

TOWN OF LA POINTE
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2014
5:30PM AT TOWN HALL
Approved Minutes as submitted 1-28-14

Called to order at 5:32pm

Present: Jim Patterson, Greg Nelson, Ham Ross, Marty Curry

Absent: Nick Nelson

Staff present: Pete Clark, Kristian Larsen

Public Present: Michael Starck, Jim Peters, Paul Brummer, Scott Grabarek, William Hagen

I. Public Comment A*: None

II. Town Administrator's Report: Presented by Administrator Pete Clark and placed on file by Unanimous Consent. Discussion included the Senate Bill 299 will hopefully be passed on the 15th of January, and then hopefully the Assembly will follow.

III. Public Works

A. Roads

1. Foreman's Report January 2014: Presented by Kristian Larsen and placed on file by Unanimous Consent. Discussion included water lines at the Library freezing, new Foreman K. Larsen learning the ropes and taking care of business.

2. Receipt of Notice of Resignation: Informative to acknowledge resignation of Road Mechanic, effective March 3, 2014. Replacement process to begin soon. Motion to accept resignation, with regret: HR/ JP 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. Parks: Nothing at this time.

C. MRF

1. MRF Supervisor's Report: H. Ross requests information on status of aluminum and cost of its storage in Bayfield. P. Clark to follow up. Unanimous Consent to place Report dated January 11, 2014 on file.

IV. Committees

A. Zoning

1. ZA's Report: Report dated December 1- December 31, 2013 placed on file by Unanimous Consent.

2. Planning and Zoning Report: 2013. Motion to place 2013 Year Report on file HR/ MC 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

V. Town Hall Administration

A. Chairman Nelson Response to Suggestions of Conflict:
Chairman Nelson wanted to clarify that he did not have a conflict in the hiring of the new Town Foreman, and address concerns related to the issue. Supervisor Curry publically apologized for accusations he had made.

B. Rescind Resolution Passed on 8/24/2010 and Replace with Resolution #2014-0114:
Contacting Town Attorney: Resolution to limit contact with Town Attorney, time of contact, and

contacting process, making sure to use advice from Wisconsin Towns Association first. Town Board members are not fully in agreement with the Resolution. Discussion included that there does need to be common sense guidelines that should be followed (not overusing the attorney, thus spending more money than necessary), but the details of the Resolution may be too restricting. Supervisor Curry does not support of the Resolution, and submitted written comments addressing issues to public record.

Motion to Table agenda item V.B: Resolution #2014-0114 HR/MC 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VI. Vouchers: Motion to accept vouchers in the amount of \$1,036,404.57 JP/ HR 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VII. Alternative Claims: Motion to approve Alternative Claims in the amount of \$118,466.04 and \$4,155.02 for the Library MC/ JP 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

VIII. Treasurer's Report: Motion to accept Treasurer's Cash Summary as of December 31, 2013 with a total amount of \$1,870,697.40 and a Total Checking Account Balance of \$416,584.40. JP/ MC 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

IX. Minutes

A. Regular Town Board Meeting December 26, 2013:

Motion to accept Regular Town Board Meeting Minutes for December 26, 2013 with one spelling change (Starck not *Starch*) HR/ JP 3 Ayes, 1 Abstain (M. Curry) Motion Carried.

B. Special Town Board Meeting December 30, 2013:

Motion to accept Special Town Board Meeting minutes for December 30, 2013. JP/ HR 3 Ayes 1 Abstain (M. Curry) Motion Carried.

X. Police

A. Police Department

1. Police Chief's Report:

Unanimous Consent to place the January 2014 Monthly Police Report on file.

XI. Emergency Services

A. Fire Chief's Report:

Unanimous Consent to place the Fire Chiefs Report for 12/10/13 to 1/7/2014 on file.

XII. Public Comment B:** None

XIII. Lawsuits & Legal Issues: None

XIV. New Agenda Items for Future Meetings

Contacting Town Attorney Resolution

Grants

Possible consideration of Attorney retirement, finding new attorney

Possible closed session with attorney Fauerbach in regards to possible litigation

XV. Adjourn at 6:26pm HR/ JP 4 Ayes, Motion Carried.

Submitted by Micaela Montagne, Town Clerk

Approved as Submitted 1-28-14, Micaela Montagne, Town Clerk