

Town of Rock
Budget Hearing & Board Meeting
November 11, 2021
Town Hall

CALL TO ORDER: The Budget Hearing was called to order by Chairman Pete Winistorfer at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

BUDGET: The 2022 proposed budget and levy were presented.

Motion by John Zahradka; Second by Jason Krenn to approve the 2021 total town levy of \$261,854 to be collected in 2022. Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Mark Katzenberger; Second by Jason Krenn to adjourn the Budget Hearing at 7:03 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: The November Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman Pete Winistorfer at 7:04 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Pete Winistorfer; John Zahradka; Louis Krainz; Mark Katzenberger; Jason Krenn; Lisa Anderson, Treasurer; Jill Wrensch, Clerk

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT: Lori Zahradka, Jeff Meinders, Bob Reed, Harry Wallis, Theresa Pankratz, Mike Ford

MINUTES: The minutes of the October 14, 2021 Board Meeting were read by the clerk. Motion by Mark Katzenberger; Second by John Zahradka to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2021 Board Meeting as presented. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment from anyone at this time.

CONSTABLE: Bob Reed reported one incident this month with some puppies found on Hwy 10 in the Town of Lincoln. Bob had an idea on the owner and when he went to speak with them, the puppies had returned. Pete Winistorfer reported some cattle out on Hwy B. Pete went and talked to their owner, and they fixed the fence.

PLANNING: Harry Wallis reported he had not issued any permits in the last month, but he does have a pending request on a side setback variance. Harry also spoke to the building inspector, Dan Hansen, to clear up some miscommunications where residents got a permit from one or the other, but not from so that they are all on the same page.

John Zahradka mentioned a couple of buildings he's noticed that Harry wasn't notified of and Harry will go check into them now.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Jeff Meinders reported that EMS calls have remained steady. Jeff got a quote from Horton for insurance for the Department. The cost is \$4,587/year for basically the same coverage as they had through the Rural Association, but it is actually cheaper by about \$500.

LINDSEY PARK: The restrooms will remain open through hunting and then be locked for the season.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The October 2021 Treasurer's Report was presented by Lisa Anderson. Lisa has the tax collection dates set, but the County won't be printing any tax bills before December 1st.

Motion by Jason Krenn; Second by John Zahradka to approve the October 2021 Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Adoption of Zoning Application

Motion by Mark Katzenberger; Second by Louis Krainz to adopt the zoning application as the official application for the Township. Motion Carried.

Substitution for Treasurer's Bond Ordinance

Motion by Jason Krenn; Second by John Zahradka to adopt the ordinance providing for a substitution for a treasurer's bond. Motion Carried.

Citation Ordinance – Pete Winistorfer read the ordinance as the attorneys had drafted on how to issue citations. The Town will need to order and use a State of WI Citation.

Motion by Mark Katzenberger; Second by Louis Krainz to adopt ordinance 2021-3 for citations.

Discussion followed the motion. Jason Krenn questioned if the ordinance should have wording to specify that the Board had to agree on issuing a citation so that one person couldn't just act solely in the matter. It was agreed by the Board that language should be added to that effect. Pete Winistorfer will have the attorneys add that citations would be issued upon majority consensus of the Town of Rock Board. Motion carried to adopt ordinance 2021-3 for citations with the addition.

Borrowing Funds – There was discussion among the Board on the shortfall of funds and amount necessary to borrow. After the October bills, there is approximately a \$43,000 deficit with \$53,000 being paid out in November. The amount anticipated for December is around \$35,000. Jason Krenn inquired about the possibility of a line of credit, but it was unknown if that was available for a Town. The other option would be a short-term note of no more than 6 months.

Motion by Jason Krenn; Second by Mark Katzenberger to work with Partners Bank on either a Line of Credit or a six month loan in the amount of \$140,000. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried 5:0 with all in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

Funding Updates – Pete Winistorfer reported that he had put in for LRIP funds for Falcon Road, but didn't get any because there were much worse roads in other Townships. Pete put in for a Tri-D 50/50 grant for the Lincoln Bridge repairs. This application goes to the state and it was sent as a high priority.

Lynn Line Bridge – There was a meeting regarding the Lynn Line (Crooked) Bridge and Pete Winistorfer and John Zahradka attended. It is looking like 2023 for project completion.

Disaster Aid – The disaster aid paperwork was submitted and it all went to the state. Pete Winistorfer has a meeting on Monday to discuss the matter.

Patton Drive – Pete Winistorfer contacted Scott Construction about sweeping Patton Drive and it was discovered that was not included as part of their original bid. It was approximately \$1500 extra to sweep the four miles and another company had to do it because the Scott Construction trucks are not licensed after November 1st.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: The Wood County bill for Grant Lane was approximately \$5,000 higher than quoted and Pete Winistorfer will check with them to find out the difference. Motion by John Zahradka; Second by Jason Krenn to certify the bills for payment with the exception of the Wood County bill. Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE & OTHER:

- There is a ribbon cutting at School Forest on Wednesday, November 17th for solar panels that were put in. They are hoping to get a representative of the Town to be there.
- Pete Winistorfer received phone calls from two property owners in Lindsey that are having some issues; however, the Town is not getting involved in neighbor disputes unless it affects property lines.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Mark Katzenberger; Second by Louis Krainz to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm. Motion Carried.

Jill Wensch, Town Clerk