

Town of Forest Minutes of February 12, 2024

The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Forest Town Board was held on Monday, February 12, 2024. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gary Kraus at 8:00 p.m. 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 January 8, 2024 meeting. Pete Brenner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Surveyor Jeff Butzke was present representing Jesse Gau in regards to rezoning his property located at W525 Glen Road, St. Cloud. He would like to combine parcels of land into one, including the vacated Gau Lane, which is not zoned. The recommendation from the planning commission is that the land be rezoned from Farmland Preservation to Residential, with a restriction that no additional residential parcels be split off without coming before the Town Planning Commission. Tom Loehr moved to approve the rezoning for Jesse Gau. Pete Brenner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Pete Brenner moved to approve the Certified Survey Map for Jesse Gau. Tom Loehr seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Special Use Permit for Jonathan Pickering, owner of Precision Arms and Ammo was presented for renewal. Due to his paperwork not being included when the other SUP were renewed in December 2022, he application was reviewed at this time. He is still currently operating his business from N5806 Co Rd W, Mt. Calvary. He works closely with the gun club in Dotyville for demos, and there have been no complaints of his business. Pete Brenner moved to approve the SUP for Pickering Precision Arms and Ammo. Tom Loehr seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman Gary Kraus listed a number of things that he has looked into for updates to the Town Hall and Shop: new shop light fixtures and lighted EXIT signs, \$2334 estimate; move a service door from the NE corner of the shop to SE or East facing; update the air compressor, convert back bathroom to storage, updating concrete and protection posts in front of new overhead door. Pete Brenner moved to approve the estimate for the new light fixtures and installation. Tom Loehr seconded the motion. Motion carried.

In discussion from the floor: we received information for a new program to inventory bridges and culverts in the Township. Board members will take care of the inventory. Must be completed by December 31, 2024. New sign post placed at Walnut and 7 Hills Road. We will be host to Towns Association Unit Meeting on June 6, 2024. Will be hosted at County Garage.

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

DISBURSEMENTS

Waste Management	curbside PU	\$6,889.00	10158
Alliant Energy	town hall electric	\$107.36	10159
Dempsey Law Firm	Sex Offender Ordinance consult	\$265.00	10160
Bowmar Appraisal	2024 Assessment Services	\$2,050.00	10161
Mt. Calvary Ambulance Service	2024 Subsidy	\$40,545.50	10162
Mt. Calvary Volunteer Fire Dept	2024 Fire Contract	\$31,745.37	10163
St. Cloud Volunteer Fire Dept	2024 Fire Contract	\$16,541.00	10164
Web-Pro LP Gas	586.2 gal @1.669	\$1,434.56	10165
Weber Oil Co.	462.1 gal DF	\$1,550.81	10166
The Highland Group	Poplar Road Appraisal & Review	\$7,370.00	10167
Monroe Truck Equipment	tire chains	\$3,235.00	10168
Fond du Lac County	Bridge Inspections (2)	\$317.74	10169
Fond du Lac County Towns Assn	checking replenishment	\$100.00	10170
K-Boss Farms	Pat's Tire, Fleet, Meinert	\$1,436.42	10171
BankFirst	safety deposit box charge	\$35.00	10172
Michael Sheridan Shea	escrow refund	\$132.74	10173
Kyle and Billie Jo Loehr	escrow refund	\$196.76	10174
Michael and Jennifer Sabel	escrow refund	\$5.00	10175
Brad and Danelle Karpinsky	escrow refund	\$229.83	10176
Harlan D Immel	escrow refund	\$5.00	10177
Patricia L Grose	escrow refund	\$3,631.06	10178
Fond du Lac County	Feb Settlement/PILT	\$275,755.76	10179
Campbellsport SD	Feb Settlement/PILT	\$367,879.32	10180
MPTC	Feb Settlement/PILT	\$32,686.57	10181
Lori Kraus	Bulky Waste	\$138.52	10182
Gary Kraus	wages: snow, hwy	\$775.74	10183
Randy Roehl	wages	\$812.68	10184
Nick Wagner	wages	\$842.69	10185
Pete Brenner	wages	\$166.23	10186
Tom Loehr	wages	\$73.88	10187
Gary Thimmig	wages	\$1,135.90	10188
Randy Loehr	wages	\$734.18	10189
Gannett Wisconsin LocaliQ	legal notices	\$74.95	10190
Helmer Electric	town hall outdoor lighting	\$2,056.11	10191
Fond du Lac County	POWTS	\$3,199.00	10192
Thomas J Wiskow	Poplar Rd land purchase	\$500.21	10193
Compeer Financial	Poplar Rd land purchase	\$300.00	10194
US Treasury	employment Taxes	\$193.94	ACH
BankFirst	overdraft service charge	\$0.21	ACH
TOTAL		\$805,149.04	

RECEIPTS

Batch 20	Property Taxes, clear 2/1/24	\$38,750.57	
State of Wisconsin	PILT for distribution	\$507.84	ACH
Batch 21	Property Taxes, clear 2/2/24	\$34,279.14	
Batch 22	Property Taxes, clear 2/5/24	\$27,673.68	
James Vollmer	culvert permit	\$25.00	cash
various	dog licenses	\$20.00	cash
BankFirst	overdraft fee refund	\$30.00	ACH
BankFirst	Money Markey Interest	\$1,197.91	ACH
BankFirst	Safety Deposit Box Refund	\$35.00	ACH

TOTAL **\$102,519.14**

Cash on Balance	\$ 281,262.59
General Fund	\$ 142,273.13
Capital Projects Fund	\$ 138,989.46
TOTAL	\$ 281,262.59

Previous Month Balance in Capital Projects	\$ 137,791.55
BugTussel – Lease (no deposit)	
Bank First – Interest	+ 1197.91
Total for January 31, 2024	\$ 138,989.46
Included in Total Capital Projects Amount	
Capital Projects – Bridge Fund	\$ 10,000.00
ARPA Funds	\$ 32,487.85

Next meeting Monday, March 11, 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 9:40p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sarah Loehr
Town Clerk

Gary H. Kraus/Chairman

Thomas Loehr/ Supervisor

Peter Brenner/ Supervisor