

## Town of Pine River, Town Board Meeting Minutes, March 7, 2023

Chairman Breunig called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. All town board members were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Minutes from the last meeting held February 7 were read by Clerk Herdt. Supervisor Uttech made a motion to accept the minutes; Supervisor Zastrow 2<sup>nd</sup> and Chairman Breunig made it unanimous.

The Treasurer's Report was read by Treasurer Opper. A motion was made by Zastrow, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Breunig, and made unanimous by Uttech to accept the report.

Town temporary road weight limits will be posted within 10 days if weather conditions warrant.

Breunig called the internet company phone number listed on the wire-posted advertisements in our road right-of-ways. They claimed they were put there without their knowledge or permission.

Lincoln County sent out surveys to towns to gather information on required permitting and projected road projects for their broadband expansion project. The County is giving \$200,000.00 of their ARPA money to Charter (with conditions attached) to bolster the project.

Doug Smith explained that the land that he wants to donate to extend Hillview Road as a turnaround was to protect landowners' access to their properties. He does not want to fund the creation of a turnaround but wants to donate the piece so that in the future, landowners will have legal access to what might otherwise be land-locked parcels. It would also give the town access to turn around their plow trucks without having to drive on private property. He is hoping that the town will accept the land as-is, without the need to have it prepped for being a turnaround or cul-de-sac.

Breunig signed a CSM for a split of 5 acres from a 40 acre parcel on Hillview Road for Frank Lemke after making a motion to accept it; seconded by Zastrow and made unanimous by Uttech.

After discussion, Zastrow made a motion to borrow \$35,000.00 to cover half of the Town of Pine River Fire Department's shortfall to meet the \$208,000.00 federal grant requirements for purchasing fire apparatuses; Uttech seconded. The loan will then be added to our levy until it is paid off. Treasurer Opper will contact Nicolet Bank to find out what loan options are available.

Fire Chief Uttech reported that there was 1 fire related call and 9 responder runs since last meeting.

District 10 Supervisor Jesse Boyd had nothing to report and was not in attendance.

The spring election will be April 4, 2023 at the Town Hall with polls open 7 AM to 8 PM. There is a conflict with the town meeting to be held that evening. Since board members' names are on the ballot, the meeting location will be moved to the Town of Pine River Fire Department.

The Town and Fire Department audits will take place on March 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM at the town hall. The annual meeting with luncheon will be April 22, 2023 at 1 PM, also at the town hall.

Opportunity for public comment was given. Doug Smith clarified that if the town accepted the land off Hillview, he would attach a permanent easement for the Town on the property currently being used to turn around our vehicles and machinery. Attorney Frokjer will be contacted to see if it is viable option.

Invoices 16,817 through 16,851 were paid. Breunig made a motion to adjourn; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Uttech and made unanimous by Zastrow. The meeting adjourned at 8:16 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Amanda Herdt