

# Town of Webb Lake

Burnett County, Wisconsin

Monthly Board Meeting

September 5, 2022

Webb Lake Town Hall

The regular monthly board meeting was called to order by Chairperson Steve Austin at 6:00pm at the Webb Lake Town Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: Chairperson Steve Austin, Supervisor John Kielkucki, Supervisor Greg Main, Treasurer Wendy Schwartz, Clerk John Basill, were present.

**VERIFICATION OF PUBLIC POSTINGS:** Agenda was posted in three places and on the town website.

John Basill gave an update on the clarification of the use of the speaker phone. Basill stated if a supervisor is out of town or if an individual is unable to attend in person who is specifically on the agenda, the speaker phone option may be used only under those circumstances. In person attendance is encouraged for all Town Board meetings. The Supervisors concurred this was the intended and preferred practice.

**APPROVAL OF THE August 1, 2022 MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES:** Motion (Main, Kielkucki) to approve minutes. Motion carried 3-0.

**CHANGES TO ORDER OF AGENDA:** No changes.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** A letter of dispute was received regarding property lines and access on Lily Lake Trail. Chair Austin asked Carl Meister and Supervisor Greg Main to assess the situation and will address the area with Mark Krause if they feel it is needed. Mark Krause, was in attendance, and stated he has visited that area many times.

## **REPORTS, DISCUSSION AND ACTION:**

**Vacation of Lilly Lake Road:** Mark Krause spoke on vacating a portion of the platted road for Lily Lake Road. An area appearing in yellow would be the vacated portion of Lily Lake Road with the portion in blue to remain the town road. The proposal will be published in the local paper and individuals directly impacted will be contacted. A public hearing will be held after all criteria has been met. Motion (Austin, Main) to proceed on the possibility of vacating a portion of Lily Lake Road. Motion carried 3-0.

**Election Report and Update Ordinances/Resolutions:** John Basill reported an increase in the population of the Town of Webb Lake. Since the 2010 census, the population has increased by 126 people to 437. Approximately 370 voters are registered with about 120 voters voting in the recent primary election.

A new ordinance was proposed to change the shifts of the election workers to what is actually transpiring. Motion (Main, Kielkucki) to replace ordinance 2009-1 with ordinance 02022-03. Motion carried 3-0.

Current Wisconsin statute requires 7 election inspectors for each polling place. Resolution R2022-04 provides the Township the ability, if an electronic machine is used to be in compliance with State Statutes, to reduce the number of election inspectors to no less than 3 at an election. It also gives the Clerk the discretion to deploy the proper number of election inspectors for any given election and to activate/assign a Deputy Clerk – Elections Specialist to help comply with the needs of any election and requests from the Wisconsin Elections Commission. Motion to approve resolution R2022-04 (Main, Kielkucki). Motion carried 3-0. The Town of Webb Lake has three new election inspectors, Laurel Cooper, Deb Griffith and Pam Saiko. A rate of \$12.00/hour for election inspectors and \$16.00/hour chief election inspectors who have completed more training. An updated Elections Board was presented. Motion (Kielkucki, Main) to approve election inspectors and pay rate. Motion carried 3-0.

**Equipment, Roads and Buildings:** Carl Meister reported on a bid for the 3 projects of sealing and crack filling. This would include the Town Hall, Fire Department and Recycling Center. Seal the Deal gave an estimate with a three-year guarantee. Motion to approve Seal the Deal bid (Kielkucki, Main). Motion carried 3-0.

Carl also reported the blacktopping with Monarch and chip sealing will be starting soon.

**Fire Chief Report:** Chief Mike Hemquist added a new hire bringing the total to 15 volunteers. The Fire Department is working with Chicog and Dairyland for a mutual aid agreement. The department sponsored an individual to attend a week-long Junior Fire Camp and will become a junior firefighter with the department. Training with the DNR will be on September 24, 2022 to have a 5,000-acre mock fire in Minong Township.

**Approval of Clerk's Monthly Bill Listing:** Motion (Kielkucki, Main) to accept the bill listing. Motion carried 3-0.

**Approval of Treasurer's Report:** Wendy Schwartz covered the report. Motion (Kielkucki, Main) to approve treasurer's report. Motion carried 3-0.

**General Township Communications:** Chairperson Steve Austin reported on the First Responders having nine to ten active members with 160 calls going out this year. Discussion that we have given more in the past but we had received some unexpected funds last year, and as we approach year end we are running tight on funds. Motion (Main, Kielkucki) to approve an additional amount of \$2,500 for reimbursement and expenses to Webb Lake First Responders. Motion carried 3-0.

John Basill reported a lightning strike at the Town Hall knocking out phone lines and thanked Carl Meister for helping with a sewer back up during the WLCC community rummage sale. Basill stated that the ambulance contract will come up at the next Town Hall meeting. Two individuals from Finland were in attendance.

**Public Comments:** none

**Adjournment:** Motion (Kielkucki, Main) to adjourn at 6:47 PM. Motion carried 3-0.