

Town of Sturgeon Bay
Door County, WI
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Town Board Meeting
November 6, 2023 – Minutes

Call to Order

The November 6, 2023, Town of Sturgeon Bay Town Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman Jeff Feuerstein at 7:00 p.m. at the Arle Memorial Hall.

Establish a Quorum

Board members present: Chair Jeff Feuerstein, Supervisor Dawn Uecker and Supervisor Kent Moraga. Quorum complete.

Also present: Town Treasurer Lynne Gustafson, Town Clerk Nancy Anschutz and Public

Approval of Agenda –Chair Feuerstein made a motion to approve the agenda for November 6, 2nd by Supervisor Uecker. Motion carried by voice vote.

Minutes from the October 2, 2023, meeting available on the town website. A motion was made by Supervisor Moraga to approve the minutes as posted, 2nd by Supervisor Uecker. Motion carried by voice vote.

Treasurers Report - Treasurer Gustafson gave the following financial report:

Checking Account	\$110,589.14
Savings Account	\$109,740.21**

** Includes payment from American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of \$86,874.90

A motion was made by Supervisor Uecker, 2nd by Supervisor Moraga to approve the Treasurers Report. Motion carried by voice vote.

Broadband Committee Report – Chair Feuerstein reported the committee continues to work with Attorney Randy Nesbitt on the resolution. A BEAD grant funding meeting is scheduled for November 7th. The estimated cost for town wide broadband with AT&T estimated about \$2M and it would be 18 to 24 months for hookup after contract is signed.

County Board Update – Representative Hugh Zettel reported on current county board activity:

- Appointed Veteran Service Commission,
- Accepted juvenile diversion grant - a program to help troubled teens,
- Approved increases for hours and pay for county employees, including rate increase to part time positions, to retain and attract county employees.
- Reduced speed on Hwy. DK and installed stop signs near Renard's Cheese Store. Renard's agreed to close one entrance. The purpose of these changes is to make the intersection safer.

Roads and/or Parks:

Completed road projects include:

- Smejkal Road – Gravel added and paving completed
- South Lake Michigan Drive – Potholes filled
- Lily Bay – Shoulder/edge repaired as needed
- TT & Lake Forest Park – Dip in road corrected

Pending road projects include:

- Shiloh Road – Repairs to shoulders
- Buffalo Ridge Trail – Repair potholes

Request for Proposals – SLMD - The town advertised to remove 38 trees on SLMD, project to be completed and billed by December 4, 2023.

Six quotes received:

Torp Lawncare & Tree Service - \$8,610.00

Bubba's Tree & Stump Removal - \$8,862.00

Door County Sawmill - \$12,000.00

DC Hwy Dep. - \$19,668.00

Gabe's Top It or Drop It Tree Service - \$21,500.00

Acorn Services of DC - \$24,480.00

Following discussions, a motion was made by Supervisor Moraga, 2nd by Chair Feuerstein to accept the quote from Torp Lawncare & Tree Service. Motion approved by voice vote.

Clerk Anschutz passed out to board members the call-in phone numbers for county assistance during the winter months. She also passed out a copy of the 2023 Paser report, prepared and submitted by Fahrner Asphalt on the town's behalf.

Old Business:

Mileage Reimbursement Policy: Supervisor Moraga presented an example of an expense report, based on sample used by Grand Chute. No action taken; will be back on the agenda for the December meeting.

Portage Park Funding Application: Supervisor Uecker reported the Soil and Water Dept is not able to assist with the application. Resident Larry Madden said that he hopes "the town recognizes the historic significance of the park – and let Mother Nature take her course". Improvements to the parking area recommended. Further discussion expected at the December meeting.

Noise ordinance: David Ray, SLMD resident spoke that he and his family have experienced excessive noise and lighting issues for the past 7 years at their home. A motion was made by Chair Feuerstein to investigate noise ordinances and report back to the board at the next town board meeting. Supervisor Uecker 2nd the motion, motion approved by voice vote.

New Business:

Select Building Inspector: Two interested parties attended the town board meeting to express interest in becoming the building inspector for the Town of Sturgeon Bay.

David Enigl, eServices llc – introduced himself and presented his credentials and experience as a building inspector.

Brett Guilette, Inspection Specialists – introduced himself and presented his credentials and experience as a building inspector.

Chair Feuerstein made a motion to accept a contract with Brett Guilette, Inspection Specialists, motion 2nd by Supervisor Uecker. All in favor. Mr. Guilette asked if he could have a start date of December 1, 2023.

Correspondence: Clerk Anschutz shared a letter from DC Health & Human Services on the subject of coal-tar based pavement sealcoats. That office is planning a presentation at an upcoming WTA's – DC Unit meeting so each municipality can be educated on the adverse health outcomes associated with the use of coal-tar based pavement sealcoats.

Public Comment – None

Following the approval of bills, a motion to adjourn at 8:49 p.m. was made by Supervisor Uecker, 2nd by Chair Feuerstein. Motion approved and carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Anschutz, Clerk