

July 20, 2021

Town of Brazeau Regular Board Meeting

Town of Brazeau Hall, 10892 Parkway Road, Pound, WI 54161



i. Call to Order

Chairman Wendt called meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ii. Roll Call

Present: J. Fetterly, R. Wendt, R. Gretzon, C. Kasten; Absent: .D Parmentier

iii. Agenda Approval

Motion by Fetterly/Gretzon to approve the agenda. The motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

iv. Approval of Previous Meetings Proceedings:

Motion was made by Kasten/Fetterly to approve the previous meeting minutes. The motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

v. REPORTS

Financial

The written financial report was presented by Clerk Kriescher. General Fund balance as of May 31, 2021 was \$305,032.33. Donation Fund Savings \$480.34; Fire Department, Ambulance and Dive Account Funds are \$67,280.11 bringing a total town balance to \$372,792.78. Clerk Kriecher also stated that the town did receive notice that the funds from FEMA and the state for the storm damage in 2019 have been sent. The total amount that will be received is \$46,968.06

Ambulance

Jamie Waller presented the ambulance report. The ambulance service had 5 calls since the last meeting. There were no transports, but the traumas are spiking. The ambulance service took the new rig to the Coleman Parade. The service is also looking into some trainings with the fire department.

Fire Department

John Fetterly presented the fire department report. The fire department had 4 calls in the last month with some assists. The department received one call that no one could respond to. They did respond to a fire on County Road S, that they fought from the outside, but they did have some radio and phone issues in that area. The Fire Department does have to replace 2 light bars, put a hitch on the new brush truck, and some fittings that are required to be replaced by Oconto County. The department were also a part of the Coleman Parade.

Dive

Dave Gross presented the dive report. The dive team did not have any updates. John Fetterly and Jamie Waller stated that they would like to have a meeting with the dive team.

Highway

Dave Gross presented the highway report. The highway department is finished with mowing ditches, but now the roads will need to be shouldered.

vi. Public Comment

Jamie Waller stated that Coleman and Wausaukee have a cadet program and the cadets work on the service as observers only, the minimum age is 16 and feels that if the town would start a program like this that a liability waiver would need to be signed. The clerk will call the insurance company and report back at the next meeting. Jamie also asked if a member takes the state test, the town pays for the first attempt, but if they fail does the town pay for the second or third attempt. The board answered with a no. Dave Gross also stated that the company that takes care of our large dumpsters said they would keep a closer eye on them and get better at making sure we have empty ones more often.

vii. ACTION ITEMS

1. Driveway Permit

Motion was made by Gretzon/Fetterly to approve a driveway permit for Louis Anderson with a 24 inch diameter culvert that is at least 24 feet long. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

2. Closed Session

Closed Session under Wis. Stat. 19.85 (1) (c) considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility: Hwy Maintenance Dept. Position

Motion was made by Fetterly/Gretzon to go into closed session. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

3. Reconvene Open Session

Motion was made by Gretzon/Fetterly to reconvene into open session. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

4. Possible Action

Motion was made by Kasten/Fetterly to approve the hiring of Jeffrey Ott as a part time highway employee. His start date will be October, 1, 2021 and the rate of pay will be \$18.00 an hour. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

5. Zoning

Mike Luebke spoke on behalf of the planning and zoning commission. He stated they primarily deal with land division and rezoning and feels that in working with the county on certain issues that there is no consistent enforcement. Mike feels there are eight issues with the comprehensive plan and would like to work with the Oconto County Planning and Zoning on these. Wendt would like the town plan commission to come up with a plan and come back to the board with some recommendations. No motion needed just discussion.

6. Fire Department Members Driving for the Ambulance

Fetterly stated that any person interested in driving for the ambulance would be able to do so with some training. There are four fire department members that are interested in doing this. The Ambulance would need to change its bylaws to include this. Waller commented that on the first page the fire department members would not respond, but if there was a second page, they could respond to that. Kasten made a motion to allow fire department members to drive for the ambulance with proper training, then amended that motion to possibly include ambulance service members to help out the fire department, but that amended motion failed.

Kasten/Gretzon made a motion to allow fire department members to drive for the ambulance service with proper training. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

7. Operator's Licenses

Motion was made by Gretzon/Fetterly to approve operator's licenses for Joe Hutchinson and Stephanie Schmidt. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

8. ATV/UTV Discontinuance on Tank Lane

Motion was made by Kasten/Gretzon to amend Section V of the Ordinance # BZ 10-2012 to read as follows: The following routes are designated all-terrain vehicle/utility terrain vehicle routes in the Town of Brazeau: All town roads under the Town of Brazeau jurisdiction except. Tank Lane from Lost Lake Road to termini with the exception for property owners. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

9. Parks

Discussion was had about the ice rink, if we should make it bigger and also the need for a new tarp. Wendt stated he will donate a tarp this year and advised Dave Gross to get a quote on ordering more panels to make the ice rink larger, Dave will have that information at the next meeting. It was discussed to leave Cherry Park alone at this time, but to have Dave spray for poison ivy. Motion was made by Kasten/Gretzon to declare the property on the North East corner of Parkway Road and State Highway 64 an official park. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

10. Shay Lake Boat Landing

The town has been receiving phone calls of partying at the boat landing and the board members agreed the residents should be calling the Oconto County Sheriff's non-emergency number. The other issue as this boat landing is with swimming. Wendt contacted Dave Parmentier and his thoughts on it were to leave it alone. Supervisor Kasten did contact the DNR to see if they have any regulations and they do not. Clerk Kriescher contacted the insurance company and they said we could put up a sign that stated there was not lifeguard on

duty. Discussion ended with no action needed seeing the town was going to do nothing and leave it the way it currently is.

11. Fireworks Permit

Motion was made by Kasten/Gretzon to rescind Ordinance # BZ 3a-2017, fireworks ordinance. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

12. American Rescue Plan Disbursement

The clerk stated that the town had received \$68,453.23 from the American Rescue Plan Act and discussed with the board different ways to use this money. The board would like to use it on roads. The clerk will look into the loss revenue calculator to see exactly where the funds can be used. No motion needed just discussion.

13. Budget and Possible Amendment

The board members looked over the budget worksheets showing the year-to-date expenditures and revenues. Motion was made by Gretzon/Fetterly to approve an amendment to the budget decreasing expenditure account 130-57324 (Highway Equipment Outlay) \$15,000 and increasing expenditure account 122-53311 (Highway Maintenance, Local) \$15,000. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

viii. July 2021 Wage and General Vouchers

Motion was made by Fetterly/Gretzon to approve the wage and general vouchers for July 2021. Motion was voted on and carried. 4-0

ix. Set Next Meeting

Next town board meeting will be held on August 17, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

ix. Adjournment

Motion by Fetterly/Gretzon to adjourn. The motion was voted on and carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.



Brooke Kriescher, Town Clerk/Treasurer