

TOWN OF ANDERSON
Monthly Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes
For the July 13, 2021 Meeting

Call to order by Jeremy Gronski at 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Jim Loomis.

Affidavit of Posting signed by Jeremy Gronski.

Motion for Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Jeremy Gronski to approve the agenda and seconded by Jim Loomis. Motion carried.

Approval of June 8, 2021 Meeting Minutes

There was a correction made by Patsy Tucker to Treasures report. There was a typo in the total we had in checking. It should have read, "We have \$30,009.49" and not \$30,09.49. Motion made by Jeremy Gronski to approve minutes as corrected. Jim Loomis seconded. Motion carried.

Burnett County District 4 Supervisor update

Ramona Moody wasn't able to make the meeting but has send the update to the Town Clerk. It is attached.

Assessor's contract – Bob Pardun

There was a \$500 increase for the 2022 contract, bring the total to \$7,500. This will be posted for rebid next year. Motion to approve contract as it by Jim Loomis. Seconded by Jeremy Gronski. Motion carried. Jeremy Gronski signed the contract.

Treasurer's Report

Patsy Tucker gave the Treasures report. We have \$29,752.51 in checking and \$67,152.33 in the money market. This includes the \$20,933.71 from the ARPA grant funding we received.

Fire Association Report

Tim Harman wasn't at the meeting but had informed the Annette Bethke that there was nothing new to report.

Chairman's Report

Discussion on moving Board meeting date. Jeremy Gronski has family obligations during the Winter. He suggested moving the Board meetings to Wednesday nights. He will let us know at the September meeting if we need to move it or if he will be able to make the meetings as scheduled.

Open bids for paving

Nick from Monarch Paving was there to present his bid. Jim Bethke has met with him earlier to go over what we needed done. One of the things discussed was if we should go with a 2 or 3 inch depth. We were given a bid for both. Monarch has already moved out of our area so we will need to wait until next year. He will honor the bid price for next year if we signed within 30 day. They were the only bid.

Resolution for supporting ARP grant for Farmers Independent Telephone company

Terry Kucera from Farmer Independent Telephone Company (Grantsburg Telcom), brought a resolution that he wanted the Board to sign in support of the them bringing Broadban to the residents of the Town of Anderson. This resolution will be part of a grant application that they are applying for. There is no money being requested only support. There were two changes made to resolution. Jeremy Gronski motioned to approved the resolution with the changes. Jim Loomis seconded it. Motion carried. Jeremy Gronski signed the resolution.

Large Livestock Town Partnership – Kristy Allen

This is a group that is for technical support only. They are helping to gather information from serval of the small towns in the area so that the towns have an information source to go to, to find out what other towns have done in the same situations. One of these is well water testing for residents to have a base line in case a large company should come in and damage our ground water. Trade Lake has already started to have their residents wells tested by Steven Point. Kristy Allen will draft a letter for the Town of Anderson to send out to our residents about the cost and how to get a test. The cost is \$60 a well. They resident will be responsible to pick up a test and send it for testing.

Jeremy Gronski motioned to have the Town of Anderson pay up to \$30 for each resident that wanted to have their well tested. Jim Loomis seconded. Motion carried.

Planning Commission

A budget of \$1,000 for Planning Commission expenses was motioned by Jeremy Gronski and seconded by Jim Loomis. Motion carried.

A per diem per of \$25 per meeting was motioned by Jim Loomis and seconded by Jeremy Gronski. Motion carried.

Clerks Information

The ARPA grant was successfully submit and we received the first installment of funds. We will need to keep track of how spend this money as reports will need to be made to the State of Wisconsin. We will also need to figure out what we can us the money on and then decide how we want it spent.

Forestry Report

A Forestry management profit and loss statement is being worked on by the Annette Bethke. This is taking a while do it being all in paper form and trying to get all the information together.

Capital Plan

The land sale is progressing. There was some title work that needed to be corrected but everything is moving forward and should be done soon.

Road Maintenance Report/Projects for the Month

Mowing and grading are being done. The contract for crushing still needed to be signed and turned in. Crushing has been pushed back to end of July or the first part of August.

There are 3 applicants for the part-time maintenance positions. These will be looked at by the Board.

Kristy Allen is having issues with the culverts by her house. They are flooding her basement every time it rains. Jeremy Gronski and Jim Bethke said they would look into it to see what can be done. Part of the issue is that she is on the border line between Town of Anderson and Trade Lake.

Bids for mowing of Town Hall

Jeremy Gronski is mowing the Town Hall yard now for \$35 a time. He will call some places to see if we can get someone else to do it.

Public Comment

Marcy Marco is from the Large Livestock Town Partnership group and asked if they could do a 10 minute presentation at the August Board Meeting to explain what they do. This was agreed upon.

Jim Loomis asked about getting the US flag that hangs on the wall in the Town Hall cleaned. He said this needs to be displayed with pride.

Heritage Road update

Mike, from the county, has all the files and has a contact to have the bridge removed. He will oversee the project.

Administrative session

Working on the P&L for the township and for Bell Timber.

Auditing of Bills / Approve Payment of June Bills.

There was some discussion on the cost of the ambulance contract. But there was not much that we could do about it. Jeremy Gronski motioned to pay the June bills. Jim Loomis seconded it. Motion carried.

Next Board Meeting / Date: August 10, 2021.

Motion to Adjourn.

Jeremy Gronski motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 pm. Jim Loomis seconded it. Motion carried.

Burnett County District 4 Supervisor Update 7/13/2021:

Health & Community Services Committee

As of July 2, 2021, Burnett County has 1,591 positive Covid cases since March 2020. 45.9% of Burnett County residents have received at least one dose the covid vaccine and 43.9% of Burnett County residents have completed the vaccination series. HCS continues to struggle with employee turnover and still has one vacancy left to fill at this time.

Land Use Committee

The Land Use committee has not had any campground CUPs applied for due to the campground moratorium, which as been extended for an additional 3 months to allow time to complete their review process of the current County ordinances and make any necessary recommended changes.

Natural Resources Committee

Livestock Siting Ordinance Review/update: Supervisor Conroy has completed the ordinance review and the Natural Resources Committee has approved the proposed changes. This will now go for a public hearing through the Land Use Committee on August 3, 2021 at 9am due to the propose agriculture zoning district changes.

Drought is causing more damage to the crops than wildlife at this time.

There has been approximately \$787,000 in timber sales this year.

Comparing timber sales year-to-date last year at \$697,000.

Infrastructure Committee

Fuel sales at the air port have been doing very well.

Budget for both the County building (maintenance) and for the Highway department looks good.

The air show will be Saturday July 24th.

Two Bridge aids were approved for culvert replacements for the Town of Grantsburg and for the Town of Wood River.

Public Safety project for the proposed new jail has been moving forward and will continue to bring information to the County Board. The preliminary project will be 65,000sqft and will cost \$28.8m - \$32.6m. The committee is continuing to look at project design with hopes of cutting the cost down to \$25-\$27m

The Public Safety committee reported the Sheriff's Department has been using the drone, which helped locate 2 missing people, they are happy to report both individuals are safe.

This is the time of year when the County will conduct a complete audit and go through budgets for 2022 for all department.