

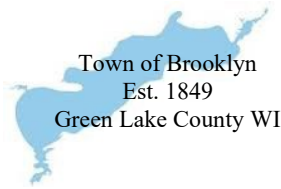
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Town Board Meeting February 13, 2024 6:00 P.M.

Minutes

1. The February 13, 2024, meeting was called to order by Chairman Wuest at 6:00 p.m.
Present: Wuest, Reabe, Triemstra, Rather. Absent: Pettack. Also present: Clerk Morris and Treasurer Toney.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.
3. Approve minutes of the January 9, 2024, meeting: M/S Triemstra/Rather to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2024, meeting passed.
4. Monthly Financial Review:
 - a. Treasurer's report – Summary of last month's financial statements A check was stolen from an employee's so the account was closed and a new one re-opened. Reconciling has been a challenge because of this but it will get done soon. That, along with tax collection has kept us very busy. We collected over 5.6 million in tax payments for the first installments. We accepted checks and electronic payments. \$541,000.00 was made electronically.
 - b. Clerk's report – Budget report (monthly) expenses and revenues. The clerk reported on a very busy January with assisting with tax collection, and closed bank account, and auditor reviews. February 20 election work is being done regarding absentee balloting and testing of the equipment. Work has already started for the April 2, 2024, election.
5. Library report – Christine Lyon, Director: The library report was received and read.
6. Building Inspector report – Building Permits issued. The report of the building inspector was received and read.
7. Fire Commission report – report on monthly meetings: Nothing new per Bill Wagner's conversation with Wuest.
8. County Board Supervisor Report – Harley Reabe: No report because no meeting in January.
9. Chairperson Reports
 - a. Road Report – Mike Wuest A few "divots" need to be fixed, but nothing else.
10. Supervisor Reports
 - a. Recycling Report – Harley Reabe. Reabe reported that we had 12.84 tons of co-mingled recycling, which is the largest amount we've ever had in January.



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11. Weed Commissioner Report No weeds right now.
12. Consideration and Action: Proposal 'No' enhanced wakes on Big Green (Land Conservation Committee) Todd Morris spoke regarding the enhanced wake and wake boats and damage to the shoreline and the land conservation committee came up with some recommendations which is 700' from shoreline and 40' of water. The conservation committee went to all towns, and they were questioned about the enforcement of the ordinance. The recommendation would be advisory because enforcement would be an issue. Bob Schweder also spoke about contacts with walleyes from tomorrow and other groups, so they felt 700' from shore and 40' depth leaves a lot of the lake to be used. The committee's recommendations were because the prime objective is to protect the lake. The committee would like to have a link to the county website to show where the 700' would be located. This could be done via a cellphone to the county website. Wuest questioned the enforcement. DNR can't enforce a local ordinance so that's why they decided that an "advisory" ordinance is the way to go. Triemstra spoke about the need for the DNR to act. Rather agreed. Reabe would like to see the county boards agree statewide to address the issue. M/S Wuest /Reabe proposed that we do not act at this time and wait until the other towns make decisions. Wuest: yes; Reabe; Triemstra: Yes Rather: yes. Motion passed 4 ayes, 1 absent.
13. Consideration and Action on 10 yr. look at the Comprehensive Plan (If any changes need to be made) Wuest explained that we should look at it every 10 years, and he felt it was cleaned up very good the last 10 year time period and it does not need to be re-hashed and he feels we do not need to do it again at this time. M/S Triemstra/Wuest that we send the plan to the zoning committee without any revisions. Triemstra: yes; Wuest: yes; Reabe: yes; Rather: yes. Motion passed 4 ayes, 1 absent.
14. Consideration and Action on: Moving \$1,912.00 from Contingency Fund to the General Account. M/S to move \$1,912.00 from the Contingency Fund to the General Account. M/S Triemstra: yes; Reabe: Triemstra: yes; rather: yes; Rather: yes; Wuest: yes. Motion passed: 4 ayes, 1 absent.
15. Next Board Meeting – March 12, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.
16. Adjourn

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Kathleen Morris, Clerk