

**TOWN OF LA POINTE**  
**REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2013**  
**5:30PM AT TOWN HALL**  
Approved as submitted 12-26-13

**Called to order** at 5:30 PM

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

**Staff present:** Pete Clark

**Public Present:** Michael Starch, Evan Erickson

**I. Public Comment A\***

Jim Patterson brought up a possible agenda item for the future regarding a repeal of Act 1, the Mining Legislation. The topic will be looked into with a possibility of a Resolution from the Town Board.

**II. Town Administrator's Report:** written report will be available at next meeting. Administrator Clark had been working on the agenda items, and will discuss as they come up.

**III. Public Works**

**A. Roads**

1. County Gravel: Decision is to wait until 2015 to revisit the purchase of the County Gravel stockpiled at the airport since the Town already owns some of it, and there is no hurry.

**B. MRF**

1. MRF Supervisor's Report: Placed on file by Unanimous Consent. Discussion included aluminum. All of the Town's aluminum at the Recycle Facility will be moved off the Island before the last boat of the season, and will be stored until prices are up at the beginning of next year.

**IV. Committees**

**A. Zoning**

1. ZA's Report: Unanimous Consent to place the report dated Nov 1- Nov 30, 2013 on file.

**V. Town Hall Administration**

**A. Budget Report:** Motion to place the November Budget Summary Report on file HR/ JP 5A Motion Carried.

**B. 2013 Budget Amendment #6:** Motion to adopt Budget Amendment Resolution #2013-6 NN/ JP 5A Motion Carried.

**C. Set 2014 Wage Rates:** suggested changes by Administrator Clark were accepted and will be on the Wage Resolution next Regular Town Board Meeting. Most of the changes were as per the department heads during budget time. Discussion also included taking away some of the wages for EMT continuing education on the basis that they are volunteers and not Town employees. Administrator Clark believes that this payment may need to be the responsibility of the EMTs. Not all Board members agree, and thus P. Clark is to discuss this further with the Ambulance Director to get more information prior to making any decisions.

**D. Discuss & finalize the 2014 Budget per the tax levy-voted by the Townspeople:** Administrator Clark recommends the Board approve the 2014 budget where it stands, with the levy and highway expenditures approved by the Townspeople. Motion to approve the 2014 Budget per the tax levy-voted by the Townspeople at the Special Town Meeting on December 2, 2013 with the Revenue and Expenditures both at \$2,620,173.00 and a levy limit of \$1,666,852.00. JP/ MC 5A Motion Carried.

**E. Resolution #2013-1210: Use of 1.5% Accommodation Tax Collections:** Motion to approve Resolution #2013-1210 HR/ NN 5A Motion Carried.

**F. Room Tax Expenditure Report from Chamber of Commerce:** discussion on the issue, M. Curry just wants to see the money spent for all tourism, not just members of the Chamber.

**G. MIFL Dock Lease:** This is the lease for the next 15 years with a fixed 3% increase each year. Other new things include MIFL paying for their portion of the electrical. Motion to approve the Madeline Island Ferry Line Dock Lease with the Town of La Pointe HR/ NN 5A Motion Carried.

**H. 2013-2014 Winter Transportation Agreement with Bayfield School District:** Approved by the School District at their 12-9-13 meeting, but not available to the Board yet. Will appear on the next agenda.

**I. 2013-2014 Winter Transportation Agreement with Madeline Island Ferry Line:** approved and signed by MIFL, but they are out of town, so will also be on the next agenda for the Town's approval.

**J. Maitland, Singler & Van Vlack, S.C. Audit Agreement:** Motion to approve and authorize the Town Chair to sign the Audit Agreement with Maitland, Singler & Van Vlack, S.C. NN/ JP 4A (one out of room) Motion Carried. Discussion included how they have done an excellent job in the past.

**VI. Vouchers:** Motion to approve vouchers in the amount of \$15,015.73 (presented amount \$15,778.17 – one unapproved voucher in the amount of \$762.44) JP/ NN 5A Motion Carried.

**VII. Alternative Claims:** Motion to approve Alternative Claims in the amount of \$92,880.46 and \$3,695.08 for the Library MC/ JP 5A Motion Carried.

### **VIII. Treasurer's Report:**

Will be presented at the next Regular Town Board Meeting (12-26-13).

### **IX. Minutes**

A. Regular Town Board Meeting November 26, 2013: Motion to approve minutes as submitted JP/ MC 3A 2 abstain (HR and NN) Motion Carried.

B. Public Hearing December 2, 2013: Unanimous Consent to place Public Hearing minutes on file.

C. Special Town Meeting December 2, 2013: to be approved by the Townspeople at the Annual Town Meeting. Unanimous consent to place on file until then.

D. Special Town Board Meeting December 2, 2013: Motion to approve minutes as submitted NN/ MC 4A (one abstain) Motion Carried.

## **X. Police**

### **A. Police Department**

1. Police Chief's Report: Unanimous Consent to place on file. Discussion included the possibility of moving the Police office to the EMS/ Terminal building where there is open office space available. No decision made, Town Board thinks it is up to the Police to decide.

## **XI. Emergency Services**

A. Fire Chief's Report: Unanimous Consent to place on file.

B. Ambulance Director's Report: not available at this time.

**XII. Public Comment B\*\*:** Nick Nelson apologizes for the video streaming not working, would like it as a future agenda item to discuss it.

**XIII. Lawsuits & Legal Issues:** None

## **XIV. New Agenda Items for Future Meetings**

Repeal of Act 1, possibility of a Resolution (JP)

Treasurer's Report

Video Streaming

Public use of workout equipment, possibility of moving it to the Rec Center in the winter (MC)

La Pointe Flag creation (MC)

**XV. Adjourn** at 6:46pm MC/NN 5A Motion Carried.

\*This portion of public comment is restricted to one minute in length. For those wishing to speak for longer than one minute, that item appears later in the agenda.

\*\* Public Comment which is longer than one minute

Submitted by Micaela Montagne, Town Clerk

Approved as Submitted, Micaela Montagne, Town Clerk 12-26-13