

Town of Menomonie
Monthly Meeting
Tuesday, October 10th 2023 6:00pm

All Present: Kent Jackson, Brian Johnson, Scott Barnhart, Charisse Sutliff and Nancy Ponto.

Kent called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:00 pm

Minutes

- Minutes from the Board Meeting on September 12th, 2023 were reviewed. Scott made a motion to approve the minutes, Brian 2nd Carried.

Public

- No public comment

Driveway Permit

- American Patriot Storage requested an amendment to their original driveway permit. They moved it, Kent had looked at it and noted they need to redo the culvert to meet Town ordinance, they are required to have a 15" culvert.
- Scott made a motion to approve the amendment, Brian 2nd Carried.

Resolution 2023-03

- A resolution was made to repeal the resolution passed on December 7th, 2021, where the Tribune News paper was named the official newspaper for town publications.
- This resolution will allow the Town to post Agendas on the Window Board outside the Townhall and the Town Website, and not require publishing them in the newspaper. We will follow State Statutes and publish Budgets, Board of Review, Annual Meeting information and any other notices required to be published per State Statutes.
- Brian made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-03, Scott 2nd Resolution Approved.

Resolution 2023-04

- This resolution will adopt the 2023 Town of Menomonie Municipal Emergency Action Plan. Kent provided the plan to all Board members printed in binders for home reference. The plan spells out procedures to follow, the succession of command and phone numbers for any emergency that may occur.
- Scott made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-04, Brian 2nd Resolution Approved.

Equipment Order Decision Tractor & Mower

- Kent, Brian, and Scott reviewed the Specifications and Bids on a new tractor and mower:
 - Lindstrom came in at \$146,000.00.
 - John Deere came in at \$127,688.00.
 - Johnson Tractor came in at \$140,497.00.
- Scott asked the patrolmen what they thought of the John Deere, Jeff stated it had all they needed. There was discussion on making sure the John Deere mower had foam filled aircraft tires and the specifications

provided by John Deere showed the tires were foam filled aircraft tires. More discussion continued to compare the three tractors and mowers.

- Kent made a motion to approve the order of the John Deere. No seconds, Brian asked if they should discuss it further. Kent reminded them they had held a special meeting to discuss what information was needed to make an informed decision and that Jeff and Matt did that. He said it was time to act. Scott 2nd the motion on the table, Carried. The order for the John Deere tractor and mower at \$127,668.60 would be made.

Equipment Order Decision Tandem Axle Plow Truck

- The Board discussed getting an order put in for the International Tandem Axle. Anything ordered now is not scheduled to arrive until 2025. Approximate cost of 280k
- Scott recommended placing the order now, Brian 2nd Carried.

Employee – Chairman Report

- Matt and Jeff were present, Jeff said they were finishing the 3rd pass of mowing around the Township. North of 29 was done, they should be completed of all by this Thursday. Town of Dunn helped out with the bat wing mower.
- Replaced a culvert on 500th (Benaud's) and fixed a soft spot on 490th St (Klatt's)
- Matt completed all shouldering on 490th, Pat Miller's driveway/culvert issue cost \$5500.00.
- Heller Rd has shoulder washout by Trainor's and needs to be filled.
- A tree down in the cemetery will need to be cut up and removed.
- Wash out on 450th Ave on Paradise Valley – next year will put in rip wrap and shave down shoulder as the water isn't flowing off the road.
- Delmore Consulting will be compiling the PASER report.
- LRIP grant for 410th St needs to be rewritten.

Junk Complaint

- Kent assigned Brian a junk complaint to follow up on Hwy 29 for Rodney and Ann Burton's Rental property. They will be sent a letter with the ordinance. If action is not taken, they will be fined.

Budget Preparation

- Kent, Nancy, and Charisse will be meeting to prepare a draft budget which will be available to review by the Board at the November Meeting.

Road Work Update

- Kent shared the spreadsheet of construction costs thus far. We are still waiting for Monarch's bill for 490th street. The plan stayed on budget for the most part this year and the projects are wrapping up.

Drop Off Site Report

- A 10 mph sign and a speed bump ahead sign was put up at the site. A speed bump has been put out and is working well.
- Clair is back to work for now, he may need additional time off, Richard or Mike will need to fill in.

Clerk Report

- Charisse attended the Wisconsin Town's Workshop for Clerks and found it very informative.

- Badger Book training by the Wisconsin Elections Committee will be held on Nov 6th for Clerks and Chief Inspectors.

Board Reports

- Kent attended the Wisconsin Town's Workshop for Chairman; he noted that any bid requests over 5k would need to be published.
- Ambulance and Fire dues will be increasing significantly in 2024.
- Our Shared Revenue was increased by almost 80k.
- Nancy noted we still have not received any funds from the Environmental Services agreement. Kent would ask Ann Wodarczyk at the County to look into it further since her last letter has not sparked any movement.
- Scott will be attending City/Town meeting at the DC Hwy Shop on the 17th at 4pm.

Vouchers Reviewed and Approve

- Vouchers were reviewed. Brian made a motion to approve check#21501-21546, Scott 2nd Carried.

Adjourn

- Kent made a motion to adjourn at 8:07 pm, Brian 2nd Carried.

Charisse Sutliff, Clerk Town of Menomonie