

Town of Forest Minutes of August 12, 2024

The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Forest Town Board was held on Monday, August 12, 2024. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gary Kraus at 8:30p.m. following an extended Planning Commission meeting. Members Present were Supervisors Tom Loehr and Pete Brenner, Treasurer Lori Kraus and Clerk Sarah Loehr.

Chairman Gary Kraus led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Tom Loehr moved to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2024 meeting. Pete Brenner seconded the motion, motion carried.

Pete Brenner moved to approve the request from the Gary & Kim Thimmig Living Trust upon the recommendation from the Planning Commission to rezone 4 acres of land from Farmland Preservation to Residential in order to build a shed/house combination. Tom Loehr seconded the motion, motion carried.

Pete Brenner moved to approve the Certified Survey Map for the Gary & Kim Living Trust. Tom Loehr seconded the motion, motion carried.

Tom Loehr moved to approve the request from Karen J Bouchard upon the recommendation of the Planning Commission to rezone approximately 13 acres of land into two lots of 10.8 acres and 2.25 acres from Farmland Preservation to Residential. Pete Brenner seconded the motion, motion carried.

Tom Loehr moved to approve the Certified Survey Map for Karen J Bouchard. Pete Brenner seconded the motion, motion carried.

Tom Loehr moved to approve the Certified Survey Map for Sargento Cheese Inc. Pete Brenner seconded the motion, motion carried

Tom Loehr moved to approve the Certified Survey Map for Lynn M. Shea. Pete Brenner seconded the motion, motion carried.

Katie Schultz from the DOT contacted Clerk Sarah Loehr to see if it would be possible to push back the reconstruction of the Walnut Road Bridge to 2028. With the increased estimated cost of construction, there are not enough funds in the 2025-2027 budget for the expected cost. This was originally planned for 2026. Board agreed that 2028 would be fine.

Gary received a bid for a culvert update on Log Tavern Road, but the bid seemed abnormally high at \$13,000 so the matter was tabled to get more information.

In discussion from the floor: Jim Baumhardt is concerned at this point that he may not have time to complete the culvert projects this summer. Web-Pro LP sent their contract with option to pre-

pay. Pete Brenner moved to prepay 100% of 2135.40 gallons at \$1.699/gallon. Tom Loehr seconded the motion, motion carried.

Pete Brenner moved to pay the bills. Tom Loehr seconded the motion. Motion carried. Bills paid as follows on August 12, 2024:

DISBURSEMENTS

Alliant Energy	Town Hall Electric	\$92.06	10279
Bowmar Appraisal	Assessment Services 3rd Quarter	\$2,050.00	10280
Riesterer & Schnell Inc	Mower Tractor parts	\$997.83	10281
Waste Management	curbside pickup	\$6,889.00	10282
Mt. Calvary Fire Dept	2% Fire Dues	\$4,481.09	10283
St. Cloud Fire & Rescue	2% Fire Dues	\$2,108.75	10284
Blue Door Consulting LLC	Email Hosting	\$455.76	10285
Local IQ	public notices	\$189.01	10286
Dempsey Law Firm LLP	FP Certification Process	\$866.00	10287
Dave LeCloux	Freon-mower tractor	\$250.00	10288
Gary Thimmig	tractor repairs-labor	\$480.00	10289
Nick Wagner	wages/lawn mower gas	\$203.53	10290
Randy Loehr	wages	\$706.86	10291
WI DNR	tree theft settlement	\$5,000.00	10292
US Treasury	employment taxes	\$183.64	ACH
BankFirst	service charge	\$0.37	ACH
TOTAL		\$24,953.90	

RECEIPTS

Bug Tussel	Tower Lease	\$474.94	63270
Forest Floor Foods	PP Taxes	\$1828.64	39404
Voided check	Henschel	\$263.06	10140
BankFirst	Money Market Interest	624.27	ACH
TOTAL		\$2,927.85	

Cash on Balance	\$ 298,496.86
General Fund	\$ 152,655.69
Capital Projects Fund	\$ 145,841.17
Bank Accounts – Other	\$ -808.34
TOTAL	\$ 297,688.52

Previous Month Balance in Capital Projects	\$ 144,741.96
BugTussel – Lease	+ 474.94
Bank First – Interest	+ 624.27
Total for August 31, 2024	\$ 145,841.17
Included in Total Capital Projects Amount	
Capital Projects – Bridge Fund	\$ 10,000.00
ARPA Funds	\$ 32,487.85

Next meeting Monday, September 9, 2024 @ 8:00 p.m.

There was no further business; Tom Loehr moved to adjourn the meeting. Pete Brenner seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:30p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sarah Loehr
Town Clerk

Gary H. Kraus/Chairman

Thomas Loehr/ Supervisor

Peter Brenner/ Supervisor