

Town of Pine River Lincoln County, Wisconsin

2014 Annual Meeting Minutes, Saturday, April 19, 2014, 1:00 PM

The 2014 annual meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Zeitz. All stood to say the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes from the 2013 annual meeting were read and a motion to accept the minutes was made by Darlene Herdt with a second from Jody Grawien. The motion carried with no opposition.

Clerk Duley went over the 2013 Town of Pine River Financial Statement and the Town of Pine River Volunteer Fire Department Financial Statement. Questions were answered. A motion was made by Rose Hagedorn with a second by Phil Sadowski to accept the financial reports. There was no further discussion. The motion carried with no opposition.

Chairman Zeitz gave a report on the current status of the Town of Pine River and of events of 2013 including the following.

- ❖ Resolutions passed:
 - Resolution to Dissolve SVRS agreement with Lincoln County and Enter into agreement with the State of Wisconsin Government Accountability Board.
 - Resolution Upholding 2nd Amendment Rights
 - Resolution Opposing the U.S. Involvement in the Syrian Conflict
 - Resolution to restore the Glass-Steagall Act
- ❖ Building of new salt shed
- ❖ Purchase of new tractor for town.
- ❖ Teeples family home and future plans for demolition or reconstruction have not yet been determined
- ❖ Salary was given to Fire Chief, Assistant Fire Chief, Secretary and Treasurer
- ❖ Town of Pine River has joined the Wisconsin Length of Service Program for the members of the department. These funds are matched by the State of Wisconsin.
- ❖ Chairman Zeitz spoke about the 2013 Road projects and about the planned 2014 Roadwork projects.

Chairman Zeitz extended a thank you to the following:

Supervisors David Breunig and Larry Langbecker
Attorney Randy Frokjer
Road Crew: Brian Opper, Pat Sadowski, Dean Lemke and Steve Uttech
Amy Duley, Clerk and the Election Inspectors
Donna Opper, Treasurer
Constable Phil Sadowski
The Donors to the Fire Department
The Pine River Volunteer Fire Fighters and First Responders
Plan Commission members Rose Hagedorn, Darlene Herdt,
Merrillee DuPlayee, Kathy Gruetzmacher, and Zoning Officer Greg Metz.

- ❖ Fire Department / First Responder report was given by John Uttech.
 - ✓ 2013 – 28 Fire runs, 13 mutual aid calls
 - ✓ 2013 – 53, 42 medical, 7 trauma, 4 PNB's EMS/1st Responder runs
 - ✓ 25 Fire Fighter's, 11 First Responders (6 of which are also Fire Fighter's)
 - ✓ Purchase of 3500 gallon tender truck
 - ✓ John Uttech and Marilyn Zastrow are both certified CPR instructors. Four classes were held in 2013. 4 AED trainers were purchased.
 - ✓ First Responders helped at HODAG and Special Olympics and the Lincoln County Rodeo and with the 2014 Pine River Sled Dog Races
 - ✓ Pig Roast netted between \$14,000.00 and \$15,000.00
 - ✓ The 2014 Fund Raiser will be held on September 20, 2014. This will be the 10th Annual Fund Raiser for the Pine River Volunteer Fire Department
 - ✓ The PRVFD has been involved in recruitment commercial.
 - ✓ John went over the criteria for the PRVFD members to qualify for the Wisconsin Length of Service Program
 - ✓ Fire Prevention, Inspect 27 businesses twice a year. These are done by Jeff Zettler and Brad Hartwig
 - ✓ Jeff Zettler is doing a Fire Prevention program for the students at the Pine River School for Young Learners
 - ✓ Sparky and Freddie are used in other townships as well as in Pine River
 - ✓ John gave a thank you to all of his Fire Department members and the First Responders
 - ✓ Training goal of 25 hours annually. There are 18 trainings of about 3 hours.
 - ✓ Total training hours are over 1300 hours.
 - ✓ John talked about the Mutual Aid Program

The Meeting was opened up to the Electors:

Dennis Rhyner was here to speak on the subject of garbage collection and recycling. Brian Opper talked about the fact that garbage bags often end up in the ditch during snow plowing season and animals into the garbage bags.

A motion was made by Dennis Rhyner, second was made by Dee Freund to look into alternative garbage and recycling programs. Dave Buck mentioned supporting the local businesses. John Hagedorn mentioned that the town should not have the power to make these decisions for residents. Those in favor of having the Town Board look into the matter. Majority of residents are in favor of the Town looking into the matter.


Andy Anderson brought up the subject of buildings that are eyesores in the township.

Jody Grawien requested the town to install toileting facilities in the Pine River Park. Mr. Grawien offered to pay the first \$500.00 of the money towards this expense. Vandalism is a concern of some residents. The Town Board will take this matter under advisement.

Darlene Herdt mentioned the pavement at the bottom of the ramp needs to be repaired. The Town Board will have Brian and Pat take a look and make necessary repairs.

A Motion was made by Dee Dee Freund, with a 2nd by Doug Sann to set the annual meeting for the Town of Pine River for Saturday, April 18, 2015 at 1:00 pm.

A motion to adjourn was made by Dave Buck, 2nd by John Hagedorn, passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

 Amy K Duley, Clerk