

TOWN OF STURGEON BAY

2025 Annual Meeting

The 2025 Annual Meeting for the Town of Sturgeon Bay was called to order by Chairman Kent Moraga at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, April 21, 2025, at the Arle Memorial Hall. Board members present: Chairman Kent Moraga, Supervisor Joey Torp, and Clerk Michelle Sternard. Supervisor Jeff Feuerstein and Treasurer Val Delair were absent.

The Town Board was introduced. (Noted above)

- Minutes from the 2024 Annual Meeting were read. Craig Chepeck made a motion to approve the minutes as read, seconded by Larry Uecker. Motion was approved and carried.
- The 2024 Financial Report was reviewed. There were no questions. A motion was made by Dawn Uecker, seconded by Kent Moraga to approve the 2024 Financial Report. Motion was approved and carried.
- Bank Depository – Rose Hayes made a motion, seconded by Joey Torp to continue with Nicolet Bank as the primary financial depository. Motion was approved and carried.
- A motion was made by Pam Kraase, seconded by Craig Chepeck to continue using the Peninsula Pulse for publishing special meeting notices for town business in 2025. Motion was approved and carried.
- Dawn Uecker made a motion, seconded by Tom Schmelzer that the next Annual Meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, April 27, 2026 at the Arle Memorial Hall. Motion was approved and carried.

Other items discussed included:

- Sturgeon Bay Fire Department-
 - Sturgeon Bay Fire Chief, Kalin Montevideo, presented the 2024 Annual Report for the SB Fire Dept. The department responded to 70 calls in the Town of Sturgeon Bay in 2024, of which 23 were fire calls and 47 were emergency/medical assist. The cost for fire protection in the Town of Sturgeon Bay for 2024 was \$152,527.10.
 - Chief Montevideo also discussed staffing changes in 2024, specifically the promotion of Ethan Jorns to Assistant Chief, the promotion of Brent Wiegand to Lieutenant and a recent retirement. Montevideo then gave an overview of personnel, equipment, and training. The fire department gets involved in public education, burn permits, business fire inspections, special rescues for both ice and water, on-going staff training, along with a drone program.
- Broadband Project Update-
 - 2 AT&T representatives were in attendance and presented a PowerPoint (Robyn will send to Kent for us to post on the Town's website)
 - 670 customers in our Town will be served by this project. They thanked the Town's BBC for all of their work to bring high speed internet to every serviceable address in the town.
 - Project cost is >\$5 mill
 - AT&T = \$3 million investment into the project
 - Town \$1.45 million investment
 - WIPSC - CPF grant - \$552k
 - Overview =
 - September 2024 – October 2026 (contracts were finalized in 9/2024) -

- work is underway – internal projects right now for AT&T
- 5 phases for this project–
 - Surveying and design- gathering field data – current stage
 - Project release- current stage
 - Material and supply orders
 - Fiber, equipment (Bore machines, excavators, etc)
 - Placement and construction
 - Crews physically coming into the neighborhood at this stage– lots of activity during this phase – AT&T will be contacting property owner to say they will be doing work
 - AT&T will work really hard to maintain strong communication with residents
 - Testing and Turn up – construction is done, fiber is ready, finalizing connections and ensure functionality. Sales teams – talking to residents about signing up for AT&T products.
- Property restoration work is very important to AT&T.
- Project updates will be provided by AT&T and posted on the Town’s website under the tab for Broadband
- Lead salesperson = Harrison Gorski

Other discussion:

- Write in Procedure for elections.
- Mill rate announcement is scheduled after December 1st
- Board of review meeting is scheduled for May 12 at Arle Hall from 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm
 - If you wish to file an objection on your property assessment, you will need to file an objection form. This form is available from the supervisors or Chairman.

A motion to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. was made by Kent Moraga and seconded by Craig Chepeck. Motion was approved and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Sternard, Clerk