, Ashland	5.5	427.68	195.03	8.76	\$ 88.20		\$ 772.63		\$ 296.00	\$ 143.89		\$ (1,833.93)
2/12/2025	Woodstock	Paper/Plastic	Michael Haben	Republic, Ashland	6	466.56	212.76	2.77	\$ 77.09		\$ 213.54		\$ 235.00			\$ (1,127.89)
3/11/2025	21	HHW	Evan Erickson	Recycle Technologies, Duluth	4	663.32	148.40						\$ 28.00	\$ 74.99		\$ (1,490.95)
3/18/2025	MRF pickup	Copper	Evan Erickson	Chicago Iron, Ashland	1.625	26.94	60.29	0.016		\$ 7,300.00		\$ 116.80		\$ 10.35		\$ 76.50
3/18/2025	MRF pickup	Batteries	Evan Erickson	Chicago Iron, Ashland	1.625	26.94	60.29	0.544		\$ 320.00		\$ 174.08		\$ 20.70		\$ (527.89)
3/18/2025	MRF pickup	Electronics	Evan Erickson	Springfield Salvage, Ashland	1.625	26.94	60.29	0.41995	\$ 1,000.00		\$ 419.95					\$ (2,652.33)
3/20/2025	Woodstock	Demo	Michael Haben	Republic, Ashland	6.5	505.44	230.49	6.45	\$ 88.20		\$ 568.89					\$ (1,526.31)
3/21/2025	Woodstock	Solid Waste	Michael Haben	Republic, Ashland	4.5	348.92	159.57	8.32	\$ 88.20		\$ 733.82					\$ (1,402.16)
4/1/2025	Woodstock	Demo	Michael Haben	Republic, Ashland	3.5	272.16	124.11	8.06	\$ 88.20		\$ 710.89					\$ (1,402.16)
17.00					71.38	\$ 5,007.15	\$ 2,545.51	90.46			\$ 6,882.46	\$ 1,716.08	\$ 3,442.40	\$ 659.71	\$ 2,367.16	\$ (19,188.31)

Recycling Tracking

Date	Material	Category	Weight (LBS)	Count	Location sent	Way of delivery	Tracking/Code	Cost	Revenue
1/27/2025	4ft Florescent light bulbs	Universal Waste	52.70		Veolia, Port Washington	FedEx	691191707229149.00	\$ 133.00	
1/29/2025	Cardboard	Recycling	16,080.00		Chicago Iron	Self-Haul			
2/24/2025	4ft Florescent light bulbs	Universal Waste	49.80		Veolia, Port Washington	FedEx	691191707229064.00	\$ 133.00	
2/24/2025	8ft Florescent light bulbs	Universal Waste	52.70		Veolia, Port Washington	FedEx	691191707229149.00	\$ 110.00	
3/11/2025	4ft Florescent light bulbs	Hazardous Waste		2.00	Recycle Technologies	Self-Haul		\$ 0.68	
3/11/2025	Compact bulbs	Hazardous Waste		54.00	Recycle Technologies	Self-Haul		\$ 20.52	
3/11/2025	Non PCB Ballast	Universal Waste	6.00		Recycle Technologies	Self-Haul		\$ 2.34	
3/11/2025	PCB Ballast	Hazardous Waste	35.00		Recycle Technologies	Self-Haul		\$ 113.75	
3/11/2025	NI/Cad Batteries	Universal Waste	128.00		Recycle Technologies	Self-Haul		\$ 190.72	
3/11/2025	NIMH Batteries	Universal Waste	26.00		Recycle Technologies	Self-Haul		\$ 36.74	
3/11/2025	Lithium Batteries	Hazardous Waste	13.00		Recycle Technologies	Self-Haul		\$ 103.35	
3/11/2025	Lithium Ion Batteries	Hazardous Waste	124.00		Recycle Technologies	Self-Haul		\$ 184.76	
3/11/2025	Alkaline Batteries	Universal Waste	2.00		Recycle Technologies	Self-Haul		\$ 2.98	
3/11/2025	Smoke Detectors	Hazardous Waste		64.00	Recycle Technologies	Self-Haul		\$ 320.00	
3/18/2025	Lead Acid Batteries	Universal Waste	1,088.00		Chicago Iron	Self-Haul		\$ 174.08	
3/18/2025	Copper	Scrap	32.00		Chicago Iron	Self-Haul		\$ 116.80	
3/18/2025	CRT	E-Waste	91.80		Springfed Salvage	Self-Haul		\$ 45.90	
3/18/2025	Printers	E-Waste	147.30		Springfed Salvage	Self-Haul		\$ 73.65	
3/18/2025	VCRs	E-Waste	79.20		Springfed Salvage	Self-Haul		\$ 39.60	
3/18/2025	Speakers	E-Waste	94.60		Springfed Salvage	Self-Haul		\$ 47.30	
3/18/2025	Desk Accessories	E-Waste	17.20		Springfed Salvage	Self-Haul		\$ 8.60	
3/18/2025	Large Speakers	E-Waste	82.40		Springfed Salvage	Self-Haul		\$ 41.20	
3/18/2025	Flat Screen TVs	E-Waste	159.60		Springfed Salvage	Self-Haul		\$ 79.80	
3/18/2025	Mic	E-Waste	87.00		Springfed Salvage	Self-Haul		\$ 43.50	
3/18/2025	AKG Machine	E-Waste	25.40		Springfed Salvage	Self-Haul		\$ 12.70	
3/18/2025	Desktop Computer	E-Waste	8.20		Springfed Salvage	Self-Haul		\$ 4.10	
3/18/2025	Cords	E-Waste	21.00		Springfed Salvage	Self-Haul		\$ 10.50	
3/18/2025	Fax Machine	E-Waste	25.20		Springfed Salvage	Self-Haul		\$ 12.60	
Total				9.26				\$1,773.29	\$ 290.88

(5) TB, TA, A Clerk *potter*

Zoning Report 3/31/2025

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

ZONING REPORT 3/31/2025

Building/Land Use Permits	2025		2024	
	Value	Number	Value	Number
County	\$350.00	2	\$1825.00	9
Town	\$185.00	2	\$2695.50	9
Total	\$535.00	4	\$4,520.50	18

Town Revenue (2025 to date)		Town Revenue (through 3/31/24)	
Permits	\$185.00	Permits	\$2,695.50
Variance	0	Variance	0
CSM	0	CSM	\$0
Special exception	0	Special exception	\$0
CUP	0	CUP	0
Map Change	0	Map Change	0
Total	\$185.00	Total	\$2,695.50

Vacation Rental Permits

Source	2025 (to date)		Through 3/31/2024	
	Permits	Revenue	Permits	Revenue
Rentals by owner	14	\$5,200.00	20	\$6,000.00
Madeline Island Vacations	1	\$500.00	1	\$300.00
The Inn on Madeline Island	0	0	1	\$300.00
Total rental properties	15	\$5,700.00	22	\$6,600.00

There were three new owners so far this year. One of them is new to the rental pool.

The work group and I have turned the entire draft ordinance over to the TPC for review.

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Zoning Report 3/31/2025
Routing: TB (5), TPC (5), Clerk (1), Assistant Clerk (1) Email Staff: (5)

DATE	SANITARY PERMIT #	COUNTY PERMIT #	LAND USE PERMIT #	NAME OF PROPERTY OWNER	FIRE #	STREET NAME	Parcel number 014	PROJECT TYPE	TOWN FEE	COUNTY FEE
1/9/2025			2025-01	James Almendinger	633	Spruce Ln	00003-0500	Accessory	\$ 110.00	
1/28/2025		9233		Farmhouse Inn	852	Main St.	00470-0800	Solar		\$ 175.00
1/28/2025		9234		Farmhouse LLC	284	Middle Rd	00438-0100	Solar		\$ 175.00
3/25/2025			2025-02	Madeline Island Enterprises	219	Colonel Woods	00470-1000	Signs	\$75.00	

Respectfully submitted,
 Ed Schaffer
 Zoning Administrator



LA POINTE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MADELINE ISLAND
270 MAIN STREET
LA POINTE, WISCONSIN 54850

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

(S) TB, T.A.A, Clerk, PD, Public

To: Town Board
From: Thom Rossberger
Date: 4/3/2025
Re: Monthly Police Report for March 2025

During the month of March, the La Pointe Police responded to the following:

- 27 Incidents/Complaints (calls for service)
- 6 Traffic Stops
- 12 Citizen Assists
- 0 Accidents
- 1 Civil Process
- 3 False Alarm/911 hang up calls.
- 1 Call Out
- 0 Animal
- 0 Parking Citations
- 3 EMS

February weather and time of year, most island businesses have shut down for the season. Department activity numbers are down as a result.

As you know Chief Defoe is still recovering from his recent medical treatment. He still has no specific date for his return, however he is optimistic and feels he may be ready to go, in June.

Regarding Officer Linquist. We have concluded the hiring process and done most of the required recertification training, Firearms, and DAAT. He is scheduled to do Emergency Vehicle Operations Training this month.

We have been having radio issues. It has been determined that several of Ashland Co deputies have been using the main dispatch frequency however they have a secure code to cause the sound to be digitized and we are unable to understand. I have tried to discuss this with Dispatch, and we have mentioned it to the deputies that use it, however I have not been able to resolve this issue. I will be contacting the Chief Deputy to see what we can be done.

If there are any questions or if you wish to discuss things within the department, please feel free to contact me.

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Fire Department Report April 2025

This is one of those springs when the grasses and vegetation on the forest floor were not flattened down by snow. This scenario increases the chance of wildfires until the forest “greens up”. We had our official refresher with Ciara from the Washburn DNR office. We have also invested in lighting/sirens and high visibility reflectors to bring our brush truck up to NFPA standards.

PUBLIC REMINDER: any fires bigger than a recreational 3’x3’x3’ needs a burning permit unless there is 100% snow cover. Any non-permitted fire is subject to a \$500 fine.

Any permitted fire that the Fire Department responds to and is found to be non-compliant with permit rules are also subject to a \$500 fine. If you are fined by the town for illegal/dangerous burning you most certainly will also hear from the DNR. If you’ve been watching the news lately you know how devastating wildfires can be, especially during dry conditions.

Below is information submitted by Jack Nelson who, with Jay Wiltz, helped develop our own Search and Rescue Personal Watercraft program. Our new personal watercraft will arrive on Saturday, April 5th.

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Over the last year Jay Wiltz and I, Jack Nelson, spearheaded the establishment of a Search and Rescue Personal Watercraft (SAR PWC) program for the La Pointe Fire Department. This program was developed after recognizing the need for a fast, maneuverable water rescue operation of Madeline Island and surrounding waters. With input from other firefighters in the Department and Sarah Schram, our Ambulance Director, equipment was selected, and response strategies

were developed that would ensure a coordinated and effective approach to water rescue.

Thanks go to the Town Board for approving the funding and for the donors to the Fire Department who provided financial support.

Thanks to the teamwork of many, the Fire Department will now be better equipped to respond to water emergencies.

February Ambulance Report- 2025

The Ambulance Service responded to 3 calls for the month of March. We are back to relying on Madeline Island Ferry Line for 100% of transports.

For March's training meeting we reviewed radio use, call response protocols, and paperwork needed to be completed during and after each call. We also reviewed the use of our CPAP machine (continuous positive airway pressure) and portable O2 tanks. Service members also sorted all expired supplies into bins for future training usage.

The Ambulance Service recently received \$13,689.98 in grant money from the state of Wisconsin in the form of an EMS Funding Assistance Program Award (FAP for short). The bulk of this funding can be used for 'ambulance service vehicles or vehicle equipment, emergency medical service supplies or equipment, nondurable or disposable medical supplies or equipment, medications, or emergency medical training for personnel.'

The ambulance service did purchase a year's subscription to our new scheduling software called ConnectTeam. The scheduling software counted as a qualifying purchase for our FAP account. The software allows all 24 service members to see the schedule in real time and to sign up instantly for shifts needing to be covered. Service members can communicate with the whole team instantly through the software's chatroom option- allowing information to be easily and quickly shared. The software also makes adding hours at the end of the month for payroll very convenient. The whole service is really enjoying the upgrade and most importantly, keeping shifts covered on the island has never been easier.

Report respectfully submitted by Sarah Schram.

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PO # 2025-7



TOWN OF LA POINTE
PO Box 270
LA POINTE, WISCONSIN 54850
715-747-6913

GOVERNMENT AGENCY TAX EXEMPT
- All Sales are Tax Exempt -

Purchase Order Form

Date of Request 3/21/2025 **Is this Expenditure Currently in the Budget?** Y N

Person's Name Peter Wiggins **If not, where will funds come from?** _____

Budget Line Item # 53312-236 Currently in budget line item \$ 10,519.23

Project Name Grader Carbide Bits Date Needed 4/1/2025

Purpose replace wear parts on grader scarifier system

Amount Estimate \$ 1,515.90 Checked State Purchasing Website Y N

Date Town Board approved: _____ SDS Needed? _____

Actual Cost \$ 1,519.90 Actual Purchase Date _____

Purchasing policy requires attaching 3 vendor quotes/estimates. Circle Selected Vendor:

Vendor #1 Equipment Blades Wear Parts Amount \$ 1,515.90

Vendor #2 _____ Amount \$ _____

Vendor #3 _____ Amount \$ _____

Why did you pick this vendor We have an account with this vendor, best price, specialized equipment.

Chairperson _____ Date _____

Supervisor #2 _____ Date _____

Supervisor #3 _____ Date _____

Supervisor #4 _____ Date _____

Supervisor #5 _____ Date _____

Town Administrator _____ Date _____

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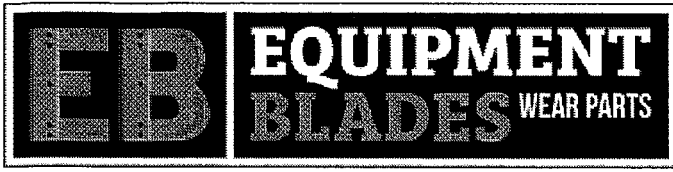
NOTE: Complete one Purchase Order for each vendor on a multi-vendor project.

CONTRACT PROCESSING

\$1,500 - \$5,000 - Signed by Town Administration YES NO

\$5,001 - Signed by Town Board YES NO Date Contract to TB _____

Publishing/posting Needed? YES NO If yes, date(s) _____



Equipment Blades Inc.
 2707 S Carolyn Ave Ste 3
 Sioux Falls SD 57106
 605-368-5221

Invoice Address:
 Town of La Pointe WI
 P.O. Box 240 Big Bay Road
 La Pointe WI 54850
 United States
 mechanic@townoflapointewi.gov

Delivery Address:
 Town of La Pointe WI, Delivery Address, Town of LaPointe WI
 240 Big Bay Road
 La Pointe WI 54850
 United States

Quotation # S09767

Quotation Date:
 03/19/2025

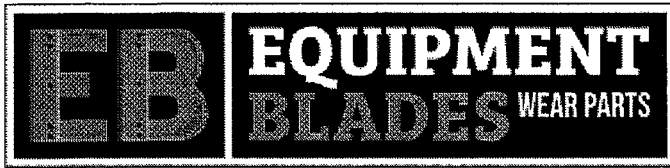
Salesperson:
 Jack Hunter

Equipment reference: (2) BOXES OF C87HDRP CARBIDE BITS
Payment Terms: Net 30

DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	TAXES	AMOUNT
<i>(2) BOXES OF C87HDRP CARBIDE BITS</i>				
BIT C87HDRP LARGE BLUNT KENNETMETEL STYLE ROTATING CARBIDE BIT W/ WASHER BQ 50	100.00 Each	14.30	Tax 0%	\$ 1,430.00
<i>(2) 42lbs packages via Speedee</i>				
Speedee Small Package: SHIPPING	1.00 Each	85.90	Tax 0%	\$ 85.90

Untaxed Amount	\$ 1,515.90
Tax 0%	\$ 0.00
Total	\$ 1,515.90

Thank you for the opportunity to earn your business. Quote is valid for 30 days from creation. Orders placed after 30 days will need to be re-quoted. Upon acceptance of this quote the Customer is verifying the parts quoted are correct and Equipment Blades will not be subject to product return fees. Custom ordered or built products are non-refundable. This quote, any and all pricing and discounts contained herein, and any correspondence between Customer and Equipment Blades shall be considered confidential information. Customer agrees to hold such information in strict confidence and not to disclose it to any third parties. [Click here to view: Order / Return Policy | Credit Application | Privacy Policy](#)



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605-368-5221

Payment terms: 30 Days

(5)TB, TA. A, Clerk, Airport, Public

MEMO

TO: Town Board

FROM: Paul Wilharm

DATE: 03/17/2025

RE: Minnesota flyer article

I worked with the author of the attached article and put him in touch with Chucky Nelson.
So a big thanks to Chucky for this airport of the month article with more free press.

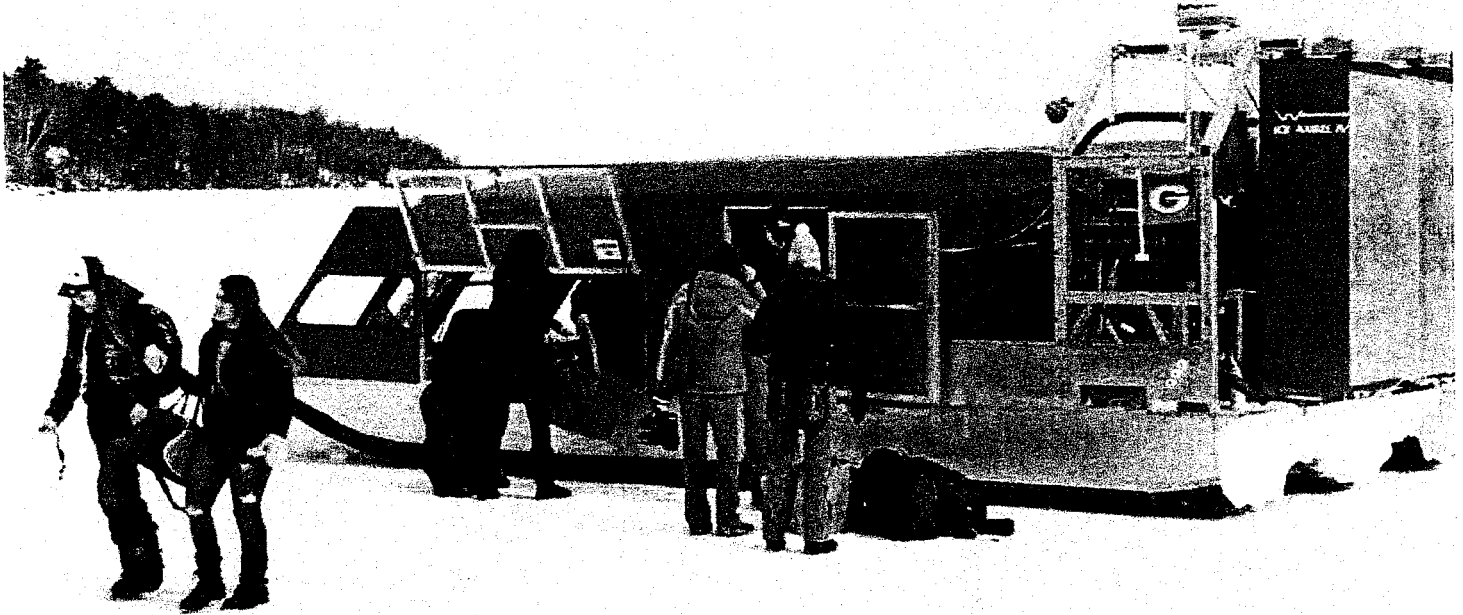
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OK Airport of the Month Major Gilbert Field Airport -(4R5)

By Tom Foster

Windsleds are still an interesting way of transportation to and from Madeline Island.



La Pointe was a trading post established by the French in 1693 on an island in Lake Superior. In the late 18th century, the American Fur Company took over and appointed Michel Cadotte the manager. Mr. Cadotte was married to the daughter of an Ojibwa leader. The chief's name was White Crane and the daughter Madeleine. Mrs. Cadotte most likely had an Ojibwa name, but the location of La Pointe became known as Madeline Island.

Madeline or Madeleine is a French name derived from the Greek Magdalene. Magdalene is a Christian saint. She was one of the apostles of Jesus, the chauvinistic attitude of the church notwithstanding. Appropriately, Madeline Island is one of the Apostle Islands, and they are a spiritual center for Lake Superior Chippewa.

Madeline is not part of the Apostle Islands National Sea Shore. Development is permitted, but more than a third of the island is park or public land. The modern village of La Pointe is at the site of the old trading post. The islands are popular for canoeing, kayaking, and sailing. You can fly to this bucolic place thanks to the Madeline Island Airport,

which is owned and operated by the Town of La Pointe. It has 3000 foot long paved and lighted runway. There's a generous parking area, automated weather station and a terminal building for flight planning, etc.

Other public access is by ferry when Lake Superior isn't frozen. Once that happens there's an ice road that is the only one of its kind with a designation (Ashland County Road H). When Lake Superior ice keeps the ferry in port, scheduled surface transportation is by "Windsled." Both the ferry and windsled service are also operated by the Town of La Pointe.

Windsleds are a local invention that have runners on a boat like hull. Driven by propellers and steered with airfoils, they use aviation technology but don't fly. One was built with a modified aircraft fuselage and many versions use aircraft engines. The sled-boat combination means windsled operations are not deterred by open water or thin ice. "Retractable" landing gear assists moving over obstacles and that feature too has an aviation origin, the first such installation using a wheel and strut from a Twin Beech.

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The absence of a land connection makes the airport on Madeline Island important for both the economy and emergency services, so the airport receives federal and state financial assistance. Surprisingly, records of both the FAA and State of Wisconsin show no aircraft based at Madeline Island, yet there are 16 hangars at the airport and plenty of airplanes around. Documentation compiled by the Town of La Pointe indicates 22 aircraft occupy those hangars. They're all owned by seasonal or part-time islanders and the aircraft are "officially" registered elsewhere. The aircraft based at Madeline Island are an eclectic mix. There's a jet, four or five turboprops, a couple float planes, and two or three "tail draggers." The owners may register their aircraft elsewhere, but they all have property on the island. Hangar space is fully occupied and upgrading the terminal building is being considered, so a planning study is underway to address those needs.

Gordon E. Gilbert was a La Pointe native and pilot with the 554th Base Unit during World War II. Gilbert joined the Army in 1940, completed pilot training in 1942 then flew B-24s in Burma, China and India. After surviving 125

combat missions, he returned to the U.S. and instructed new pilots for eight months, was promoted to Major then did another combat tour in the Mediterranean which brought his mission total to 141.

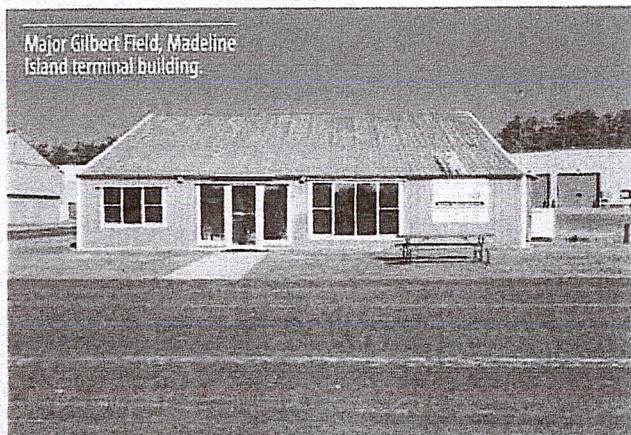
After the war, Gilbert returned home and did some bush flying, crop dusting, commercial fishing and dredging. He was a volunteer in the Civil Air Patrol and a scuba diver with a reputation for rescue work.

In 1949 Gordon Gilbert helped get the airport started. It's on land that was once part of his family farm, and it opened as a turf landing strip. In the middle of the 1960s it was upgraded to its current configuration and dedicated as Major Gilbert Field in 2019.

The La Pointe economy has been based on furs, lumber and fishing. Currently, tourists are the best source of revenue. They get there by ferry boats, ice roads and windsleds which are all interesting transportation media. Flying is faster, more direct and would include an aerial view of the most beautiful islands in North America.



The hangars house 22 aircraft that are registered elsewhere.



Major Gilbert Field, Madeline Island terminal building.



Magdalene, a Christian saint was one of the apostles of Jesus.



Madeline Island Airport.



Gordon Gilbert, the airfield's namesake.



(5) TB, TA, A, Clerk: Public's
- PWD

Accessibility and Fairness_canoes at Town Park

From Sara Weiner <rothholz.weiner@gmail.com>

Date Thu 3/20/2025 10:48 AM

To Alex Smith <clerk@townoflapointewi.gov>; Max Imholte <administrator@townoflapointewi.gov>; Peter Wiggins <foreman@townoflapointewi.gov>; glenncarlson453@gmail.com <glenncarlson453@gmail.com>

Greetings Board Chair, Town Board of Supervisors, Town Administrator and Public Works Director:

It has come to my attention that the Town Park's Canoe Rack rental policy is exclusionary and does not align with the overall spirit, goals and vision for La Pointe, particularly as it relates to language in the Town of La Pointe Comprehensive Plan Amendment 2024.

The language consistently noted throughout the Comprehensive Plan describes access to natural environment as "critical priorities; and a "value". Additionally there is language that addresses "removing barriers".

In speaking with La Pointe staff, I have learned that there are 60 individual canoe rack spaces that they town rents. Each year families who rented a rack from the previous year are sent a renewal letter on April 1 and asked to send in payment and confirm that they want the rack for the upcoming year which runs from July 1 - June 30.

The town maintains a waiting list for families who express an interest in a rack in order to access the lagoon and enjoy the natural beauty. Each new year, there are approximately 1 or 2 families on the waiting list that get an opportunity to access the rack spaces. This is dependent on a family from the previous year forfeiting their rack space.

The waiting list is currently approximately 22 families, and the next name to be afforded a rack, IF another family does not renew, has been on the list since July 2019.

This suggests the exclusionary use of a public amenity. Most towns have a lottery each year, where ALL individuals submit their name at a deadline, and then names are randomly selected. This provides equal, fair and equitable access to a shared public natural amenity.

I ask your consideration to review this policy and make a change so that everyone has equitable access to enjoy and utilize the natural amenities on the island from the Town's park.

Time is of the essence.

The renewal letters are scheduled to be mailed on April 1, 2025 to individuals who already had the privilege of renting these "coveted" racks last year and confirming/securing a rack for the upcoming summer.

Please add this to the agenda for the upcoming meeting.

Should you have any questions, please contact me. Thank you for your time,

Sara Rothholz Weiner
Oak Lane

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Chapter 432
VESSELS, NONMOTORIZED

(HISTORY: Adopted by the Town Board of the Town of La Pointe 6-13-2006 by Ord. No. 2006-06-13; amended in its entirety 11-28-2006, 11-27-2018, and 10-27-2020. Subsequent amendments noted where applicable.)

432-1. Title.

The title of this chapter is "An Ordinance Amending the Town of La Pointe Nonmotorized Vessel Ordinance No. 2006-11-28.

432-2. Purpose.

The purpose of this chapter is to regulate:

- A. Unattended nonmotorized vessels situated on property belonging to the Town;
- B. Persons renting nonmotorized vessels which are situated on Town property; and
- C. Commercial use of nonmotorized vessels on Town property.

432.3. Village Powers.

As per 60.10(2)(c), Wis. Stats., a Town Meeting of the Town of La Pointe adopted a general and continuing resolution authorizing the Town Board of the Town to exercise powers of a village board under 60.22(3), Wis. Stats. This chapter is adopted under the general authority of the Town's village powers.

432.4 Definitions.

When used herein, the following words have the following definitions:

ACCESSORIES – The accessories associated with a nonmotorized vessel, including but not limited to such items as paddles, oars, life preservers, sails and anchors.

CLERK – The Town Clerk of the Town of La Pointe.

COMMERCIAL USE – Any use, including but not limited to rental or operation, of a nonmotorized vessel for which money is received.

IDENTIFICATION STICKER – A gummed label or decal provided by the Town to a paid registrant which is to be affixed to the exterior bow of the NMV above the ordinary waterline of such vessel to identify who owns the vessel. The sticker number also coordinates with one of 56 specific locations on the noncommercial NMV rack, indicating where the NMV is to be kept when not in use. The commercial vessels will be stored in racks with the posted business names.

NONMOTORIZED VESSEL (NMV) – A canoe, kayak, rubber raft, boat or other watercraft or vessel used or capable of being used as a means of transportation on water which does not contain a motor. A referent to NMV also refers to related accessories of such NMV.

PERSON – A natural individual person or a corporation, limited liability company, partnership, association or other legal entity.

TOWN – The Town of La Pointe in Ashland County, Wisconsin.

TOWN BOARD – The Board of Supervisors of the Town of La Pointe.

TOWN FEE SCHEDULE – A written schedule listing current fees in the Town of La Pointe adopted by the Town Board.

TOWN PROPERTY – Real property situated in the Town of La Pointe, Ashland County, Wisconsin, which is owned by the Town of La Pointe.

WIS. STATS. – Wisconsin Statutes, including successor provisions to statutes cited in this chapter.

YEAR STICKER – A gummed label or decal provided by the Town each year when the yearly NMV fee is paid by the NMV noncommercial or commercial owner.

432-5. Nonmotorized vessels on town property.

- A. No NMV shall be left unattended on Town property unless a current Town year sticker is properly affixed to such NMV. No person shall leave an NMV unattended on Town property without a current Town year sticker properly affixed to such NMV.
- B. No NMV shall be left overnight on town property unless such NMV:
 - (1) Has a current Town year sticker properly affixed to such NMV; and
 - (2) Such NMV is left or placed in the area designated in this chapter or, if no area is designated by this chapter, by a sign erected at the site by the Town designating the NMV storage area.
- C. No NMV shall be left overnight at Big Bay Town Park unless such NMV:
 - (1) Has a current Town year sticker properly affixed to such NMV.
- D. **Assumption of Risks.** The Town of La Pointe hereby notifies persons who decide to leave their NMVs unattended on Town property that such vessels are very exposed to harm and are at substantial risk of being stolen, damaged or destroyed by persons, animals, or other perils or forces of nature, some of which are foreseeable and some of which are not foreseeable.

Unattended NMVs, although situated on Town property, are not within the possession, custody or control of the Town of La Pointe nor are they under the Town's supervision, so the Town of La Pointe does not accept or assume any responsibility, obligation or liability in respect to the protection of such NMVs.

A person who makes the voluntary decision to leave their NMV unattended on Town property shall be deemed:

- (1) To have assumed and accepted all risks associated therewith including, but not limited to those involving theft, damage, destruction and loss of such NMV; and
- (2) To have covenanted not to sue or assert any claim or cause of action, of any nature or kind, against the Town of La Pointe or any of its supervisors, officers, employees, agents or representatives associated with, related to or arising from any such loss, damage or destruction.

432-6. Stickers.

A person desiring a NMV site at the Town Park from the Town shall fully and accurately complete a written application therefor, file such application with the Town and pay the required fee. The fee for a NMV identification sticker and a year sticker shall be as provided by the Town Fee Schedule. No sticker shall be issued unless the required fee for that sticker has been paid to the Town of La Pointe.

- A. The application for a NMV site at the Town Park shall state:
 - (1) The name, address and telephone number of the NMV owner.
 - (2) The Island address and telephone number of the NMV owner if different from the address and phone number above.
 - (3) The date of such application.
 - (4) A description of the NMV in terms of size, color, type of vessel, manufacture, model number and any identifying serial number or registration number, if there is one.
 - (5) The primary Town property where such NMV will be left unattended.
- B. An identification sticker issued for a NMV is properly affixed when it is affixed on the exterior bow of the NMV for which it is issued, above the normal waterline where it is readily visible.
- C. A year sticker issued for a noncommercial vessel should be affixed for the current year and is in effect from July 1 to June 30.

432-7. Persons liable.

- A. If an NMV is discovered unattended on Town property in violation of this chapter, a citation for such violation may be issued to:
 - (1) A person who had been using or possessing such NMV;
 - (2) A person who is using or possessing the NMV at the time the citation is issued; or
 - (3) An owner of such NMV at the time of the violation.
- B. Each of the above persons is liable and responsible for such violation.

432-8. Commercial use of nonmotorized vessels on Town property

- A. Any person utilizing a NMV for commercial use on Town property, including at Big Bay Town Park, Memorial Park (Joni's Beach) and Main Street/Middle Road Approach, shall each year obtain a commercial use permit and a year sticker for each vessel.
- B. Commercial users shall obtain a permit from the Town and abide by all terms indicated in the permit. The permit shall include indemnification of the Town and require an insurance certificate.
- C. No commercial use of a NMV on town property is allowed without obtaining the permit.
- D. Commercial users obtaining the permit accept responsibility related to all term and conditions of its use.
- E. Applicable fees are required as provided by the Town Fee Schedule.
- F. The Town is held harmless against theft, loss, or damage to properties of the commercial user.
- G. Activities within the parks and grounds are subject to all rules, regulations and ordinances.

432-9 Commercial use permit process.

- A. Permit. A commercial use permit shall be obtained from the Town Administrator or designee to utilize nonmotorized vessels for commercial use on Town property, including at Big Bay Town Park, Memorial Park (Joni's Beach), or Main Street/Middle Road Approach. A commercial use permit is valid from May 15 through October 15 of each year issued.
 - (1) Application. A person seeking issuance of a permit hereunder shall file an application with the Town Administrator. The application shall include:
 - (a) The name and address of the applicant.
 - (b) Federal and state tax identification number, if applicable.
 - (c) The applicant's general liability insurance information; and
 - (d) Any other information required to aid in the permit process.
 - (2) Fees. Each application shall be submitted with the required fees prior to consideration of the permit process.
 - (3) Standards for issuance. The Town Administrator or designee shall issue a permit in consideration of the following:
 - (a) The commercial use will not interfere with or unreasonably detract from the general public enjoyment of the park or promotion of public health, welfare, safety and recreation;
 - (b) The commercial use is not reasonably anticipated to incite disorderly conduct; and;

- (c) In considering compliance with subsections (a) and (b) of this paragraph, the Administrator may take into account any prior written and verifiable complaints made to the Town by customers of the person/business seeking issuance of a permit; and
- (d) The application is complete with all required information, including insurance information on file.
- (4) Issuance. The Town Administrator or designee shall issue or deny the permit within five business days of receiving the application. Denials shall be clarified in writing and state the reasons for such.
- (5) Appeal. The applicant may appeal the denial of a permit through the Town Board. An appeal must be submitted to the Town Board within fifteen (15) days of the date of denial.
- (6) Financial Qualifications. To apply to the Town of Pointe for the issuance of a commercial use permit, the applicant shall not at the time of such application, owe the Town of La Pointe:
 - (a) Any delinquent real estate taxes, delinquent personal property taxes or any interest or penalty due thereon; or
 - (b) Any unpaid forfeiture or fee which has been unpaid for 60 days or more; or
 - (c) Money on a judgment in favor of the Town of La Pointe and against the applicant or a corporation, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, trust estate or any other entity in which that person is a shareholder, director, officer, owner, member, agent, trustee, representative, manager, employee, consultant, advisor or the holder of any other right, title or interest, which has been unpaid for 60 days or more.

No commercial use permit shall be issued to any person who does not meet the financial qualifications in this Section 432-9.A(6).

The Town of La Pointe may revoke a commercial use permit issued by the Town of La Pointe to the holder of a commercial use permit who, after 60 days' notice, fails to pay any of the aforesaid amounts which are due to the Town of La Pointe.

432-10 Limitations.

- A. Commercial Use Permit Holders. No person holding a current commercial use permit issued by the Town of La Pointe shall leave unattended more than eight (8) nonmotorized vessels at Big Bay Town Park at the same time.
- B. Non-Commercial Users. No person who does not hold a current commercial use permit issued by the Town of La Pointe shall leave unattended more than four (4) nonmotorized vessels at Big Bay Town Park at the same time.

C. When calculating the total number of nonmotorized vessels a person has at a given location at once under this ordinance, there shall be added together:

- (1) Each NMV at that location such person owns, possesses, uses, controls, rents, leases, has custody of or holds an interest in, plus:
- (2) Each NMV at that location which is owned, possessed, used, controlled, rented, leased or within the custody of a corporation, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, trust, estate or any other entity in which that person is a shareholder, director, officer, owner, member, agent, trustee, representative, manager, employee, consultant or advisor or the holder of any other right, title or interest.

D. Commercial Use Permit Which Allow Rentals at Big Bay Town Park. The Town of La Pointe shall not issue more than four (4) commercial use permits which are outstanding at once which allow the permit holder to rent or lease nonmotorized vessels at Big Bay Town Park.

432-11. Prohibited Conduct by Commercial Use Permit Holders.

A person does not become an employee, agent or representative of the Town of La Pointe by being issued a commercial use permit by the Town of La Pointe but by virtue of their status as a commercial use permit holder, such person's conduct unavoidably reflects on the Town of La Pointe.

The holder of a commercial use permit issued by the Town of La Pointe shall not, in a public or noncommercial place, engage in rude, abusive, indecent, profane, violent, unreasonably loud or otherwise disorderly conduct under circumstances in which such conduct tends to cause or provoke a disturbance.

432-12. Prohibited Conduct.

Whoever does any of the following has violated this chapter:

- A. Lends to another an identification or year sticker for display upon an NMV for which the sticker has not been issued.
- B. Attaches an identification or year sticker for an NMV for which the sticker has not been issued.
- C. Uses an NMV which displays an identification or year sticker which was not issued for that NMV.
- D. Willfully paints, alters or adds to or cuts any portion of an identification or year sticker or who places or deposits or causes to be placed or deposited on a sticker any substance to hinder the normal reading of such sticker.
- E. Defaces, disfigures, covers, obstructs, changes or attempt to change any letter or number on an identification or year sticker or who causes a sticker to appear to be a different color.
- F. Reproduces, creates or manufactures by any means whatsoever an identification or year sticker.
- G. Uses or possesses an NMV having attached thereto an identification or year sticker fashioned in imitation or facsimile or altered so as to resemble a sticker issued by the Town.

- H. Intentionally takes or uses a NMV which is on Town property and is for rent without paying the required rental fee for use of such NMV.
- I. Intentionally damages, hides, conceals, interferes with or, without the owner's consent, uses a NMV which is legally situated on Town property.
- J. Intentionally commits an act which is reasonably calculated to hamper, obstruct or interfere with the operation of a NMV rental business or a NMV rental operation on Town property.
- K. Takes down, removes, damages, interferes with or tampers with any lock, chain or other device owned by or installed by the Town of La Pointe or its employee, agent or representative on Town property.

Any person who violates any term or provision of this chapter shall, upon conviction, pay a forfeiture of not less than \$60 nor more than \$500 plus the applicable costs, surcharges and assessments for each violation. Each day a violation exists or continues shall constitute a separate offense under this chapter. In addition, the Town may seek injunctive and other equitable relief to terminate or enjoin further violations.

432.13. Enforcement of Ordinance.

This ordinance may be enforced as follows:

- A. Issuance of Citation to Violator. Any law enforcement officer or any other officer or employee of the Town of La Pointe may, on behalf of the Town, issue a citation to any person who is believed to have violated a provision of this ordinance.
- B. Each day a violation occurs constitutes a separate offense for which a separate penalty may be imposed.
- C. Revocation of Commercial Use Permit. In addition to or in lieu of the issuance of a citation to a person who is believed to have violated a provision of this ordinance, the Town Administrator or Town Clerk may provide the holder of a commercial use permit issued by the Town with a written notice stating that the Town of La Pointe intends to revoke the commercial use permit issued to such person on a date certain, not less than 15 days in the future.

Such written notice of intent to revoke a commercial use permit shall be served on the commercial use permit holder by personal service or sent to them by certified mail, return receipt requested, at least 15 days before the intended date of revocation of the commercial use permit.

A certified mail letter properly addressed and sent to a commercial use permit holder, pursuant to this ordinance, shall be deemed to have been served on the addressee when mailed.

Such written notice shall:

- (1) Inform the commercial use permit holder of the Town's intention to revoke the commercial use permit issued to them, the date of such intended revocation and the specific grounds for such intended revocation; and
- (2) Inform the commercial use permit holder that they have a right, prior to the stated date of intended revocation, to file with the Town Clerk or Town Administrator a written request for a hearing before the Town Board on the issue of such revocation.

If the Town Administrator or Town Clerk receives a written request for a hearing prior to the intended date of revocation of a commercial use permit the commercial use permit issued to such person shall not be revoked until the hearing is conducted by the Town Board on such issue.

A hearing before the Town Board on the issue of whether to revoke a commercial use permit will be conducted, to the extent applicable, similar to a hearing before the Town Board of Review.

In the event the Town Board determines that a commercial use permit issued by the Town of La Pointe should be revoked, the Town Board can then also determine at such time whether to bar such person from being issued a commercial use permit in the future for a stated period of time.

An appeal from the determination by the Town Board under this section shall be by an action for certiorari commenced within 30 days after that party receives the written notice of the Town Board's decision.

432-14. Impound Lot.

The Town has established and maintains an impound lot. Nonmotorized vessels, trailers, and accessories and other personal property in violation of this chapter may be impounded in such impound lot. Such impound lot may also be used for other law enforcement purposes unrelated to this chapter.

- A. When an NMV, trailer, accessory or other personal property is placed in the impound lot, such items shall not be removed from the impound lot unless:
 - (1) The amounts due to the Town for any forfeiture, transportation, towing, storage or other unpaid expenses have been paid to the Town; and
 - (2) The Park Supervisor, Town Foreman or law enforcement officer involved has consented to or approved of such removal.
- B. A person who removes an NMV, trailer, accessory or other property from the impound lot in violation of this provision has violated this section of this chapter.

432-15. Removal, immobilization and impoundment.

- A. Any law enforcement officer or any officer or employee of the Town who discovers an NMV on the Town property in violation of this chapter may remove or cause such NMV to be removed to a suitable place of impoundment or may immobilize such NMV.
- B. Upon removal of an NMV to a place of impoundment, the law enforcement officer or officer or employee of the Town is to notify the Chief of Police of the Town of the pertinent details.

- C. The owner of an NMV is responsible for all costs of impounding and disposing of the NMV. Costs not recovered from the sale of the NMV may be recovered in a civil action by the town against the owner of the NMV.

The Office of the Town Clerk shall properly post or publish this ordinance, as required under s. 60.80, Wis. Stats.


Adopted this 27th day of October, 2020.



James Patterson, Chairman



Mike Anderson, Supervisor



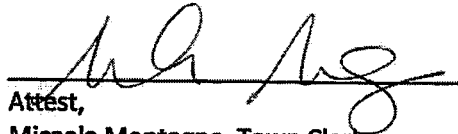
Sue Brenna, Supervisor



John Carlson, Supervisor



Glenn Carlson, Supervisor



Attest,
Micaela Montagne, Town Clerk

Posted on October 30, 2020

BBTP Canoe/Kayak Rack Rental Permit Process

- Current rack rent is low enough (\$25 per yr) to incentivize renewal over removal even if not intending to use.
- Long Waiting List.
- Proposed Changes: Increase rack rent to \$50 with offer to assist removal.
- Other possibilities: shorten time to renew; limit number of successive years.

**TOWN OF LA POINTE
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
March 11th, 2025
5:00PM at Town Hall
Draft Minutes**

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

Staff Present: Town Administrator Max Imholte, Town Clerk Alex Smith, Public Works Director Pete Wiggins, MRF Interim Supervisor Evan Erickson (via zoom)

Public Present: NONE

Call to Order: 5:00pm

I. Public Comment A*

Glenn mentioned getting back on track with receiving documentation for Town Board Agendas on the Friday before by 12:00pm.

II. Open Bids

A. 2025 Dust Abatement: No bids were received. Chemical Industries gave a quote prior to bid posting with a similar pricing as last year.

B. 2025 Trash Compactor Replacement: One bid was received from FleetGenius in the amount of \$29,265.00

III. Administrative Reports

A. Town Administrator's Report: Prepared by Max Imholte

B. Public Works Director's Report: Prepared by Pete Wiggins

C. MRF Supervisor's Report: Prepared by Evan Erickson.

D. Airport Manager's Report & Checklist: Prepared by Evan Erickson.

E. Planning and Zoning Administrator's Report: Prepared by Ed Schaffer.

F. Accounting Report: Prepared by Liz Brown.

G. Police Chief's Report: Prepared by Thom Rossberger.

H. Fire Chief's Report: No report.

I. Ambulance Director's Report: Prepared by Sarah Schram.

All reports presented placed on file by unanimous consent.

IV. Public Works

A. Roads, Dock and Harbor

1. Purchase Order for mower replacement:

Motion to approve the purchase order for mower replacement in the amount of \$8,899, A. Baxter/M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

2. Purchase Order for curb sweeper attachment:

Motion to approve the purchase order for curb sweeper attachment in the amount of \$7,685, A. Baxter/S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. Parks

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Initial: dg

1. Hire Campground Assistant:

Motion to hire Fern Langenberger as Campground Assistant starting May 5th at \$15/hr not to exceed 750 hours, A. Baxter/S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

C. Materials Recovery Facility (MRF)

1. MRF Staffing:

Motion to authorize the MFR to close on Mondays December 1st- April 1st M. Anderson/A. Baxter

Discussion: The Town Board discussed notifying the business ahead of time.

Amend motion to authorize the MRF to close on Mondays from December 1st- April 1st effective December 1st, 2025, and notify local businesses, M.

Anderson/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

V. Committees

A. Planning and Zoning

1. Revised CSM for Hartzell:

Motion to approve the revised Certified Survey Map for Hartzell, M. Anderson/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

2. First Reading of Subdivision for Hartzell Property:

The Town Board conducted the first reading of a Subdivision application. No action was taken.

3. Revisions to Ordinance 205:

Motion to defer to April 21st, M. Anderson/S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VI. Town Hall Administration

A. Treasurer's Report

1. December 2024

2. January 2025

Motion to approve the treasurer's report for December 2024 and January 2025,

A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. MOU for School Crisis Procedures:

Motion to approve MOU for School Crisis Procedures, M. Anderson/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

C. Schedule 2025 BOR and Open Book: Motion to set the 2025 Open Book for May 20th from 2-4pm and 2025 BOR for May 27th from 4-6pm, M. Anderson/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

D. Delinquent Personal Property Taxes:

Motion to write-off presented outstanding personal property taxes, M. Anderson/S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VII. Vouchers

A. Town of La Pointe:

Motion to approve the town vouchers in the amount of \$67,442.98, M. Anderson/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VIII. Minutes

A. Regular Town Board Meeting – February 28th, 2025

B. Special Town Board Meeting – March 3rd, 2025

C. Special Town Board Meeting – March 6th, 2025

Motion to approve minutes from February 25th, March 3rd, and March 6th, with a word correct to March 6th, S. Brenna/M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

IX. Emergency Services: Nothing new to report at this meeting.

X. Public Comment B:** None.

XI. Liquor Licenses: Nothing new to report at this meeting.

XII. Lawsuits & Legal Issues

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 to Wisconsin Statutes 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 Ashland County Circuit Court case Regarding Ashland County Tax Levy

B. Sargent Claim vs Town of La Pointe

No closed session.

XIII. New Agenda Items for Future Meetings

Award Bid/Approve Contracts

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

Submitted by Town Clerk, Alex Smith.

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TOWN OF LA POINTE
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
March 25th, 2025
5:00PM at Town Hall
Draft Minutes

Town Board Members Present: Chair Glenn Carlson, Supervisor Aimée Baxter, Supervisor Sue Brenna, Supervisor Samantha Dobson

Staff Present: Town Administrator Max Imholte, MRF Interim Supervisor Evan Erickson,

Public Present: Paul Brummer, John Carlson, Michael Kuchta (via zoom)

Call to Order: 5:00pm

I. Public Comment A*

John Carlson commented on the loan application with WHEDA Infrastructure Access Program and stated concerns with authorizing this infrastructure loan too early.

Glenn mentioned James Price will be here on April 21st from 2:00pm to 4:00pm, where the Town Board will have a Special Town Board Meeting, where he will be addressing the Town Board on current topics and answer any question contractors may have.

II. Administrative Reports

A. Town Administrator's Report: Prepared by Max Imholte.
Placed on file by unanimous consent.

III. Public Works

A. Parks

1. Hire Parks #1:

Motion to hire John Flockhart as Parks #1 at \$20/hr not to exceed 600 hours, S. Dobson/S. Brenna, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

IV. Committees

A. Committee Minutes:

Placed on file by unanimous consent.

B. Affordable Housing Advisory Committee

1. Authorize Loan Application with WHEDA Infrastructure Access Program

Motion to table until the next meeting, S. Brenna/A. Baxter, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

Michael Kuchta clarified some questions and discussed the application.

V. Town Hall Administration

A. Budget Summary Report:

Motion to approve the Budget Summary Report, S. Dobson/S. Brenna, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. Approve Contract with Chemical Industries for Dust Abatement:

Motion to approve contract with Chemical Industries for Dust Abatement, A. Baxter/S. Brenna, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

C. Award Bid and Approve Contract for Trash Compactor Replacement:

Motion to award and approve contact with FleetGenius for Trash Compactor

Replacement in the amount of \$29,265, A. Baxter/S. Brenna, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

D. Resolution #2025-0325 Board of Commissioners of Public Lands Loan:

Chair Glenn Carlson introduced and read the preamble for Resolution #2025-0325 Board of Commissioners of Public Lands Loan. Motion by Aimee Baxter to approve preamble and resolutions, all in favor Glenn Carlson aye, Aimee Baxter aye, Sue Brenna aye, Samantha Dobson aye, Mike Anderson absent, Vote 4 to 0 with 1 Absent, Motion Carried.

VI. Vouchers

A. Town of La Pointe:

Motion to approve the town vouchers in the amount of \$18,671.71, A. Baxter/S. Brenna, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VII. Alternative Claims:

Motion to approve the alternative claims in the amount of \$1,327,902.47, A. Baxter/S. Brenna, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VIII. Treasurer's Report

Motion to approve the treasurer's report as presented, A. Baxter/S. Dobson, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

IX. Minutes:

No minutes presented.

X. Emergency Services

Nothing to report at this meeting.

XI. Public Comment B**

John Carlson commented on AHAC notifying how much they want to borrow for the WHEDA Infrastructure Access Program loan.

Paul Brummer asked if the town has ever looked into laying off road workers in staggering terms when there is little to no snow, to help try and save some money.

Michael Kuchta mentioned the \$1.3 million grant from the USDA through their rural facilities program for the Big Bay Town Park Accessibility Project, for replacing the wooden staircase/improvements has been eliminated.

XII. Liquor Licenses

Nothing to report at this meeting.

XIII. Lawsuits & Legal Issues

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A. Petition with Ashland County Circuit Court case Regarding Ashland County Tax Levy
No closed session. Glenn Carlson updated on the recent decision regarding the Petition with Ashland County Circuit Court.

The Tax Appeals Commission was wrong and does have jurisdiction, according to Judge Anderson. It has been sent back to the Tax Appeals Commission.

B. Sargent Claim vs Town of La Pointe

XIV. New Agenda Items for Future Meetings

WHEDA Application Authorization for AHAC

School Referendum Results

Minutes

Airport Article

XV. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn, S. Brenna/S. Dobson, 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

Submitted by Town Clerk, Alex Smith.

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TOWN OF LA POINTE
Board of Harbor Commissioners
THURSDAY March 6th, 2025
9:00 a.m. at Town Hall and Live via YouTube
Approved Minutes

Commissioners Present: Michael Collins, Zach Montagne, Glenn Carlson, Evan Erickson Jr. (via Zoom), Susan Widmar, Jay Wiltz

Commissioners Absent: Pete Ross

Staff Present: Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary, Katie Kisner, Chief Administrative Officer, Max Imholt, Town Administrator

Public Present: Cal Linehan (via Zoom), Robin Trinko Russell (via Zoom), John Carlson, Charley Brummer

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 9am by Z. Montagne.
2. Roll Call: All members, staff and public present as listed above.
3. Public Comment A*: None.
4. Minutes – 2/27/25: Motion by Z. Montagne to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by M. Collins, all in favor, motion carried.
5. Chief Administrative Officer Report – Katie Kisner: Discussion on hose crimper and Board of Commissioners of Public Land loan payment/transfer. Motion by Z. Montagne to put the CAO report on file, seconded by S. Widmar, all in favor, motion carried.
6. Update on Ferry Operations: The ferry boats will try to break through today, 3/6. If it takes too long today, they will try again next week.
7. Harbor Assistance Program Grant Update: Nothing.
8. Consider Short Term Loan from Town: Discussion on the amount needed based on cash flow. The Town is looking to get a loan from Bremer Bank or the Board of Commissioners of Public Land for their capital projects.
9. Review and Approval of Submission for 2025 Tariffs: G. Carlson noted a small edit on the cover sheet, otherwise, this is set for submission to the Railroad Commission.
10. Review of MIFL Management Contract: Motion by J. Wiltz to move this item to after item #14, seconded by G. Carlson, all in favor, motion carried.

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.

11. Approval of Bills: Motion by Z. Montagne to approve the bills in the amount of \$101,554.97, seconded by G. Carlson, all in favor, motion carried.
12. Future Agenda Items: HAP update, loan from Town, review statement for MIFL regarding increased tariffs.
13. Meeting Dates: Thursday, March 20th at 9am.
14. Public Comment B**:
 - a. John Carlson questioned the tariff for the refrigerator truck and employee driving it. He made comments on student/teacher passes and the boat maintenance.
 - b. Max Imholt asked if the cash flow analysis always required a short-term loan from the Town.

#10: Review of MIFL Management Contract: Nothing.

15. Adjourn: Motion by Z. Montagne to adjourn, seconded by M. Collins, all in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:34am.

Respectfully submitted by Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary.
Minutes approved as presented on Thursday, March 20th, 2025, L. Burtaux.