Town of Breed Regular Board Meeting Minutes

January 14th, 2025, 7:00PM

11155 State Hwy 32 Suring, WI 54174

Meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by Chairman Phil Christenson with a reminder to silence phones. 8 electors were in attendance.

Pledge of allegiance.

Chairman Christenson, Supervisors Mark Quandt and Tim Mitchell, Treasurer Ethel Firgens, and Clerk Kristen Telford all present.

A review was made of the December 2024 unapproved board meeting minutes. Motion to approve those minutes made by Quandt, seconded by Mitchell. Approved.

Clerk Telford read correspondence touching on the topics of the upcoming Primary and Spring Elections, deadlines, tax filings and settlements, the reason for the property tax increase, and a reminder to check on our elderly constituents during this cold weather.

Treasurer Firgens gave the report on the town's finances, explaining expenditures and receipts for the month of December 2024, giving final totals for the year in checking and money market accounts. Clerk and Treasurer balanced the same and with the bank. Motion to accept the treasurer's report made by Christenson, seconded by Quandt. Accepted.

Motion to approve the picnic license for the Breed Sportsman Club made by Mitchell, seconded by Quandt. License approved.

Lengthy discussion was made regarding town board members working as town employees. Discussion included electors setting the wage of board members hired as an employee at special meetings, hours allowed because of retirement restrictions, duties and scheduling, and job descriptions of board members.

PSC Grant update: two electrical contractors submitted bids to replace and update the lighting at the townhall with LED bulbs and fixtures; Raddant Electrical Services bid $19,500.00. Electrical Synergies bid $25,972.41. Motion to accept the bid from Raddant Electrical Services made by Quandt, seconded by Mitchell. Motion accepted.

Road Report: Chris Hellem provided a year in review of work done for the town naming, replacing posts, traffic signs/posts, ATV signs, graded gravel roads, cold patch potholes, washouts, storm event clean up, and cleaned garbage out of ditches.

Chris asked for constituents to slow down as they drive past him while he's working.

Tractor hydraulics are giving issues but will remedy once it warms up.

Nauke LRIP is complete.

Recycling Center: COM2 Recycling has reached out to the town with an offer to take our waste electronics for free. They will provide gaylord boxes and pallets to drop off these items for free as well. Motion to contract with COM2 Recycling for an 8 month trial time made by Quandt, seconded by Mitchell. Carried. Constituents would not be charged fees for the items COM2 takes.

Barriers and signs are up at the recycling center.

Wisconsin Towns Association regional meeting is February 1st, 2025 at Wabeno. Meeting provides required training for Board of Review. Four board members will register for this training.

7 Towns meeting at Brazeau townhall January 15th, 2025 at 6:30PM.

February 5th, 2025- Planning Commission- members will receive free training at 6:00PM.

Review was made of the monthly bills. Motion to pay bills made by Mitchell, seconded by Christenson. Approved.

No further public comment.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Mitchell, seconded by Quandt. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:32PM until Tuesday, February 11th, 2025 at 7:00PM.

Unapproved Minutes

Kristen Telford

Clerk, Town of Breed