

TOWN OF ANDERSON
Monthly Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes
Tuesday June 13, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall

Call to order by Jeremy Gronski at 7:03 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by James Mielke.

Affidavit of Posting signed by Jeremy Gronski.

Motion for Approval of Agenda

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

Approval of May 9, 2023 meeting minutes

James Mielke motioned to approve the May 9, 2023 meeting minutes as written. Jim Loomis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Burnett County District 4 Supervisor update

Ramona Moody gave the Burnett County District 4 Supervisor's update. Please see attached for details.

Treasurer's Report

Patsy Tucker gave the Treasurer's report. We have \$17,410.28 in checking and \$227,636.23 in the money market for total assets of \$245,046.51. This reconciles with all bank statements.

Fire Association Report

The Fire Association meeting will be June 19. Mike Lee has agreed to represent the Town of Anderson at those meetings.

Chairman's Report

Nothing to report.

Clerks Information

Annette Bethke said that she had went over the current insurance policy with Carl Thomfohrda. The town is under-insured by about \$918,010. This is mostly due to not having the equipment insured at replacement value but rather by agreed value. This is common with municipalities. Carl suggested increasing the insurance on the building and maybe some equipment. Jeremy Gronski would like Carl to attend the July meeting to go over this.

Annette mentioned that Marjean, the clerk for Wood River, is working on a letter to have other paving companies give us bids. The letter should be ready for the Board to sign in July if they choose to.

Road Maintenance Report/Projects for the Month

Jim Bethke said that he is continuing to haul gravel, patch the black top and he was going to start ditching some roads. He is also very frustrated with the logging trucks. They are really busting up the roads. They are leaving stuff on the roads and the black top is starting to bust up on the edges and

in the middle where they are turning around. He as the Board what could be done. Jeremey Gronski said to take pictures and send them to the Board. They will check on posting the roads.

Jeremy Gronski would also like to know when the roads were black topped and when they were chipped sealed. He would like to know how much it would cost to chip to chip seal.

Public Comment

Paul Baxter asked about the short term rental tax. He said that no one has talked to the land lords about this. The town had not received any more information regarding this since the last meeting.

Administrative session

Jeremy Gronski would like us to check on retirement plans for Jim Bethke. He would also like to set up employee reviews.

Auditing of Bills / Approve Payment of June Bills.

Jeremey Gronski motioned to approve paying the June bills in the amount of \$24,136.78. James Mielke seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Agenda Items for Next Board Meeting / Date: Tuesday, July 11, 2023

Carl, to go over insurance. How to spend the ARPA money. Short-term rental tax if we get more information. Letter regarding paving to have other companies bid.

Motion to Adjourn.

Jeremy Gronski motioned to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. James Mielke seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Burnett County District 4 Supervisor Update 6/13/2023:

Land Use Committee: The committee met on June 6th. Rezone Request from RR-1 to RR-RC in the Town of Meenon, vote failed to pass.

Two Rezone Requests were approved – one in the Town of Wood River and the other in the Town of Dewey

Conditional Use Permits were approved for the following:

In the Town of Webb Lake for Hobby Farm in Residential District.

In the Town of Wood River for Storage Rental Buildings.

In the Town of Lincoln for Dance and Fitness Studio.

In the Town of West Marshland for Chickens in Residential District. And

In the Town of Meenon for Camper for up to Three Years was approved.

Next month's meeting will be July 11th and they will be having a public hearing on the proposed agriculture district Chapter 30 changes.

Natural Resources Committee: The Conservation Division has been very busy with a variety of tasks mostly focusing on AIS and maintenance at the dam sites. The Wildlife Damage Program is a little bit busy with hay damage by deer and goose damage to corn and soybeans.

The have also been working on draft grant proposals for this year's grant applications, a livestock Facility Licensing Ordinance including the Winter Manure Storage Report and control work on terrestrial invasive species including both knotweed and parsnip.

Timber sale activity on the forest continues to be a big workload. The Forestry Department currently has sixteen active sales. Which all need to be check weekly at a minimum. They have also been busy working on jack pine stands that have been damaged by the heavy snows.

Currently they have sold four storm damaged jack pine sales. These have been smaller sales.

Among the many projects include repair work at Camp Burnett, park cleanup, maintenance on the Gandy Dancer Trail and ATV/UTV trails for the summer season.

Health & Community Services committee:

The Department coordinated with area community partners whom interface with children to offer care packages and quilts that were donated from Sweet Dreamz and the local women's organizations in Burnett County. They provided some care packages to Siren and Grantsburg schools that consist of a homemade pillowcase filled with pajamas, a book, a blanket, and stuffy. They also provided care packages and handmade quilts to the Burnett County Family Resource Center and the Burnett County Victim Witness Coordinator.

The month of June brings the importance of discussing elder abuse and raising awareness to our aging population in Burnett County. If you have concerns about an elder in your community, please contact 715-349-7600 and ask to speak with the Behavioral Health Access Worker.

Infrastructure Committee: In May it was reported the fuel system at the airport remains on backorder. The Highway Department has been busy with patching, working on county and state roads as well as municipality projects.

Comprehensive Planning Committee: meeting has been postponed until July 10th at this time.