

**TOWN OF LA POINTE  
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING  
FEBRUARY 25th, 2025  
5:00PM at Town Hall**

Minutes

**Town Board Members Present:** Chair Glenn Carlson, Supervisor Michael Anderson, Supervisor Aimée Baxter, Supervisor Sue Brenna, Supervisor Samantha Dobson

**Staff Present:** Airport Manager Paul Wilharm, Town Administrator Max Imholte, Zoning Administrator Ed Schaffer, Town Clerk Alex Smith

**Public Present:** Lauren Schuppe, John Carlson, Paul Brummer, Elena Bangeeva-Erickson, Jim Peters (via zoom)

**Call to Order:** at 5:00pm

**I. Public Comment A\***

Paul Brummer mentioned the article in the Island Gazette about the Wastewater Treatment Plan and Sanitary Sewer Improvements did not include any numbers.

Lauren Schuppe notified the public that there is a school presentation for improvements that is a referendum in the upcoming election. The meeting is Tuesday, March 4th at 5pm.

Sue Brenna thanked the windsled and ice road crew for their hard work.

**II. Administrative Reports**

A. Town Administrator's Report: Placed on file by unanimous consent.

**III. Public Works**

A. Roads, Dock, Harbor: Nothing to report at this meeting.

B. Parks: Nothing to report at this meeting.

**IV. Committees**

A. Planning and Zoning

1. Changes to Ordinance 205 (First Reading):

The Town Board conducted the first reading of the possible changes to Ordinance 205 recommended by the Town Plan Commission. No action was taken.

B. Committee Minutes: Placed on file by unanimous consent.

**V. Town Hall Administration**

A. Budget Summary Report:

Motion to approve the budget summary report, S. Dobson/M. Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. Authorize additional application for capital projects borrowing:

Glenn Carlson clarified the rationale behind additional capital projects borrowing and the additional \$800,000. Motion to authorize the Town Administrator to pursue loan options with either Bremer or Board of Commissioners of Public Lands, A. Baxter/S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

C. Award Bid/Approve Contract for 2025 Tree Removal:

Motion to award C.A Nelson and

Son Dock Construction and approve contract for 2025 Tree Removal, M. Anderson/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

**VI. Vouchers**

A. Town of La Pointe:

Motion to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$102,231.96, M. Anderson/S. Dobson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

**VII. Alternative Claims**

A. September 2024:

Motion to approve the September 2024 alternative claims in the amount of \$162,996.63, M. Anderson/S. Dobson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. January 2025:

Motion to approve the January 2025 alternative claims in the amount of \$1,541,296.30, M. Anderson/S. Dobson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

**VIII. Treasurer's Report**

A. December 2024 Report: Deferred.

B. January 2025 Report: Deferred.

**IX. Minutes**

A. Regular Town Board Meeting - February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Motion to approve the minutes from 2/11 as presented, S. Brenna/A. Baxter, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

**X. Emergency Services**

A. Fire Department

1. Ashland County Sheriff eDispatches MOU:

Motion to approve the Ashland County Sheriff eDispatches MOU, M. Anderson/S. Dobson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

B. Ambulance

1. Approve sale of EKG monitor:

Motion to approve the sale unless the clinic can use, A. Baxter/S. Brenna, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried.

**XI. Public Comment B\*\***

John Carlson requested a spelling correction of his name in the minutes. He also voiced concerns with the financials of the ferry/town. He suggested the Town Board watch the recording of the recent Affordable Housing Advisory Committee meeting.

**XII. Liquor Licenses:** Nothing to report at this meeting.

**XIII. Lawsuits & Legal Issues**

The Town Board may go into closed session during the meeting for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved in accordance with to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 (1)(g). After the completion of the closed session, the Board will come back into open session to act upon the discussion in the closed session or otherwise complete the business of the meeting before adjourning.

A. Petition with Ashland County Circuit Court case Regarding Ashland County Tax Levy

B. Sargent Claim vs Town of La Pointe

No closed session. No new updates at this time.

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

Open Bids for Dust Abatement and Trash Compactor Replacement

Treasurer's Reports

**XV. Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn, S. Brenna/M, Anderson, 5 Ayes, Motion Carried. 5:28PM

**Submitted by Town Clerk, Alex Smith.**

**Approved as submitted. 3/11/25**