

**TOWN OF NAMAKAGON**  
**For - TOWN BOARD MEETING–Tuesday, June 14, 2022**  
**At - NAMAKAGON TOWN HALL – 7:30pm**  
**MINUTES**

Chairman Rasmussen called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. Present were Chairman Rasmussen, Supervisors Jack McGregor and Jim Krueger, Treasurer Arlene Skultety, Clerk Laura Bjork and 6 others.

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

The minutes from the May monthly meeting and the May 16<sup>th</sup> work meeting 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 #4487 through #4538. Town Financials are available to the public upon request to the Treasurer.

**Comprehensive Planning Report** – No report.

**Library Report** - The Library report will be posted on the website.

**Partnership with Bayfield County Health Department for a countrywide system to control and address the issue of illegal rentals in Bayfield County** –Treasurer Skultety reported that she is still waiting on information from the County. Tabled.

**Transfer Site Plans** – Nelson Surveying completed their survey of the transfer site. Chairman Rasmussen stated that with the survey results, the transfer site will be able to continue for another 8 to 10 years. Some planning will need to go into the start of a new site and the planning will need to start years beforehand. The town also needs to make use of unused areas on the survey. This will be back on the agenda in August to discuss future planning.

**Transfer Site and Recyclable Material Charges** – Chairman Rasmussen explained that Republic Services was charging \$35 for mattress pic ups. The Town only charges \$15 for large mattresses. Tabled for more information.

**Ordinance 58-22 Ordinance allowing sales of alcohol in closed containers by “Class B” license holders** – Chairman Rasmussen explained that a “Class B” license allows owners to sell liquor and beer at the bar in glass, however if a customer wishes to purchase an unopened bottle and take home, an ordinance needs to be adopted by the township. The ordinance is as follows:

The Town Board of the Town of Namakagon, Bayfield County, Wisconsin, has the specific authority under s. [125.51 \(3\) \(b\)](#), Wis. stats., to adopt this ordinance.

This ordinance, adopted by a majority of the town board on a roll call vote with a quorum present and voting and proper notice having been given, provides that any holder of a “Class B” intoxicating liquor license may sell intoxicating liquor in the original package or container, in any quantity, for consumption off the premises where sold.

This ordinance is effective on publication or posting.

The town clerk shall properly post or publish this ordinance as required under s. [60.80](#), Wis. stats.

MOTION made by Supervisor McGregor to approve Ordinance 58-22. MOTION seconded by Supervisor Krueger and carried.

**Bridge Repair by Four Seasons** – Supervisor Krueger stated that the Road Crew was questioning whether the project should be hired out as they have been busy with other projects. Chairman Rasmussen stated that the town will consider after Labor Day and re-evaluate. Tabled until September.

**Ordinance #34 Speed Limit Ordinance** – Supervisor Krueger stated that Namakagon Sunset Road is posted at 35mph, but not in the town ordinance. The WI Town’s Association has been contacted for advice. Since there is history on the road, the speed limit will remain the same.

**Special Event Policy** – There was discussion on the need for a Special Event Policy due to the demand on the ambulance service and the fire department. There was discussion on the policy and possible changes needed. There was discussion on the possibility of the town covering some of the cost of medical coverage or fire department coverage through room tax funds. There was discussion on insurance coverage for the fire department during special events, especially when volunteering in a different township. The Town Clerk will update the changes noted and this will be on next month’s agenda.

**LRIP TRI Grant for Birch Bend Road and McCann Springs Road** – Chairman Rasmussen stated that the town applied for state funding on Birch Bend Road and McCann Springs Road for a 50/50 grant. We received a grant of \$65,000 for the projects. Some adjustments were made to the grant, but the project remains the same. The first layer of blacktopping for the parking lot will start tomorrow.

**Approval of Liquor Licenses per applications** – There were nine applications for a liquor license as follows: Evergreen Tavern, Hank’s Landing, Loon Saloon, Four Seasons, Lakewoods, Forest Ridges Golf Course, Garmisch, Pla-Mor and Cable Lodge. It was noted that there is one available license. MOTION made by Supervisor Krueger to approve all nine applications, contingent upon publishing requirements. MOTION seconded by Supervisor McGregor and carried.

**Approval of Cigarette Licenses per applications** – There were six applications for a Cigarette License as follows: Evergreen Tavern, Hank’s Landing, Loon Saloon, Four Seasons, Forest Ridges Golf Course and Garmisch. MOTION made by Supervisor McGregor to approve the six applications. Motion seconded by Supervisor Krueger and carried.

**Approve Issuance of Operator’s Licenses per application** – There were 18 applications for an Operator License. MOTION made by Supervisor McGregor to approve the operator license applications and to allow the Town Clerk to issue incoming applications. MOTION seconded by Supervisor Krueger and carried.

## **Review Correspondence**

The Cable Natural History Museum is hosting a Golf Classic event on Saturday, June 18, 2022. The event is limited to 72 golfers. If interested, contact the museum.

The Chequamegon Children’s Theatre sent a letter requesting support. MOTION made by Supervisor Krueger to support the event with \$100. It was noted the funds will be taken from Room Tax funds. MOTION seconded by Supervisor McGregor and carried.

## **Public Comment**

Tomi Backland inquired about cell service in the area. T-Mobile is on the cell tower for Namakagon. AT&T contracted with FirstNet and is starting to put towers up in rural areas. Clam Lake has Verizon and AT&T. The tower in Namakagon is owned by Norvado. No one wants to attach to the tower because they say that there is not enough population here. A booster can be purchased in a home to help with attaining service.

Mary D'Andrea stated that perhaps the town would consider advertising the need to have a firework's permit to be able to shoot fireworks. The Clerk will contact the Chamber and have a sign posted outside the town hall.

**Set date for the next Board meeting July 12, 2022 @ 7:30pm.  
Plan Commission meeting, July 11, 2022 @ 7pm**

Chairman Rasmussen adjourned at 8:43pm.

Respectfully Submitted by

Laura Bjork, Town of Namakagon Clerk