

Town of Rusk — Rusk County, Wisconsin

MINUTES—BOARD of SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, October 10, 2024

Town Hall: N704 CTH F, Chetek, WI

1. Meeting called to order at 7:17p/Roll Call (*Dobrowolski, Styczynski, Zmrazek, Konvicka, Patterson*) + 5 residents
2. The Pledge was recited followed by Moment of Silence
3. Reading/Approval of Meeting Minutes (*Sept 12th Regular Board Meeting*)
Motion by Steve S. / Steve Z. to dispense with the reading of the Minutes. --Carried
Motion by Steve Z. / Steve S. to approve the Minutes as presented. --Carried
4. Reading/Approval of Treasurer's Report
Motion by Steve S. / Lisa to approve Report as presented. --Carried
5. Citizens' Comments / Concerns
 - *news shared that Chetek Ambulance EMTs and ambulance workers received a \$3/hour raise which in part accounts for slight increase in Town's subsidy.*
 - *Weyerhaeuser Fire's budget meeting is October 14th.*
 - *Comments as to whether a building permit is required for mobile homes*
 - *Bill L. presented a long list of Town of Rusk fire number signs that need to be replaced due to wear*
6. **Town Roads**
 - a. Chip sealing complete
 - for next year: consider writing ad to reflect the specific materials we opted for this year, with goal of receiving "apples to apples" bids
 - b. Culverts
 - Bob and Steve Z. will do the two on Rice Bed, and the middle one on Buck Lake
 - Bill L. will check on the plugged Buck Lake culvert nearest to town shed
 - c. Maintenance / Supplies / Fuel / Snow Fence
 - Steve S. will ask the Zajecs to put up snow fence
 - d. Signage
 - all signs we've ordered are up
 - Bill L. is keeping up on spot brushing
 - information shared about other Road Work sign suppliers; Monarch Paving gets its signs from Rent-a-Flash, our regular supplier
 - the un-signed driveways on Hill Corner Road are just field entrances
 - e. Annual State Highway Map 2025 — due back with any changes by Dec. 15th latest
 - Lisa has received the map & will sign, mail back; Steve S. will be entering pavement ratings online at WISLR
 - Board considered abandoning Vechera Road, but no action taken
 - f. ROW obstruction in southeast corner of CTH D / Old D?
 - Bob M. stopped there today and someone passing by said they knew the owner plans to remove it. Recent high winds blew it over.
7. **New Business**
 - a. New town truck
 - Steve S. found a leak upon inspection on the International parking lot; it's being repaired.
 - Final invoice was received; we are paying with tonight's bills, using the Sterling loan
 - We'll take delivery by tomorrow; Lisa will verify that truck's now on Town's insurance policy
 - Truck Loan at Sterling Bank (Chetek) has been signed; total available is \$130,000.⁰⁰
 - b. Town Shed
 - Consider public contract proposal for boiler from Hamholm HVAC: equipment, fully installed by the end of October, for \$7,656.⁷².
 - Motion by Steve Z, / Lisa to approve the Hamholm HVAC proposal. --Carried*

- Consider public contract proposal for concrete aprons, ballasts from Oleskow Concrete: two aprons and six concrete ballasts, complete—including labor, for \$19,750.⁰⁰ • Steve S. can get casing we'll need.

Motion by Steve Z. / Steve S. to approve the Oleskow Concrete proposal. --Carried

- General update – no other news re: shed

- c. November 5th Election preparation, workers, Pre-LAT date(s), Town Hall set-up
 - Anne has all the poll workers lined up; Marlene Wedge has completed Chief Inspector training and plans to work that role in tandem with Theresa Olejniczak for this election
 - Pre-LAT is set for Friday, Oct. 25th and Public Test is set for Saturday, Oct. 26th, both at Town Hall at 3:00 p.m.

8. Old Business

- a. New Auburn Fire Dept.: quarterly meeting on Oct. 17th
 - Megan will email the fire department clerk to request the mil rate info

---- Motion by Steve Z. / Lisa to move to Agenda Item #10. --Carried ----

- b. Amend 2024 Budget
 - Treasurer presented revised figures in several categories for current (2024) Budget, reflecting recent truck purchase loan, additional spending on new shed.

Motion by Steve S. / Steve Z. to amend the 2024 Budget as proposed. --Carried*

**decrease Revenue/Borrowed Funds, Truck by \$70,000; decrease Expenditures/Public Works by \$92,507; increase Expenditures/Capital Improvement, Truck by \$6,507; increase Expenditures/Capital Improvement, Shed by \$16,000. (Amendments result in the 2024 Budget Revenue/Expenditures balancing at \$717,069.²⁹.)*

- c. 2025 Town Budget – continue development
 - Treasurer presented revisions per last regular Board meeting; Board discussed further, anticipating one more meeting this month (Special Budget Meeting set for 7p on Oct. 24th)

9. **Future Agenda Items** • Special Budget Meeting, Thurs., 10/24 @ 7p • Set Public Hearing for Budget and a Special Town Meeting of the Electors for Nov 14th @ 7pm • Finalize 2025 budget

10. Approve & Pay Bills

Motion by Lisa. / Steve S. to approve and pay all items on the Check Detail, including EFTs, the check run being #14478 through #14504, excluding voided check #14503. --Carried

---- Motion by Steve Z. / Lisa to return to Agenda Item #8b. --Carried ----

11. Adjourn

Motion by Steve S. / Lisa to adjourn at 9:38 p.m. --Carried

--Respectfully submitted by Anne Konvicka, Town Clerk