

**TOWN OF MOUNTAIN
BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 12, 2023
MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Maletzke at 7:00 p.m. at the Bill Lazansky Community Center. Roll call was taken with Sup. O'Barski, Sup. Carey-Mielke, Chair Maletzke and Clerk/Treasurer Kauzlaric were present, as well as 8 in attendance. The agenda was posted on September 10, 2023. Clerk Kauzlaric requested removal of item #3 – Suring Area Public Library Report. Motion to approve the agenda with the removal of item #3 by Carey-Mielke. Seconded by O'Barski. Motion carried. The Pledge of Allegiance is said.

Treasurer's Report was given by Clerk Kauzlaric with bank statements available for review.

	Checking xx8354	Money Market xx9062	Money Market xx9100	Cert. of Deposit
Beginning Balance	\$9,845.27	\$82,785.81	\$ 7,017.67	\$ 96,198.25
Deposits / Interest	68,101.08	117,582.80	11.92	326.81
Withdrawals	67,327.73	67,060.00	0.00	0.00
Outstanding	Deposits – 22,200.00	151,661.86	0.00	0.00
Outstanding	Checks – 27,615.21	22,200.00		
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 5,203.41</u>	<u>\$262,770.47</u>	<u>\$ 7,029.59</u>	<u>\$ 96,525.06</u>

Motion to accept Treasurer's report as presented by Maletzke. Seconded by Carey-Mielke. Motion carried.

Minutes of the Town Board meeting held August 8, 2023, were available for review. Motion to approve minutes as presented by Carey-Mielke. Seconded by O'Barski. Motion carried.

Minutes of the Special Town Board meeting held August 12, 2023, were available for review. Motion to approve minutes as presented by Carey-Mielke. Seconded by O'Barski. Motion carried.

Budget Amendments – none at this time

Disbursements were available for all to review; checks #18112 to and including #18165 in the amount of \$90,560.97, which includes auto withdrawal of Aflac, CenturyLink and payroll taxes; plus, late online payment of the Shell Fleet credit card made after reports printed in the amount of \$39.47, for a total disbursement of \$90,600.44. Motion to approve disbursements as presented by Carey-Mielke. Seconded by O'Barski. Motion carried.

Ambulance Report – Sup. Carey-Mielke reported August had 28 calls, which is above average; total calls 2023 to date is 226; 18th Annual Nicolet Walk/Run to support local EMS to be held at Maiden Lake on October 7th.

- **Fourth Amendment to the Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement for Emergency Services** – agreement was updated to reference new State Assembly bill that allows for Levy Limit adjustment of emergency services and fire departments servicing multiple municipalities. Motion to approve the amendment by Carey-Mielke. Seconded by O'Barski. Motion carried.

Fire Department Report – Chief Giese reported issue with command vehicle (lights and sirens) has been fixed; hose testing completed; key fob system is working; training house burn scheduled in Town of Riverview; Floyd Schmidt is being recognized for the volunteer work he performs; fire on Leo's Road; N. Miller started posting public releases on their Facebook page (part of Officer II class); inquiring on training pay stipend (\$100 for completed course; \$200 for state certified completed course); conference room remodel continuing and trash is almost out so they will be able to get rid of dumpster; Sup. O'Barski presented WI DNR HIZ training certificates to R. Giese, N. Miller and M. Smedema who are now able to complete Home Inspection Zones for fire danger around property owners home. No motions are entertained.

Animal Control Report – Humane Officer Ryan Giese stated they have purchased new polo shirts with names on them with donation monies received; dog in kennel now from Lakewood issue of dog roaming at large (neighbor complaint); lost dog was found. No motions are entertained.

Cemetery Activity Update – Sup. O'Barski stated road has been paved; reminder that October 15th decorations need to be removed for fall clean up; 1-3 pending internments for this fall; charity event to be held on Veteran's Day (November 11th) at South Shore Pub for flag poles for each service around military stone at cemetery. No motions are entertained.

Community Center / Parks reports – Sup. Carey-Mielke reported she continues to work with the insurance company for the replacement of the slide due to damage; Chute Pond Lake District had their annual meeting; Anderson Inland Lake District and Anderson Lake Association both had annual meetings.

- **Green Lake Restoration project update** – Mountain Historical Society held a meeting on September 9th (54 people in attendance) at the AC Weber Park Pavilion at Green Lake; creating a preservation group; forestry is working on cleaning downed trees, fix boat landing; discussion with Forestry is to have agreement with Mountain

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Historical Society to be able to open park by last Thursday in April 2024; opened endowment account for preservation and continued maintenance donations received.

- **Fireman's Park restoration update** – no update.

Plan Commission Report – no meeting due to absence of a quorum in attendance.

7 Town Board/NOCCO Meetings Discussions – Sup. O'Barski stated NOCCO Officer Dryja had 139 calls in August for Mountain; the next meeting to be held on October 18th at Town of Doty. No motions are entertained.

Town Foreman Projects Update – Jody Wydeven stated that the McComb Lake brushing project is now complete (and under allowable hours); #5 dump truck at Packer City for repair; Chair Maletzke announced that the Town Office/Shop addition project should be started on October 2nd. No motions are entertained.

Communication File is reviewed, and list is signed.

Ordinance #2023-01 All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV)/Utility Terrain (UTV) Use of State Highway 32/64 Bridge Crossing the Waupee Creek – Chair Maletzke reviewed ordinance to allow traffic to use bridge over Waupee Creek from Waupee River Rd with use of Crescent Ln to Martin's Junction/Mountain Springs Motel driveway. Motion to approve ordinance update by Maletzke. Seconded by Carey-Mielke. Roll call vote – O'Barski – Aye; Carey-Mielke – Aye; Maletzke – Aye. Motion carried.

Ordinance #2023-02 All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV)/Utility Terrain (UTV) Use of State Highway 32 Bridge Crossing the N Branch Oconto River – Chair Maletzke reviewed ordinance to all traffic to use bridge over the N Branch Oconto River from the junction of State Highway 32/64 south towards Leo's Road. Motion to approve ordinance update by Carey-Mielke. Seconded by O'Barski. Roll call vote – O'Barski – Aye; Carey-Mielke – Aye; Maletzke – Aye. Motion carried.

Speed Limit Reduction on Town Roads (Section 4 Ln) – Chair Maletzke discussed correspondence from WI DOT regarding speed study (they do not complete); manual reviewed for options of completion of speed study; citizen member spoke with WI DOT Rodney Hamilton also and was told the town can install yellow caution signs at the curves. Tabled for more research on how to conduct speed study.

CWDG – Round 2 Grant Program – Sup. O'Barski discussed grant open until October 31st; we are searching for a grant writer to research and complete grant form; look at equipment needs that would assist with fuels reduction. No motions are entertained.

CWPP 2024 Project ideas – Sup. O'Barski stated they are looking at South Shore and Y Camp Road (and roads off these roads) for the 2024 project, funding up to \$20,000 with \$5,000 for brush site chipping. No motions are entertained.

Flagstar Bank Proposal – board members reviewed proposal received; discussed possible higher interest rates but also additional fees that are currently waived by Laona State Bank. Tabled for further discussion with each bank.

2024 Discovery Guide ad – town is allowed full page ad because of the ARPA funds given to OCEDC; board members discussed ideas for information to include in ad; will send ideas to OCEDC for ad proof. No motions are entertained.

Hearing of the People – brought about concerns relating to adding a kennel upgrade in the new Town Office/Shop building expansion.

Future Board meeting items – Section 4 Lane speed reduction; CWPP 2024 project; CWDG Grant application.

Announcements:

Lakewood Area Chamber meeting Wednesday, September 20th 2:00 pm @ Waubee Lodge

Cemetery Budget meeting Wednesday, September 20th 6:00 6:30 pm @ Community Center

CWPP (Brush Site) meeting with WI DNR Laura Hayes Friday, September 22nd 9:00 am @ Town Office

Plan Commission meeting Tuesday, October 3rd 7:00 pm @ Community Center

Town Board Meeting Tuesday, October 10th 7:00 pm @ Community Center

Budget Workshop Tuesday, October 10th immediately following Town Board meeting @ Community Center

7 Towns Board Meeting Wednesday, October 18th 6:30 pm @ Town of Doty Hall

MABA Sweet Treats Thursday, October 26th 5:30 – 6:30 pm @ Community Center

McCaslin Lions Oconto County Challenged Citizens Halloween Party Saturday, October 28th 11:00 am @ Community Center

****Senior Nutritional Meal Site – Tuesday & Thursdays 11:30 am – 1:30 pm @ Community Center**

**** Wednesday afternoon Seniors Card Club at 12:00 pm @ Community Center**

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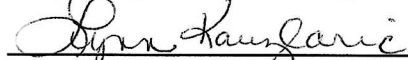
Fire Department new Hires (x4) – applications available for board members' review; discussed applicants with Fire Chief Giese. Motion that we move on all four applicants that request employment with Mountain Fire Department by Carey-Mielke. Seconded by O'Barski. Motion carried.

Employee issues (possible closed session per WI SS 19.85(1)(b)) – Motion to move into closed session per WI SS 19.85(1)(b)) by Maletzke. Seconded by Carey-Mielke. Roll call vote – O'Barski – Aye; Carey-Mielke – Aye; Maletzke – Aye. Motion carried. Time: 8:22 p.m.

Reconvened at 8:57 p.m. – Chair Maletzke stated Town Foreman Jody Wydeven to follow up with employee (contact to be made within five business days).

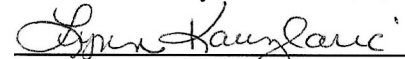
Hearing no other orders of business, Sup. O'Barski adjourned the meeting. Time is 8:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted for approval by,



Lynn Kauzlaric, Clerk/Treasurer

Posted this 7th day of October 2023



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