

Minutes - Town of Weyauwega

American Legion – 303 N Mill St, Weyauwega WI 54983

Apr 15, 2025

1. Call to Order

- a. Chairman/Dave Stelzner called to order the meeting of Town of Weyauwega at 6:19pm on Apr 15, 2025, at The American Legion.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

- a. We stood and said the pledge of allegiance during the Annual Meeting.

3. Roll call

- a. Clerk/Sonia Thede-Kramer conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Chairman/Dave Stelzner, Supervisor/John Neuman and Clerk/Sonia Thede-Kramer. The following persons were present via phone: Supervisor/Terry Wilz and Treasurer/Jodi Wilz.
- a. Public – Tom Cullen and Jack Jansen.

4. Approval of Minutes

- a. Board reviewed the minutes for Mar meeting. Motion to approve the Feb minutes by Supervisor/Terry Wilz, seconded by Supervisor/John Neuman, all ayes, motion carried.

5. Treasurers Report

- a. Treasurer/Jodi Wilz reported the interest stayed the same at 3.89%. Motion to approve the Treasurer's report by Supervisor/John Neuman, seconded by Supervisor/Terry Wilz, all ayes, motion carried.
- b. Transfer ARPA Funds: Clerk/Sonia Thede-Kramer reported that she filed the last report for the ARPA funds and explained using the remaining amount left for website renewal and construction on Galilee Rd. Now the funds of \$11,615.49 can be transferred from the ARPA account to Public Funds account. The account incurred interest, Treasurer/Jodi Wilz suggested to leave the funds in the account for now. Motion to transfer \$11,615.49 from ARPA Funds #8867 to Public Funds #8889 and leave interest in ARPA Funds #8867 by Supervisor/John Neuman, seconded by Supervisor/Terry Wilz, all ayes, motion carried.

6. Review of Vouchers & Authorize Payments

- a. Board reviewed the Vouchers & Payments report. Clerk/Sonia Thede-Kramer advised there are no extra surcharges on GFL Environmental the invoice. She explained that currently Town of Weyauwega are members of Wisconsin Towns Association (WTA), but there is a request to be members of Town Advocacy Council (TAC) for an extra fee. She confirmed to the board that this group is the lobbying group that is part of WTA. Motion to renew the membership for Wisconsin Towns Association (WTA) and to not accept to be members of Town Advocacy Council by Supervisor/Terry Wilz, seconded by Supervisor/John Neuman, all ayes, motion carried. She explained what the relier fee is for Waupaca County, this is part of an election fee. Motion to approve vouchers and authorized payments of \$25,531.29 by Supervisor/Terry Wilz, seconded by Supervisor/John Neuman, all ayes, motion carried.

7. Zoning

- a. Chairman/Dave Stelzner advised the barn/shed at Sanger's property is still there and have not received any further information on it.
- b. There is a Planning and Zoning Committee Meeting on 5/1/25 and Supervisor/John Neuman will be attending. The main topic at this meeting is updating wording and other information on digestors. All board members are not against farm use only digestor. The board is against product from outside sources, where they do not know what is being put in the digestor. The new wording that is being asked to be added will be that townships will not have a say in what happens with new or current digestors; rights being taken away from townships. Supervisor/John Neuman asked Jackie Beyer from WTA for her advice. She is working on putting together information/letter for this issue.

8. Highway – Roads

- a. Haire Rd/County Rd A: Chairman/Dave Stelzner reported that Waupaca County have a plan in the next years to re-do County Rd A. County Rd A connects with Haire Rd. Looking at the possibility of doing

road work on Haire Rd at the same time as when Waupaca County does the road work on County Rd A. Looking to work with Hwy/Greg to possibly apply for grants, maybe ARIP.

- b. Bridge Maintenance Estimates: Received an estimate quote for the bridge on Railroad Grade Rd. The quote is for removing the bridge and polymer. Supervisor/John Neuman asked if the bridge needs to be replaced. Board reviewed the bridge report that was received. There are more questions regarding the quote for the bridge as the quote does not match the bridge report. Suggested to table this. Motion to table the bridge work order till after speaking with Hwy department as need to be up to code by Supervisor/Terry Wilz, seconded by Supervisor/John Neuman, all ayes, motion carried.

9. Fire District Report

- a. Chairman/Dave Stelzner attended the meeting that was held on 3/25/25. The first item that was on the agenda was purchasing new trucks 919 & 920. Gorchals wanted to table the purchase till September meeting. There was a motion to table then seconded before a discussion was done. The reason was that September is budget time. Supervisor/Terry Wilz said he remembers if waited the price to purchase will be more, around \$60,000 more. Chairman/Dave Stelzner showed the quotes that were passed out at the meeting. Public/Tom Cullen pointed out the pricings on the quotes. Chairman/Dave Stelzner made a comment that the Town of Royalton will have a new board and they don't know all the information on this situation. There have been 17 calls since last meeting, 38 year to date. No injuries with the fire calls and the fire department did a great job. An AAR report will be completed for the fire on Parker St. Grant updates: unsure of the status for grants from AFG FEMA for purchasing a tender/pumper combo is estimated at \$425,000 and \$37,500 for radios. There were 11 participants at the Firefighter experience.

10. Gold Cross Ambulance Report

- a. Next meeting is 4/30/25. Chairman/Dave Stelzner stated the Gold Cross is looking at putting together an advisory committee together. Thinking this will be a good thing. Chairman/Dave Stelzner, Supervisor/Terry Wilz and Supervisor/John Neuman will all attend meeting.

11. Waupaca Cty Hwy Dept

- a. Meeting: The meeting that was held on 3/10/25 was an appreciation meeting. They introduced several employees of the Highway Department. The highway department plows 19 townships, 72 miles. They went over the cost of road work. Took a tour of the facility.
- b. 2026 Budget Planning Request: Hwy Dept are looking at increasing the rates per mile for the next contract from \$1,000/mile to \$1,500/mile. Our township has 19.06 miles of road. They would like to know of any major road work our township is looking at doing this year.
- c. Board expressed the County Hwy Dept is very good and we have a good relationship with them.
- d. Public/Jack Jansen left at 7:15pm

12. Wolf River Preservation Meeting

- a. Chairman/Dave Stelzner and Supervisor/John Neuman attended the meeting on 3/6/25. Chairman/Dave Stelzner reported there has been a positive response on the new buoys having lights on them. They still have an issue with donations, buckets at local businesses. Chairman/Dave Stelzner suggested to increase the boat ramp fee and a portion goes to Wolf River Preservation. Chairman/Dave Stelzner asked what our township charges for raft permits. Clerk/Sonia Thede-Kramer advised it is \$27, which is for the permit, paperwork and supposed to go to the individual that inspects the rafts on the water. He suggested maybe increase raft permit and a portion go to Wolf River Preservation. Clerk/Sonia Thede-Kramer stated that there is only a profit of \$300 and a portion of that should be going to the individual that inspects. Public/Tom Cullen agreed with increasing the boat ramp fees.

13. Brightspeed – BEAD Letter

- a. Clerk/Sonia Thede-Kramer reminded the board of Brightspeed requesting support and sign a letter of support to install internet in the township. Board reviewed the letter of support. She explained that Brightspeed advised this is for high-speed fiber broadband internet. There is no charge to our township for this. Public/Tom Cullen stated that the service is not reliable at this time. Motion to sign the letter of support for Brightspeed to install high-speed fiber broadband internet by Supervisor/Terry Wilz, seconded by Supervisor/John Neuman, all ayes, motion carried.
- b. Public/Tom Cullen left at 7:47pm

14. Dog Pick Up Location

- a. Chairman/Dave Stelzner we received responses from other vet offices in the area and all have declined. Board asked Clerk/Sonia Thede-Kramer to send an email to WTA asking if we can update our dog ordinance and if the chairman is required to pick up stray dogs.
- b. Treasurer/Jodi Wilz reported that she had to pick up more dog tags for dog licenses. There have been 32 dog licenses issued; previous year issued 12.

15. Miscellaneous Business before Board

- a. Chairman/Dave Stelzner will work on filling in potholes around the township.

16. Public Input

- a. No Public input as they left.

17. Next meetings

- a. Gold Cross Ambulance, 4/30/25 at 6pm. Chairman/Dave Stelzner, Supervisor/Terry Wilz and Supervisor/John Neuman attending.
- b. Planning and Zoning Committee meeting, 5/1/25 at 9am. Supervisor/John Neuman attending.
- c. Board of Review, call to order and adjourn, 5/5/25 at 5:45pm. Assessor/Larry Preuss and all board members attending.
- d. All board members are ok with having the May monthly meeting on 5/5/25 at 6pm.

18. Adjournment

- a. Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:56pm by Supervisor/Terry Wilz, seconded by Supervisor/John Neuman, all ayes, motion carried.