

TOWN OF LA POINTE
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
August 12th, 2025 at Town Hall
at 5:00PM

Minutes

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

Staff Present: Town Clerk Alex Smith, Public Works Director Pete Wiggins, MRF Interim Supervisor Evan Erickson, Town Administrator Max Imholte, Zoning Administrator Rich Kula

Public Present: John Carlson, Paul Brummer, Charley Brummer (5:02pm)

Call to Order: 5:00 PM

I. Public Comment A*

Paul Brummer mentioned his public comment about becoming a member of the TPC from July 22nd and requested it be included in the minutes.

John Carlson asked for an update of the ESB microgrid/solar array.

II. 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 Paul Wilharm.
 - E. Planning and Zoning Administrator's Report: Prepared by Rich Kula.
 - F. Accounting Manager's Report: Prepared by Liz Brown.
 - G. Police Chief's Report: Prepared by Thom Rossberger.
 - H. Fire Chief's Report: No report presented.
 - I. Ambulance Director's Report: Prepared by Sarah Schram.
- Reports placed on file by unanimous consent.

III. Public Works

A. Roads, Dock, Harbor

1. Purchase order for Asphalt Purchase

Motion to approve the purchase order for an asphalt purchase in the amount of \$2,847.15, M. Anderson/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

IV. Committees

Motion to move IV Letter A #1 to after Lawsuits and Legals, S. Brenna/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

A. Planning and Zoning

The Town Board may go into closed session during the meeting for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. in which it is or is likely to become involved in accordance with to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 (1)(c). 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.

- 1. ZA Compensation and hours

B. Public Arts Committee

1. Discussion/take action to dissolve committee:

Motion to dissolve the Public Arts Committee until further notice, A. Baxter/M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

C. Zoning Board of Appeals

1. Appoint member with term ending June 30th, 2028:

Motion to appoint Ken Goldfine to the Zoning Board of Appeals with a term ending 6/30/28, M. Anderson/S. Dobson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

V. Town Hall Administration

A. Special Event Permit – 2026 Madeline Island Marathon:

Motion to approve the Special Event Permit for the 2026 Madeline Island Marathon, S. Brenna/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. Approve 2026 Budget Timeline:

Motion to approve the 2026 Budget Timeline with meetings starting at 4:30pm beginning in November, M. Anderson/S. Dobson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VI. Vouchers

A. Town of La Pointe:

Motion to approve the town vouchers in the amount of \$57,317.66, M. Anderson/S. Dobson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried

VII. Minutes

A. Regular Town Board Meeting – July 8th, 2025

B. Regular Town Board Meeting - July 22nd, 2025

Motion to approve the minutes from 7/8 and 7/22 with addition to Paul Brummer's public comment from 7/22, S. Brenna/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VIII. Emergency Services

A. Ambulance

1. Ambulance Service Bank Account Request

Motion to approve an ambulance service bank account, A. Baxter/S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

2. Approve Part-time Ambulance Director/EMT job description:

Motion to approve the job description for Part-Time Ambulance Director/EMT, S. Brenna/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

3. Hire Part-time Ambulance Director/EMT:

Motion to hire Sarah Schram as Part-time Ambulance Director/EMT at \$30/hr starting September 3rd and ending December 31st not to exceed 450 hours, A. Baxter/S. Dobson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

IX. Public Comment B:**

John Carlson congratulated Sarah Schram on her position. He also requested an update on the microgrid/solar array at the next meeting.

X. Liquor Licenses

A. Class "B" License

1. Firefly Café and Market/McBurtaux LLC:

Motion to approve the Class "B" License, S. Brenna/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. "Class C" License

1. Firefly Café and Market/McBurtaux LLC:

Motion to approve the "Class C" License, S. Brenna/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

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 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 new updates on Letter A or B. No closed session.

Motion to go into closed session, S. Brenna/S. Dobson, Roll Call Mike Anderson yes, Sue Brenna yes, Aimee Baxter yes, Samantha Dobson yes, Glenn Carlson yes, Motion Carried. 5:23pm

D. Planning and Zoning

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1. ZA Compensation and hours: Discussed in closed session.

Motion to return to open session, S. Brenna/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. 5:33pm

Motion to increase the Zoning Administrator to \$30/hr starting October 1st, not to exceed 1,000 hours, M. Anderson/S. Dobson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

XII. New Agenda Items for Future Meetings

ESB Microgrid Update

STBM on August 22nd

Budget Policy Discussion

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XIII. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn, S. Brenna/M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. 5:38pm

Submitted by Town Clerk, Alex Smith.

Approved as submitted, 8/26/25.