

Board Meeting
August 8, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Chair Jennifer Meyer.

Flag Salute

Attendance: Chair Jennifer Meyer, Supervisor Jeff Whyte, Supervisor Paul Travis, Supervisor Mona Mathews, and Supervisor Megan Bischel were all in attendance.

Adopt Agenda: Supervisor Mona Mathews made a motion to adopt agenda.
Supervisor Paul Travis seconded the motion.
All voted yes, motion carried.

Approve Minutes: June 13, 2023:

- A. Supervisor Mona Mathews made a motion to approve July 11th minutes.
Supervisor Paul Travis seconded the motion with changes. All voted yes, motion carried.

Comp Plan:

- A. None for month of August.
- B. Eau Claire County Title 18 adoption zoning discussion: Eau Claire County Board has Adopted Title 18 and Town of Union will have 1 year to adopt. If Town does not adopt will not have zoning. Chair Jennifer Meyer will see if Ben Bublitz from Eau Claire County will come to a Town of Union meeting to explain.

Visit Eau Claire:

- A. Executive Director Report/Benny Anderson was in attendance. Report was handed out. Town of Unions 2nd quarter room tax numbers are up 10 – 15%.

Park Commission

- A. Vice Chair Barb Kleist gave report.
Park Commission meeting was held August 2, 2023 Katy from Landmark Conservancy was at the meeting and went over with Park Commission what can be done in the easement area. Discussion of Handicap accessible trail with Landmark Conservancy to see if paved trails are permitted at the conservancy.
Dennis Mack from Cedar Corp. was also at the meeting to go over what has to be done with pavilion and Park Commission would like to get the work done this year, if a contractor is available.

Roads:

- A. County Line Road/Cedar Corp: Dennis Mack from Cedar Corp. was in attendance. Town of Union has to have discussion with Haas Construction and Menards on land acquisition.
- B. CTH. T Funding Updates: Eau Claire County is looking at more grants.
- C. Any other road business: Excess chip seal aggregate not picked up. Will start work next week.

Township Fire Station #3 Report

- A. Dave Kleist Battalion Chief Report: Dave Kleist mentioned Township Fire Department was at a structure fire. Fire Dept. was present at Country Jam everything went well. Union Fire Department has 33 on the roaster. Will start replacing driveway markers. Corner of the Fire Station parking lot is washing out, need to fill.

Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)

- A. August 9th meeting Chair Jennifer Meyer will attend.

Citizen Input & Questions

Review/Approval Bills:

- A. Monthly Payables: Report was handed out by Clerk.
Supervisor Mona Mathews made a motion to approve all payable as presented to Board.
Seconded by Jeff Whyte. All voted yes, motion carried.

Treasurer Report – Handed out to Board.

- A. Treasurer John McLaughlin went over accounts with Board and mentioned that Personal Property tax is paid.

Underground Cables:

- A. Two this month. One on Kane Rd. and one Elk Creek Rd.

Licenses:

- A. Operators: Supervisor Paul Travis made a motion to approve operators licenses as presented to the Board. Supervisor Mona Mathews seconded the motion. All voted yes, Motion carried.

Town Properties:

- A. Transfer Station Attendant vacancy: Brett Huber is resigning his position at the Transfer Station. Bob Mathews is willing to do part-time. Looking for one other person to help.
- B. Fencing around the Tower at the Conservancy on White Pine Dr: Supervisor Paul Travis is working on.
- C. Gopher trapping at Town Hall: Supervisor Jeff Whyte has some traps set. Supervisor Megan Bischel and her husband Tony have also put traps out.
- D. Recent lightning strike at the Town Hall update: Town Hall had another lightning strike and this time it took out the phone lines.
- E. Any other Town property concerns: NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) in the Chippewa Valley is having an event on December 16, 2023. They would like to use the Town Hall as a warming place for their participants.
Supervisor Mona Mathews made a motion to let them use the Town Hall on Dec. 16th, 2023. Supervisor Jeff Whyte seconded the motion. All Voted yes, motion carried.
Town Clerk will be working that day and will have the Town Hall open for them.

Scheduled Town Meetings/Events:

- Wednesday, September 6, 2023, Park Commission meeting 9:30am/Union Town Hall
- Thursday, September 7, 2023, Comp Plan meeting 6:30pm/Union Town Hall
- Tuesday, September 12, 2023, Town Board meeting 6:30/Union
- Wednesday, October 11, 2023, Open Book Bowmar Appraisal Inc.
- Wednesday, October 18, 2023, Board of Review 5:00-7:00pm/Union Town Hall

Adjourn

This Board meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm. Chair Jennifer Meyer made a motion to adjourn, and Supervisor Mona Mathews seconded the motion.