

MINUTES OF TOWN OF PACIFIC BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, January 17, 2023 6:00 PM Held at the Pacific Town Hall

Call to Order: The regular meeting was called to order by Chairman Devine at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Chairman William Devine, Supervisors Cawley, Kayartz, Kershaw, and Pate were present.

Others Present: Clerk Gustafson, Treasurer Zimmerman, Town Attorney Miller, Town Engineer Roth, Adam Raschka and Matt Brown of Charter Communications, and many others were also present.

Verification of Public Notice: Clerk verified proper public notice was given.

Town Agenda: Motion by Cawley/Pate to approve the agenda as posted. All in favor by call of roll.

Prior Month's Town Board Minutes: Motion by Kayartz/Kershaw to approve the Town Board minutes of December 20, 2022 as presented. Motion carried by call of roll, Cawley abstained.

Building Permits Report: Provided for review.

Road Report: Nothing new to report.

Cemetery Report: There were no lot sales or funerals. Sexton Cawley plowed the cemetery on December 28th.

Solid Waste & Recycling Center Report: No complaints at the January meeting.

Building & Grounds Report: Supervisor Kershaw picked up a bag of sidewalk salt for the Town Hall entrances.

Sheriff's Report: There were 119 calls in December.

Correspondence: None.

Outside Meeting Attendance Report: None.

Report from Town Plan Commission: Draft minutes were provided from the January meeting.

Public Comments: None.

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Cawley/Pate to accept the Treasurer's Report. All in favor by call of roll.

Payment of Current Bills: Motion by Kershaw/Kayartz to approve payment of bills with checks numbered 16410 through 16438 and elec. draws 22-51 through 23-05 in the amount of \$1,609,692.50. All in favor by call of roll.

Investment Report: Supervisor Kershaw reported that the current mature investment of \$195,800.00 was renewed at 3.75% for a one-year term.

Ambulance Service Contract: Discussed the draft Agreement between Aspirus Wausau Hospital, Inc. and the City of Portage, Town of Caledonia, Town of Lewiston, and Town of Pacific for Advanced Life Support Ambulance Services. Discussed the draft Agreement for Emergency Ambulance Services offered by Pardeeville District Ambulance Service. Also discussed the City of Portage making a down payment on an order for three new ambulances for a possible

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future City of Portage Fire/Ambulance District. Motion Pate/Kayartz to enter into Agreement with Aspirus Wausau Hospital, Inc. Motion carried by call of roll, Cawley opposed.

Consider Broadband Expansion Partnership with Charter Communications: Adam Raschka and Matt Brown of Charter Communications were present to answer questions. Adam Raschka reported that the estimated total build cost to bring service to the remaining 326 homes in the Town would be \$1,159,418.00. Motion by Pate/Cawley to offer entering into a Direct Deal Partnership with Charter Communications to install fiber optic infrastructure to the remaining 326 homes for a cost share from the Town of Pacific of \$100,000.00. All in favor by call of roll.

DNR Request – Maintenance of Town Portion of Ontario Street: No further contact has been made or received.

Solid Waste Permit Applications: Applications for permits to dispose of solid waste in the Town were received and paid for by City of Wisconsin Dells, Columbia County Solid Waste, and GFL Solid Waste Midwest. Motion by Cawley/Pate to approve as presented. All in favor by call of roll.

Bella Island LLC – Erosion Control and Stormwater Management Permits for Accessory Building – Parcel 65.1 – 1164 Saddle Ridge: The Andersons did not provide any additional documents requested by the Plan Commission. Motion by Pate/Kayartz to approve the Erosion Control and Stormwater Management permits. All in favor by call of roll.

Charter Communications – Erosion Control and Work in Town Right-of-Way Permits – W7934 Jodi Drive: Motion by Kayartz/Cawley to approve the Erosion Control and Work in Town ROW permits. All in favor by call of roll.

Ordinance Amending Chapter 345 Roads and Rights-of-Way: Motion by Pate/Kayartz to table. Motion carried by call of roll, Kershaw and Devine opposed.

Reschedule February Town Board Meeting: The next Town Board meeting is on the same date as the Spring Primary election. Motion by Kayartz/Cawley to reschedule the February Town Board meeting to Wednesday, February 22, 2023 at 6:00 PM. All in favor by call of roll.

Correspondence from Town Engineer: Town Engineer Robert Roth filed a letter with the Town Chair asking for formal action against Supervisor Pate for demeaning comments made by email and in person. Supervisor Cawley asked Supervisor Pate to be kinder to Town Engineer Roth, and Supervisor Pate agreed. No formal action was taken.

Adjourn: Motion by Kayartz/Cawley to adjourn at 7:24 p.m. All in favor by call of roll.

Marlo Gustafson, WCMC, Town Clerk