

## **February 21, 2024 Town of Dewey Board Meeting**

Note: These are the proposed Minutes that will be approved at the next Board meeting.

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### **Minutes**

**Wednesday, February 21, 2024**

**430 Dewey Drive-Stevens Point WI 54482**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chairman King at 6:30 pm, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Verify Open Meeting Notice & Roll Call: Open meeting notice was verified. Chairman Maurice King, Supervisor Dennis Hintz, Supervisor LeRoy Pukrop, Clerk Angela Lochinger, and Treasurer Josie Napiwocki were present. 3 town residents and/or visitors were present.

Approval of Minutes from the meeting of January 17, 2024: Supervisor Hintz motioned to approve the January 17, 2024 Minutes as presented. Supervisor Pukrop seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Citizens wishing to address the Town Board: None.

Supervisor Comments/Concerns: Supervisor Hintz inquired about when the town will impose seasonal weight restrictions on town roads. Chairman King explained that we follow the county's road posting schedule and that they haven't made a decision yet.

Request to hold the Lake DuBay Big Pull 2024 event at South Bay of Lake Dubay: Joe Nagrant, President of the Water Walkers Ski Team, attended a meeting to seek approval from the board for hosting the Water Walkers and Big Pull event at the South Bay of Lake DuBay on September 14th, from 5 am to 5 pm. The goal is to break multiple water ski records while prioritizing safety for athletes and the public. Mr. Nagrant emphasized the need to manage water conditions, close the boat landing at 4480 Park Road on the East side of the lake, and restrict boat traffic in the Southernmost bay near the dam. Mr. Nagrant has already contacted the DNR, Consolidated Water Company, the Sailing Club, and Lake Dubay Property Owners Association, all of whom support holding the event on Lake Dubay.

Supervisor Pukrop motioned to approve the request to hold the Lake DuBay Big Pull 2024 event at South Bay of Lake Dubay. Supervisor Hintz seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution No.1-2024, a resolution authorizing the posting of weight limits on town roads: Chairman King explained that the county has not yet made any decisions regarding the posting of weight limits on roads. However, should they decide to implement such postings, it is likely that we will follow suit.

Supervisor Hintz motioned to approve Resolution No.1 -2024, a resolution authorizing the posting of weight limits on town roads. Supervisor Pukrop seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Town of Dewey Public Records Access Policy: Following a discussion regarding the time frame that should be allowed for the clerk or other appropriate legal custodians to provide responses to public record requests, Supervisor Hintz motioned to postpone action on the Town of Dewey Public Records Access Policy. Supervisor Pukrop seconded. The motion passed 3-0.

Update to the Town of Dewey Copy Fees for Town Documents Through Open Records Requests Policy: Following discussion, Supervisor Hintz motioned to postpone action on the Town of Dewey Copy Fees for Town Documents Through Open Records Requests Policy until more information is gathered regarding electronic requests. Supervisor Purkrop seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Doing the Inventory portion of the 6-20 Foot Culvert Program: Per statute, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation is tasked with administering a program that enables counties to inventory and assess the condition of local bridges and culverts that are longer than 6 feet but no longer than 20 feet. This program includes: inventory, inspection, and load rating. Towns must decide on their inventory method by April 15th. There are three methods to choose from: 1) Once required training has been completed, do it yourself; 2) hire the private sector; or, 3) hire the county highway department if they are willing.

Supervisor Pukrop motioned that we conduct our own inventory for the 6-20 Foot Culvert Program. Supervisor Hintz seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Update on website and email addresses: Clerk Lochinger reported that all town officials, and the fire chief, now have new .gov email addresses, which are already in use. These new email addresses are available on the town website, which has also been updated. Additionally, she is working with TownWeb and KerberRose to change the website's domain name from townofdeweywi.com to townofdewey.wi.gov. This change is expected to occur within the next couple months.

Clerk/Treasurer Reports for January: The board reviewed the January Treasurer and Clerk reports, and January's reports balanced.

Supervisor Pukrop motioned to accept the Treasurer and Clerk reports as presented. Supervisor Hintz seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Chairperson's Report on town work and activities: Town employees have been cutting brush, verifying culverts and all town addresses, assembling and updating voting booths to accommodate new electronic voting machines, and had repairs done to a town garage door due to gapping.

Correspondence: The board reviewed correspondence.

Set Meeting Dates & Agendas: There next Town Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 13, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at the Dewey Town Hall.

Approve and Pay Bills: Supervisor Pukrop motioned to approve and pay the bills. Supervisor Hintz seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Adjournment: Chairman King adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm.