

TOWN OF EATON

MANITOWOC COUNTY

316 W MAIN STREET

VALDERS, WI 54245

Richard Christel, Chairman; Joe Riesterer, Supervisor; Lewis Schema, Supervisor; Paulette Vogt, Clerk; Pamela Schneider, Treasurer

TOWN BOARD MEETING 06-10-2024

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting of the Town of Eaton was called to order by Chairman Rick Christel at 6:30 p.m., Monday, June 10, 2024 at the Eaton Town Hall. The Pledge Allegiance to the flag was recited by all.

MEETING NOTICES: Meeting notices were posted at the Eaton Town Hall, and the Town Website timely.

ROLL CALL: Rick Christel, Chairman; Joe Riesterer, Supervisor, Lewy Schema, Supervisor, Paulette Vogt, Clerk, Pam Schneider, Treasurer, Craig Zipperer, Road Superintendent, and Ben Schema, Town Constable, were in attendance along with Randy Knier.

AGENDA: The agenda had been emailed previously. Supervisor Schema made a motion to accept the agenda, and Supervisor Riesterer 2nd the same, motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES: The minutes from the May 18, 2024, 2024 meeting had been emailed to the Board previously. Supervisor Riesterer made a motion to accept the minutes. Supervisor Schema 2nd the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT:

With no public input, Chairman Christel closed public input

ROAD SUPERINTENDENT: Road Superintendent Craig Zipperer reported on the many jobs he has been doing this month. Craig also reported about road damage on Evergreen Lane. He also said there was an issue with sink holes on Niles Road. Chairman Christel took care of said subject.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The treasurer's report had been emailed to the Board previously. A motion was made by Supervisor Schema to accept the treasurer's report and Supervisor Riesterer 2nd the same. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSTABLE: Constable Ben Schema reported that there were two calls for the month. These matters have been taken care of.

ASSESSOR: No report.

TOWN BUSINESS:

LRIP GRANT UPDATE: Chairman Christel reported that we received funding for the Niles Road project from the 2024-25 Town Road Improvement Supplemental Program (LRIP) This program assists local units of government in improving deteriorating county highways, town roads, and municipal streets under a authority of the local unit of government by paying up to 90% of the total eligible project costs, with the balance matched by the local unit of government. Our project was one of 81 projects selected in Wisconsin for funding in the 2024-2025 biennium. The total eligible cost of the project is estimated at \$978,200.00 and WisDot will reimburse the Town of Eaton for up to a limit of \$684,740.00. Mr. Russ Kiviniemi from Cedar Corporation was in attendance to present the contract for the LRIP project. After some discussion, Supervisor Schema made a

motion to sign the contract with Cedar Corporation for the project on Niles Road. Chairman Christel 2nd the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

REASSESSMENT OF TOWNSHIP: After some discussion, a motion was made by Supervisor Schema and 2nd by Supervisor Riesterer to sign the contract with Associated Appraisers to have an exterior re-evaluation of the Town residents at the cost of \$55,500 for the year 2025. Motion carried.

RECYCLING: After some discussion, a motion was made by Supervisor Schema and 2nd by Supervisor Riesterer to approve having a free recycling of electronics drop off day at the recycling center the first or second week in October. Mr. Mike Plate would take care of the collection. This collection will only be for the Town of Eaton residents. The board will see how this project works and decide if it will be continued as a twice a year project for the Town residents. Craig Zipperer will contact Mr. Plate as to what weekend would work for this collection and let the board know at the next board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

ZUTZ BRIDGE: A quote of \$7,200 was obtained by Ross Excavating for work on the Zutz Bridge. A discussion followed with other possibilities to do this project. Not action was taken at this time.

CEDAR ROAD: A change order was submitted by NE Asphalt because of additional pavement area of approximately 218 SY. An addition of \$2,905 was added to the original cost of \$23,265. Supervisor Riesterer made a motion to accept the change order. Supervisor Schema 2nd the same. Motion was carried unanimously.

ESCROW FOR ROAD DAMAGE: After some discussion, a motion was made by Supervisor Schema to charge an escrow amount of \$3,000 for damage to town property during new constructions. This policy would begin July 1, 2024. Supervisor Riesterer 2nd the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

STORAGE FOR TOWN EQUIPMENT: After some discussion, No action was taken on this matter.

TOWN OF EATON BOARD OF REVIEW: After some discussion, Supervisor Riesterer made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-1 (Allowing telephone testimony and allowing the waiver of Board of Review hearing and move directly to a circuit court appeal) for future Board of Review meetings. Supervisor Schema 2nd the same. Motion carried unanimously.

THE STANDARD INSURANCE: After some discussion, the board decided to continue the insurance with The Standard.

PHRAGMITES WEEK CONTROL: After discussion, Chairman Christel made a motion to not sign the contract with Glacier Land for the control of phragmites. Supervisor Schema 2nd the same. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE VOUCHERS: Supervisor Schema made a motion to approve the vouchers for May. Supervisor Riesterer 2nd the same. Motion carried.

MEETING REPORTS: There will be a WTA Manitowoc County Unit Meeting on June 20, 2024 in Kellnersville.

CHAIRMAN UPDATES:

AMERICAN LEGION EQUIPMENT STORAGE: Chairman Christel reported that we will not be able to store the equipment for the American Legion.

SANDY HEIN ANIMALS: Chairman Christel reported that he was in contact with Ms. Hein about this matter. Discussion was held but no action was taken.

KOENIG PROPERTY TAXES: Chairman Christel reported that the matter with the property taxes has now been taken care of.

There being no further discussion, Supervisor Schema made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Riesterer 2nd the same. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Paulette Vogt, Town of Eaton Clerk