

Town of Sturgeon Bay
Door County, WI
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Town Board Meeting
September 9, 2024 – Minutes

Call to Order

The September 9, 2024, Town of Sturgeon Bay Town Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman Jeff Feuerstein at 6:00 p.m. at the Arle Memorial Hall.

Establish a Quorum

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

Also present: Town Treasurer Lynne Gustafson, Town Clerk Nancy Anschutz and approximately 25 public/residents.

Approval of Agenda – Chair Feuerstein made a motion to approve the agenda for September 9, 2024, 2nd by Supervisor Moraga. Motion carried by voice vote.

Minutes from the August 12, 2024, town board meeting are available on the town website. A motion was made by Chair Feuerstein to approve the minutes as posted, 2nd by Supervisor Moraga. Motion carried by voice vote.

Treasurers Report – Treasurer Gustafson gave the following treasurers report:

Checking Account	\$209,101.70
Savings Account	\$109,923.16**

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

A motion was made by Chair Feuerstein, 2nd by Supervisor Moraga to accept the Treasurers Report. Motion carried by voice vote.

Broadband Committee Report – Chair Feuerstein reported town attorney, Randy Nesbitt, reviewed and approved the BB contract with AT&T. The partnership will provide fiber to all residents in the town who want it. There will be five payments from the town;

1st payment 90 days after contract signing in the amount of \$291,212.20

2nd payment 25% of customers serviced in the amount of \$232,969.76

3rd payment 50% of customers serviced in the amount of \$186,375.81

4th payment 90% of customers serviced in the amount of 149,100.65

5th payment final completion in the amount of \$596,402.58

Chair Feuerstein is working with the Board of Public Lands to secure funding. A grant from the County in the amount of \$18,650.00 and the ARPA funds \$86,874.90 will be used. Jessica Hatch added that the interest the Board of Public Lands receives goes to public libraries.

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

- DC Economic Development Corp continues to recruit employees for local manufacturing companies and improve housing for these people
- Approved Miller Art Museum building's occupancy agreement. The museum will move to a separate facility, freeing up space for the library.
- Beginning work on 2025 budget draft for capital improvement plan
- Created ordinance to change speed limit on Cty Rd A

Roads and/or Parks:

Completed road projects - Nothing.

Pending road projects: Grind and repave South Lake Michigan Drive, approximately 5,750 ft by various widths from 14 ft. to 16 ft between Lake Lane and Silverdale Rds for an estimate of \$132,560.00. Road scheduled to be closed for one day, September 30th.

SLMD resident, Kris Peterson, asked if the town has considered a speed study. The current speed limit sign is a *recommended* speed limit of 15MPH. Supervisor Moraga volunteered to investigate the cost of an engineering speed study and will bring that info to the next meeting.

Chair Feuerstein recommended a Fall Road Tour. He will reach out to Board members for a date that will fit everyone's schedule. When the date is selected, a notice will be posted on the town website and at the Arle Memorial Hall.

Old Business:

Removal of obstructions from Dretzer in Cromell's Grove: Letters were sent to seven property owners on July 29, 2024 asking all encroachments on Dretzer be removed in 30 days. Rose Hayes asked if the town could clearly mark Dretzer by getting it surveyed. Chair Feuerstein made a motion, 2nd by Supervisor Moraga to pursue legal representation for the town and proceed with a survey of Dretzer. Motion approved.

Discontinuance of Parcel 024-40-0051 South Lake Michigan Drive – Randall Oettinger, representing Kevin Rea asked the town to consider an exchange of property at the intersection of South Lake Michigan Trail and South Lake Michigan Drive. There were several SLMD residents in attendance who opposed this request, stating those areas are used for parking by construction companies, service vehicles, and allow more room for snowplows and emergency vehicles. The road narrows in that area and is on a blind corner. Supervisor Moraga recommended a site visit by the board to review the area before any decision is made. A site visit will be scheduled, and details posted on both the town website and at the Arle Memorial Hall. The public is welcome to attend.

New Business:

Status of AT&T BB Contract:

A motion was made by Chair Feuerstein to accept AT&T's BB contract in the amount of \$1,456,061.00, payable over 20 years and pursue funding. Motion was approved by Supervisor Moraga. Motion carried.

Correspondence: None

Public Comment: Pam Kraase extended special thanks to Jessica Hatch and Hugh Zettle for securing the BB grant from the County, along with their assistance to the BB committee and the town over the past 1 ½ years.

Following the approval of bills, a motion to adjourn at 7:34 p.m. was made by Chair Feuerstein, 2nd by Supervisor Moraga and carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Anschutz, Clerk