

TOWN OF NAMAKAGON
For - TOWN BOARD MEETING–Tuesday, April 13, 2021
At - NAMAKAGON TOWN HALL – 7:30pm
MINUTES

Chairman Rasmussen called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. Present were Chairman Rasmussen, Supervisors Jim Krueger and Jack McGregor, Treasurer Arlene Skultety, Clerk Laura Bjork and 11 others.

Agenda was posted at the Town Hall and on the website and the Daily Press was informed. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Chairman Rasmussen thanked the residents for the support during the Spring Election.

The 2020 Financial Audit was presented. MOTION made by Chairman Rasmussen to properly file the audit for 2020 which is in compliance with the state. MOTION seconded by Supervisor McGregor and carried.

The minutes from the March 9th were presented. MOTION made by Supervisor Krueger to dispense the reading of the Town Board minutes and approve them as presented. MOTION seconded by Supervisor McGregor and carried.

The Financial Report was read by Treasurer Skultety; checks approved and signed #3873 through #3915. Town Financials are available to the public upon request to the Treasurer.

Comprehensive Planning Report – Supervisor Krueger reported the commission welcomed Ruth Goetz as an upcoming new member. They discussed the Class A Special Use request which was determined to be in compliance with the Comp Plan. The commission has not met since November, so there was communication on bringing all items up to date.

Library Report – The Library Report is posted on the website.

Chamber of Commerce Update – Ruth Goetz reported that there will be a 4th of July and Fall Fest celebration. The Chamber is currently open during the week. Inquiries at the Chamber have significantly increased as of lately. It is assumed that this summer will be busy in the area.

Discussion and possible action of Town Board recommendation for Bayfield County Planning and Zoning for a Class A Special Use Permit for Mike & Mary D’Andrea for shoreland grading including wetland fill to the property located at 24330 County Hwy M, NE ¼ of NW ¼, S24, T43N, R6W, Town of Namakagon - Karl Kastrosky presented the request. The Plan Commission reviewed, and the request was found in compliance with the Comp Plan. MOTION made by Supervisor McGregor to approve the recommendation for a Class A Special Use Permit for Mike and Mary D’Andrea for

shoreland grading including wetland fill to the property located at 24330 County Hwy M, NE ¼ of NW ¼, S24, T43N, R6W because it is compliant with the Comp Plan. MOTION seconded by Supervisor Krueger and carried.

Discussion and possible action on Bid Opening for Roof Replacement – Two bids were received from Cedar Brook Construction \$36,910 and Ratliff Construction \$29,100. The Town Board suspended the item to the end of the meeting. MOTION made by Supervisor Krueger to accept the bid from Ratliff Construction for \$29,100, contingent upon receiving a W9 and Certificate of Insurance with Work Comp coverage. MOTION seconded by Supervisor McGregor and carried.

Discussion and possible action on Bid Opening for Kitchen Remodel Project – One bid was received from Cedar Brook Construction \$32,575. The Town Board suspended the item to the end of the meeting. MOTION made by Supervisor Krueger to accept the bid from Cedar Brook Construction for \$32,575, contingent upon receiving a W9 and Certificate of Insurance with Work Comp coverage. MOTION seconded by Supervisor McGregor and carried.

Discussion and possible action on Bid Opening for Gravel Crushing – One bid was received from Antczak Aggregate for 10,000 ton at \$28,800; \$2.88/ton. There was discussion on the site of the Gravel Crushing. If it is done at the transfer site, boring needs to be done to know the material that is there. There was also a bid enclosed for screening 4,500 tons at \$2.18/ton for salt/sand depending on the material found. The Town Board suspended the item to the end of the meeting. The Town Board will set the site before work begins. If salt/sand screening is needed, it will be dealt with at the time. MOTION made by Supervisor McGregor to accept the bid from Antczak Aggregate for 10,000 ton at \$2.88/ton, contingent upon receiving a W9 and Certificate of Insurance with Work Comp coverage. MOTION seconded by Supervisor Krueger and carried.

Chairman Rasmussen gave a report on Road projects for the year. The county is working on the County M project starting in May. There will be no blacktopping this year. The town will be working on Birch Bend Road and Lake 5 Road, digging up blacktop and re-crushing into gravel. The town will be applying for State funds for Garmisch Road in the future. The Town Board will be scheduling a road inspection to see if there are any other roads in need of repair.

Discussion and possible action on supporting the Forest Lodge Library expansion by sponsoring a Collection Reading Room – The Town Board agreed to support the library by sponsoring a Town of Namakagon room. The library suggested that the Town sponsor a Town of Namakagon Wisconsin Collection Reading Room for \$30,000. The room would be the same size as the study rooms. The Town Board will communicate with Kristine Lendved at the annual town meeting regarding the idea.

Discussion and possible action on letters regarding communication with Bayfield County Zoning – A letter was sent to the county on January 14th and the town has not yet received a response. A letter was presented to follow through asking for a response

from the county. All surrounding towns are having issues with the county. The Town Board agreed to send the letter.

Discussion of Citation process for violation of ordinances – A citation form was presented that complies with the Citation Ordinance. There was discussion about the process, and it was noted that it necessary to follow the Citation Ordinance. Law Enforcer Kevin Johnson can enforce town ordinances; however, the process needs to be followed. In order to give a citation, there needs to be enough evidence shown that there has been a violation. The Town Board will monitor ordinance violations and if there is enough evidence for the violation, the citation will be pursued.

Clerk Bjork presented Certificates of Elections to the Town Board.

Chairman Rasmussen appointed Ruth Goetz as a Plan Commission Appointment member for the term May 2021 thru April 2024.

Review Correspondence

Oak Wilt Recommended Timing Restrictions for Brushing - Oak wilt is a disease that can quickly kill otherwise healthy oak trees. Avoid harvesting, pruning, brushing and any injury to oak trees between the month of April through July.

Public Comment - PC Rasmussen stated that Lakewoods will be replacing sidewalks, replacing asphalt in front of the lodge at Lakewoods and replacing riprap by the lake. The DNR is involved in the project. Cooper Engineering is putting together a plan that will help with runoff. The project only includes improvements, no additions. The project will start soon and Lakewoods will continue to be open during the project.

Set date for the next Board meeting May 11, 2021 @ 7:30pm.

Annual Town Meeting Tuesday, April 20, 2021 @ 7pm.

Board of Review Thursday, May 27th 5pm to 7pm.

Chairman Rasmussen adjourned the meeting at 9:26pm.

Respectfully Submitted by
Laura Bjork, Town of Namakagon Clerk