

TOWN OF ANDERSON
Monthly Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes
MONDAY, November 7, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall

Call to order by Jim Loomis at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jim Loomis.

Affidavit of Posting signed by Jim Loomis.

Motion for Approval of Agenda

James Mielke motioned to approve the meeting agenda as written. Jim Loomis seconded. Motion carried.

Approval of October 11, 2022 Meeting Minutes

James Mielke motioned to approve the October 11, 2022 meeting minutes as written. Jim Loomis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Burnett County District 4 Supervisor update

Ramona Moody present the Burnett County District 4 Supervisor update. Please see attached for details.

Treasurer's Report

Patsy Tucker gave the treasurer's report. The Town of Anderson has \$26,219.07 in checking and \$153,863.53 in the money market for total assets of \$180,082.60. This reconciles with bank statements.

Fire Association Report

Nothing to report.

Chairman's Report

The discussion of the 2023 budget was put on hold as Jeremy Gronski wasn't at the meeting. A budget hearing was set for Monday, November 21 at 6:00 pm to finalize and approve the 2023 budget.

The snow plowing agreement with the Town of Grantsburg was discussed. The Town of Anderson will plow Fish Lake road west of Hwy 87 and Hickerson, Shogren and Lang Roads all south of Fish Lake Road. This will be billed out monthly. James Mielke motioned to approve the agreement. Jim Loomis seconded it. Motion carried.

Clerks Information

Annette Bethke explained that the Burnett County will be doing a mandatory audit for all municipalities on Wednesday, November 16th. This is to show that what the voting machine counts are and the manual counts of the ballots are the same. Annette Bethke, Holly Frye (Chief Inspector) and Joan Quimby (election worker) will be going to the county to do this audit.

Forestry Report

Nothing to report.

Capital Plan

Nothing to report.

Road Maintenance Report/Projects for the Month

Jim Bethke asked the Board to approve an increase for Walter and Darcy while they are plowing snow only. They need to come in very early and work late to make sure the roads are clear. James Mielke motioned to approve a \$3/hour increase for plowing only for both Walter and Darcy. Jim Loomis seconded the motion. Motion carried. Ramona Moody commented that she was happy to see that the Town of Anderson was taking care of its maintenance workers as it is very hard to find people who are trained and willing to plow snow.

Public Comment

Nothing to report/

Administrative session

The budget hearing meeting to approve budget is set for November 21, 2022 at 6:00 pm at the town hall.

Auditing of Bills / Approve Payment of November Bills.

Jim Loomis motioned to approve the November bills in the amount of \$22,680.50. James Mielke seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Agenda Items for Next Board Meeting / Date: Tuesday, December 13, 2022

Jim Loomis asked about having Bruce from the Burnett County Fair Board present at a Board meeting. It was agreed that we will wait until after the new year.

Motion to Adjourn

James Mielke motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m.. Jim Loomis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Burnett County District 4 Supervisor Update 11/7/2022:

Land Use Committee:

The Land Use Committee had 2 conditional use permits come before them and 1 that was postponed to next month's meeting.

One Conditional Use Permit was denied and one was approved

The Committee approved the Burnett County Comprehensive Plan Public Participation Plan.

This outlines how the County is to communicate with the public during the updating of the County's comprehensive plan.

Tia Bowe – Parcel Mapping/GIS Analyst: Parcel mapping in the Town of Webb Lake is now complete. Tia is correcting issues she encountered during mapping. The next in line for mapping will be the Town of Anderson (East), where she will begin by digitizing water and Public Land Survey System features.

Health & Community Services committee:

The National Association of Counties encourages all counties, parishes, and boroughs to recognize Operation Green Light for Veterans. Therefore, Burnett County HHS supports the specific recognition through Operation Green Light by encouraging you all to recognize and honor veterans by displaying a green light in a window of their office space or residence for the week of Veterans Day (November 7th through the 11th), in honor of all Veterans.

HHS continues to recruit for 5 positions.

Public Health is continuing to offer COVID testing on Mondays from 9-11 and Wednesdays from 1-4 pm. Testing has moved to the Airport Terminal for the winter months.

Infrastructure Committee:

In October the fiber and 25 pair copper cable between the Government Center and the Airport Terminal building – owned by Burnett County – were accidentally broken during construction excavation. The cables could not be repaired. The replacement fiber was installed on 2 November.

The Highway department continues to have employee turnover, in addition of staff vacancies they are also requesting to refill the vacant Highway Commissioner position.

Natural Resources Committee:

The committee was given information on the 2022 Deer Donation Program. Lock & Load, here in the Town of Anderson, is the only processor in Burnett County participating in the program. All donated venison is ground into burger and the food shelves are eagerly ready to accept as much as hunters are willing to donate.

Highly invasive water hyacinth was found in Memory Lake Park. Luckily, the AIS Team that identified Water Hyacinth was successful in removal the invasive and have been thoroughly inspecting the area for any evidence of growth.

The Monarch Butterfly has been added to the Endangered Species list.

Total timber sales including stumpage through the end of October 2022 are just over \$1.7 million. Compared to last year at this time was just over \$1.2 million