

TOWN OF ANDERSON
Monthly Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 14, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall

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

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jeremy Gronski.

Affidavit of Posting signed by Jeremy Gronski.

Motion for Approval of Agenda

Jeremy Gronski motioned to approve the agenda as written. James Mielke seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of January 10, 2023 Meeting Minutes

James Mielke motioned to approve the January 10, 2023 meeting minutes as written. Jim Loomis seconded. Motion carried.

Burnett County District 4 Supervisor update

Please see attached for details.

Treasurer's Report

Patsy Tucker gave the Treasure's report. The Town of Anderson has \$35,458.96 in checking and \$390,816.81 in the money market for total assets of \$426,275.77.

Fire Association Report

Nothing to report.

Decision regarding the zoning changes for the campground

Jeremy Gronski explained that the Town of Anderson following Burnett County zoning rules. However the zoning department asks the residents to get the towns opinion when a resident wants to change their zoning. The Town of Anderson has no restrictions on campgrounds. Jeremy Gronski opted not to vote on this as the resident has spoken with him about this. Jim Loomis motioned to approve the zoning change. James Mielke seconded it. Motion carried.

Chairman's Report

Nothing to report.

Clerks Information

Jeremy Gronski made a motion to approve the beaver control contract in the amount of \$2,250 for the 2023 season. James Mielke seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Due to the Town of Anderson having an ordinance that states the town is now responsible for having a building inspector instead of leaving it up to the state and our current inspector retiring, we are now responsible for getting a new inspector. REM is a building inspector company out of Amery. They are also the State of Wisconsin preferred company for Burnett County. Gronski motioned to approve having REM as the town's building inspector. Jim Loomis seconded it. Motion carried.

Road Maintenance Report/Projects for the Month

Jim Bethke said that he has been doing a lot of snow plowing and sanding. The Grantsburg part of it is going okay. We have billed out November – January and have been paid for all of those.

He also said we need to talk about our next piece of equipment. There is a three year waiting lists for a new dump truck and for a grader. The Board agreed to meet at 6:00 pm on Tuesday, March 14, 2023 to go over our capital equipment.

Public Comment

Nothing to report.

Administrative session

Annette Bethke will look into changing our building ordinance back to the state and will clarify if people can use any building inspector or only the one we approve.

Auditing of Bills / Approve Payment of February Bills.

Jeremy Gronski motioned to approve the February bills in the amount of \$260,895.16. James Mielke seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Agenda Items for Next Board Meeting / Date: **Tuesday, March 14, 2023**

Nothing to add.

Motion to Adjourn.

Jeremy Gronski made a motion to adjourn the Board meeting at 7:57 pm. James Mielke seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Burnett County District 4 Supervisor Update 2/14/2023:

Land Use Committee:

1 rezone from RR-3 to RR-RC was denied due to the Town of Oakland objection. One CUP was approved. One CUP owner requested verification of compliance with existing CUP. The committee determined the CUP is not in compliance.

Text amendment 23-01: Floodplain Study Appendix – Adding Radigan Dam was approved by the committee to move forward to the County board. This dam is in Douglas County. It broke in 2018 and caused flooding in Burnett County. Therefore, this information needs to be added to the floodplain study in Burnett County.

Comprehensive Planning Committee:

The survey is nearly complete. This will go online February 21st with final date for submission on April 18th. The survey answers will be reviewed and recommendations taken into consideration during the planning process. The focus groups have been formed and will begin working over the next month. The focus group meetings will be posted on the County's website and should have public comment. The committee's next meeting date will be April 4th.

The web address for the Comprehensive Plan page is <https://www.burnettcounty.com/compplan>
You can sign up for updates or to email any comments to an email link on this page.

Health & Community Services committee:

Covid cases in January have seen a significant decrease however these numbers may not be accurate with all of the at home testing being done that are not being reported. Public Health is continuing to offer Covid testing on Mondays from 9-11 and Wednesdays from 1-4 pm, at the Airport Terminal for the winter months. The updated CDC Covid Community Levels metrics shows predominately low community levels across the state, Burnett County continues to sit in the low category in regards to severity of cases.

Infrastructure Committee:

Meeting was cancelled

Natural Resources Committee:

The Northern Long-eared Bat will be added to the federally endangered as of 3/31/2023, Tri-colored Bat is expected to be added to the federally endangered list in 2023 and the Little Brown Bat is currently under review for federally endangered listing.

The 2022 Wildlife Damage – year-end report: 6 farmers were issued agriculture deer shooting permits for crop damage. 49 deer were shot using these permit tags

8 farmers were issued agriculture bear shooting permits for damage to corn fields. 13 bears were shot using these permit tags

BEAR (trapping): 14 bears were trapped in corn fields and 9 bears were trapped for nuisance & property reasons bringing the total bears trapped in Burnett County to 23.

The Burnett County Wildlife Damage Program once again participated in the Deer Donation Program for 2022. Lock & Load Processing was the only processor to participate in the program. They processed 34 deer, for a total of 850# of ground venison. All venison was donated to the local food shelves.

Maureen Muldoon reviewed the previous water inventory of Burnett County and gave options and different costs of how the County could proceed with an update to the water inventory, if the County chooses to do so. Dave Ferris will put together a proposal and bring it back to the committee.