Minutes to be approved January 13, 2025.....

Town of Rockland December 9, 2024 Board Meeting Rockland Town Hall @ 7:00 P.M.

Chairperson Rosalie Geiger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. opening with Pledge of Allegiance. Officials present were Mike Havlinek, Tim Thor, Daniel Benter, Laurie Miller, and Road Superintendent, Keith Brandes. There were three citizens present. Motion made by Mike Havlinek and seconded by Tim Thor to approve the secretary's report as posted and printed. Motion carried. Motion made by Tim Thor to accept the Treasurer's Report as read. Second by Mike Havlinek. Motion carried. The agenda was followed as printed and posted.

<u>Public Input:</u> A resident approached the board about keeping business address as his residence address. After explaining how fire numbers are laid out, the board denied the request to keep the business fire number. Mike Havlinek made motion to deny request and a second by Tim Thor, motion carried. A motion was taken on this topic to drive quick clarity and resolution due to a safety concern with any necessary 911 calls.

Reports and Communications: Letter was received regarding Permission to start construction for Collins Marsh Wildlife Area. Mike Havlinek attended Park & Planning meeting on December 2nd and shared information with the board.

License and Permits: As listed on agenda.

<u>Local Mill Rate</u>: Motion made by Tim Thor to accept the corrected Local Mill Rate of .00246862 for 2024 taxes payable in 2025, which was slightly lower and more favorable than what was shared previously. This doesn't impact the 2025 budget in terms of total expenditures or impact the Local Tax Levy amount. Mike Havlinek seconded, motion carried.

<u>Desktop Computer Purchase</u>: Mike Havlinek made motion to order new desktop computer before the end of the year to take advantage of cost savings. Tim Thor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

February Office Coverage Plan: Laurie Miller, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer will be covering the office the month of February.

<u>S. Wells Road Maintenance</u>: Based on County and State maps, it was found the Town portion of S. Wells Rd ends on a curve. In the past, maintenance has been done on the road to the dead end. Tim Thor made motion, seconded by Mike Havlinek, motion carried that the Town will continue to plow snow (given the inability to turn around in that area), will not charge for past maintenance work, but will no longer perform maintenance on the portion of the road past the curve.

<u>Road Superintendent Report on Roads/Culverts/Signs:</u> Keith Brandes reported eight stop signs have been replaced and one arrow on Cottonwood Rd. Tires have been replaced on Truck #43 and brakes replaced (noticed when changing tires). A double arrow sign is needed at the end of Hickory Hills Rd on Manitowoc Road.

Constable Report: Dan Benter reported picking up trash on roads/ditches. Also was called for barking dog annoyance.

<u>Vouchers Approved:</u> Motion made by Tim Thor and second by Mike Havlinek. Motion carried to approve payments of vouchers #2176 to #22200 and EFT's in the amount of \$11,381.97.
Topics for January 13, 2025 Board Meeting: No topics at this time.
<u>Meeting Adjourned:</u> Tim Thor made motion to adjourn meeting at 8:00 p.m., second by Mike Havlinek, motion carried.
Respectfully Submitted, Laurie Miller, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer, Town of Rockland, Manitowoc County