

Proceedings of the Town of Pine Lake Board Meeting held on March 15, 2023, at 6:30 p.m., in the Pine Lake Community Building, Fire Department Meeting Room #1, 4197 River Road.

Notice of meeting was posted in two (2) locations within the Town of Pine Lake and on the town website at www.townofpinelake.com according to Wisconsin Statutes.

Present: Chairman Jim Flory, Supervisors Tim Oestreich, Ron Lueneburg, Treasurer Cory Hoffmann and Clerk Cindy Skinner.

Absent: Brian Gehrig, Jennifer Cordy

Chairman Flory called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Motion by Ron Lueneburg to approve the agenda and the chairman to move items around, second by Tim Oestreich. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion by Ron Lueneburg to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2023, Town Board Meeting, second by Jim Flory. Motion carried by voice vote.

Larry Sparling representing YMCA. The Hodag Run is scheduled for June 24, 2023, using the same route as previously used from Hodag Park to Lakview Drive to Bozile Road to Manor Road and return to Hodag Park. Motion by Jim Flory to approve the route presented, second by Ron Lueneburg. Motion carried by voice vote.

County Supervisor report. Diana Harris had no report as the county board meets next week. A committee has been formed at the county level to study the Pelican River Project.

Library Report. Diana Harris reported that February traffic was up at the library 21.4% from 2022. Pine Lake had 801 checkouts in January and 783 checkouts in February – total 1,584 for 2023. Beginning May 1st, the library will have state park passes to lend out. The Annual Library Report was emailed to the clerk late today.

Constable Report. Jake Nitzel reported that he had contacted the dog owners with the dogs running at large complaints, of which there have been several, to let them know that if the violation continues the sheriff's department will be brought in. Since then there have been no more complaints or videos posted. He had a complaint regarding a pothole.

Citizens Concerns. A resident reported that the ice has pushed up the asphalt on the Moen Lake boat landing. He also pointed out several potholes on Shepard Lake Road. He inquired as to mutual aid with regards for the request to purchase a new fire truck. Ryan Larsen explained how mutual aid works.

Jeff Seabloom, 4015 Shady Point Dr, asked where the town was on the development of Maple Street – platted road off Shady Point Dr. Jim Flory had contacted the town's attorney and the response was discussed. Jim will get more clarification from the attorney and include Jeff in the conversation. To be on the April agenda.

Pelican River Forest Project Resolution. A resident spoke in favor of the conservation easement by the DNR and felt it was a win/win situation for the area. Discussion re: possible development along STH 17. Jim tabled until the April meeting to allow the absent supervisors to weigh in.

Jim Flory appointed Deb Winchell to the Plan Commission to complete the vacant term ending April, 30, 2023.

Financial Report. Cory Hoffmann reported – Book Balance – 1/31/2023 - \$3,048,947.31, Income as of 2/28/2023 - \$153,821.29, Expenses as of 2/28/2023 - \$1,702,840.20, Book Balance – 2/28/2023 - \$1,499,928.40. Peoples Checking Balance - \$1,362,393.52. Peoples Money Market Balance - \$137,534.88. Bank Balance 2/28/2023 - \$1,499,928.40

Motion by Jim Flory to amend the 2023 budget – move \$120.00 from the Fire Station #2 Special Lights Project Reserves to the 2023 budget, second by Ron Lueneburg. Motion carried by voice vote.
Discussion as to pre-paying part of the loan received for the River Road project that the town received from LRIP grant money in the amount of \$599,963.00. Motion by Ron Lueneburg to pre-pay a portion of the loan from BCPL in the amount of \$600,000, second by Jim Flory. Roll call vote taken – Ron Lueneburg, aye, Tim Oestreich, aye, Jim Flory, aye. Motion carried with 3 ayes and 0 no. Two were absent.

Highway Shop Committee Report. Tim Oestreich reported that Pitlik & Wick was working on the bid specs for the chip sealing projects and the town hall parking lot replacement. Larson Roofing was contacted to get an estimate for the roof replacement on the sand/salt shed.

Motion by Jim Flory to approve the Truck County equipment quote of \$122,200 for the new patrol truck, second by Tim Oestreich. Motion carried by voice vote.

Outdoor Recreation and Park Committee Report. None

Building and Grounds Report. None

Fire Department Report. Ryan Larsen reported that February had 30 EMS calls and 8 fire calls. He thanked the board members for attending the appreciation dinner. Red Power will be coming in April to do the maintenance checkups. An update on items for a new fire truck that included the upgrade to another engine after a certain date. Two used trucks were located – 2012 for \$549,000 and 2010 for \$425,000. Ryan suggested that the board could use the reserve funds to help pay off the balance of the current 2017 fire truck loan and sell the older truck to use the funds towards a used vehicle. He also requested that the board set a number that the department can work with for another truck.

Set dump openings for 2023. Last weekend of April and first two weekends of May, the first weekends of June, July and August, first two weekends of September and October and the first weekend of November. These are full Friday, Saturday and Sunday weekends. To be posted at the usual places, on the website and it was suggested to post at both the dump entrances.

Board of Review schedule. Due to the assessor not getting the records from the county possibly as late as April, Board of Review will have to be scheduled later than usual. With the new requirement for annual training, the board will take advantage of virtual training from the WI Towns Association on May 1st at 6:30 p.m. and will set up in the town hall.

Communications. Wisconsin Towns Association Workshop on May 9th in Minocqua. Another cell tower is being installed behind the Nativity building across from Hodag Countryfest.

Jim Flory received notices for two public hearings from the county for Ordinance amendments.

Motion by Jim Flory to approve the March vouchers for payment, second by Ron Lueneburg. Motion carried by voice vote.

Annual meeting is scheduled for April 18, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. in Fire Station #1 Meeting Room.

The next town board meeting is scheduled for April 19, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Motion by Ron Lueneburg to adjourn, second by Tim Oestreich. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Cindy Skinner, Clerk