

Town of Belvidere
REGULAR MEETING
July 11, 2023, 7:00 PM
Cochrane VFW Post 10406

Chairman Ron Speltz called the meeting to order. All Board members present and four residents. The meeting notice was published in the Buffalo County News and the full agenda posted per WI Statutes 19.84 on July 6, 2023. A Motion by Supervisor Ron Kazmierczak was made to approve the Minutes as provided to board members in lieu of reading out loud. Supervisor Lee Engfer seconded the motion. Carried.

Treasurer Barbara Brommer gave the Treasurer's report and Investment Summary. Balance on hand as of tonight is \$225,697.22 in the General Checking Account. The Waumandee Bank CD will be redeemed in August to pay for Highway bid projects. Ron Kaz made a Motion to accept the Treasurer's report as read. Lee seconded the Motion. Carried.

The Clerk presented the bills for payment. It was noted that Monarch Paving's wedding bill will be paid in August after CD redeemed. A motion was made by Lee and seconded by Ron Kaz to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Shawn Squires-CCT presented the broadband survey of 26 locations. He reported 19 potential new customers with an estimated total cost of \$350,000. Discussion held on different PSC Grant programs (50-50 or 60-40) and other potential grant funds. It is possible the next PSC grants will be awarded in October or November 2023. Shawn will also be on the Buffalo County Board agenda to request Broadband Funds for Belvidere next week. Buffalo County has ARPA funds earmarked for towns. It is unknown at this time what amount may be approved for Belvidere since only a small area is left to complete wireless internet. CCT Board also needs to determine their amount to contribute towards the project. After all discussions, Lee made a Motion to move forward with Belvidere's remaining Broadband project. An application with PSC for the upcoming grant cycle will be submitted by Shawn for a 50-50% Grant and he will work with Buffalo County for additional grant funds. Ron Kaz seconded the Motion. CARRIED.

Great River Harbor has submitted one additional bartender application for Patricia Stuhl. The Board reviewed and Lee made a motion to approve with Ron Kaz 2nd-carried.

Chairman Speltz reported that road bid projects have been completed. Remaining project is on Foegen Road railroad crossing blacktopping & Schams road damage. The first mowing has been completed by Louis Duellman Landscaping Inc. Lee reported that per DNR's request a handicap sign has been installed at the Boat Landing.

Tri-Community Fire Department is having the truck chassis switched over now. Hoping to be operational by fall. Amended bills are pending for all the municipalities.

The next regular scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at 7 pm.

The Quarterly Buffalo County WTA meeting is Monday, July 17th at the Town of Cross Hall. This is the summer picnic and the new pilot LRIP program will be on the agenda.

At 7:40 pm Ron Kaz made a motion to adjourn with Lee seconding. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah M Ruff

Deborah M. Ruff, Clerk