# **Seven Towns Meeting Minutes**

## Brazeau, Breed, Doty, Lakewood, Mountain, Riverview, Townsend

**Location:** Lakewood Administrative Office

**Date:** April 20, 2022

Call to order by: Town of Lakewood Chair, Joanne Roy, at 6:32 p.m.

**Present:** Brazeau: Ryan Wendt

Breed: Ethel Firgens

Doty: Andrew Stemp, Randy Siewert, Andy Dryja

Lakewood: Joanne Roy, Richard Edison

Mountain: Wayne O'Barski Riverview: Ann Hogan

Townsend: Carla Van Camp, Linda Adamczyk, Joe Heyrman

Agenda Guests: Todd Skarban Oconto County Sheriff

Andy Dryja NOCCO (Northern Oconto County Community Officer)

Jayme Sellen Executive Director, OCEDC
Adriane Bartels Planning Commission
Erik Pritzl Oconto County Administrator
Monty Brink Oconto County Parks/Forestry

Jake Stadler Project Manager, NEA

Craig Donze Engineering Department, Payne & Dolan

Beth Hartman LOC (Leadership Oconto County) Board Member

Citizens: Jim Wisneski Hidden Bear ATV Club

Dan Jonet Crooked Trails ATV Clue

Brian Fitzpatrick HBT ATV Club

Don Bartels Oconto County Board District 30

Tony Letter Northeast Asphalt

Jon Spice Oconto County Emergency Management

Chris Schultz MAS Administrator
Charlie Anderson Mountain Ambulance

Dick Kendall
Ron Schmocker
Dawn Schmocker
Rick Van Asten
Robert Lepkowski
Heather Stabo
Jim Adamczyk
Doty
Mountain
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#### Roll Call

#### Pledge of Allegiance

### **Establish Order of the Day**

#### **Business Items:**

- 1. Motion m/s/c (Stemp/Hogan) to approve the 01/12/22 minutes from the Seven Towns meeting.
- 2. Erik Pritzl introduced himself to the group and provided information and updates regarding his new role as Oconto County Administrator.
- 3. Monty Brink reported on the status of a future ATV park for Oconto County.

- 4. Jake Stadler introduced himself and offered his services from NEA as he replaces out-going Tony Letter.
- 5. Craig Donze gave a presentation and allowed time for questions from the audience.
- 6. Sheriff Skarban updated everyone on the ATV/UTV changes and then gave his Annual Report.
- 7. Andy Dryja reported on his activities since our last meeting and asked for consistency between the six towns on speed issues and roads open for ATV/UTV use.
- 8. Jayme Sellen gave an update on the new Quad County website (<a href="https://quadcountytrails.com">https://quadcountytrails.com</a>) which is a partnership between the counties of Florence, Forest, Marinette and Oconto that is dedicated to ATV/UTV use. She also covered grant statuses and Broadband expansion.
- 9. No report available as the Animal Control Officer was not in attendance.
- 10. Heather Stabo presented possibilities for biking/walking trails in our area, citing the need for funding and grant-writing. Group input suggested "smaller circles" of trails that are "not too challenging".
- 11. Beth Hartman explained the Leadership Oconto County program and asked the group to think of possible candidates for the 2022-2023 kick-off in August. More information can be found at the LOC website, <a href="https://leadershipoc.com">https://leadershipoc.com</a>.
- 12. Ann Hogan reminded everyone that "Coffee with a Cop" is Friday, April 22 from 9-10:30 a.m. at the Riverview Town Hall. Ann also requested that each town send a "Letter of Support" to the Lakes Country Public Library to assist the Library Building Expansion Committee in acquiring grants for funding.
- 13. Andrew Stemp asked for a general consensus from each town for reporting the lifting of weight limits. The date of Monday, May 2, 2022 was chosen.
- 14. Jon Spice asked for permission to speak about other options for emergency management training.
- 15. **Next Meeting**: Wednesday, July 20, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the Mountain Community Center.

Agenda topics at this time include:

- Sheriff's report
- NOCCO report
- OCEDC
- Animal Control Officer report
- Bike Trails update
- Lakewood Trail Head Richard Edison
- Emergency Management Jon Spice (10 minutes)
- Ordinance Issues for ATV/UTV's Andrew Stemp
- New legislative districts invite Wisconsin State Assemblyman Gary Tauchen, new representative for the northern towns area
- 16. Meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kendall
Seven Towns Secretary

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Posted this 8th day of May, 2022

Town of Mountain