

TOWN OF NEWTON BOARD MEETING – ROUGH DRAFT
AUGUST 9, 2023

The August 9, 2023, meeting of the Town of Newton was called to order by Chairperson Thomas at 5:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 6532 Carstens Lake Road, Manitowoc, WI.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called, and members present were Denise Thomas – Chairperson, Kevin Behnke – Supervisor 1, Kelly Christiansen- Supervisor 2, Alyssa Grotegut-Clerk, Paulette Vogt-Treasurer, Dave Mueller-Road Supervisor/Law Enforcement Officer, Mike Slattery-Zoning Administrator.

VERIFICATION OF POSTING- APPROVAL OF AGENDA & MINUTES

An affidavit is on file showing the agenda was posted in the proper posting places. Supervisor Christiansen moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Supervisor Behnke. All approved, motion carried. Chairperson Thomas presented the minutes from the July 12 meeting. Supervisor Behnke moved to approve the meeting minutes, seconded by Supervisor Christiansen. All approved, motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer's report was submitted to the Board prior to the meeting. Treasurer Vogt shared information about the Recycling grant/reporting. Chairman Thomas made a motion to approve the treasurer's report, seconded by Supervisor Christiansen. All approved, motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

Chairperson Thomas opened public input.

Larry Stock started by thanking clerk Grotegut for having the minutes on the website so timely. Also mentioned he liked how the culverts were already blacktopped and then had a few questions on the culverts. Lastly, he mentioned more thoughts on the digital sign.

Charlie Bauer requested we make the font of the meeting agendas a bit larger for future meetings.

With no further input, Chairperson Thomas closed public input.

REPORTS

Road Supervisor – Dave Mueller came back with a quote from A.H Stock's Manufacturing on sandblasting truck 602, Chairman Thomas made a motion to approve A.H Stock's Manufacturing to sandblast truck 602 for \$4500.00. Seconded by Supervisor Christiansen, all approved, motion carried. Dave questioned the board on if he should sandblast and paint the doors on the building, the board gave the go ahead for him to do that. The Recycling center compactor got fixed, chip sealing on Wilharms Road is done. Ditch cutting was started this week. He then discussed the progress on the culverts and his concern about the piping on Clover Road and Supervisor Christiansen is going to handle those concerns. Lastly, he laid new stone around the Town Hall and Manitowoc Landscaping donated the stone. Thank you!

Law Enforcement – Dave Mueller mentioned last month about writing a burning citation, that is no longer going to happen after looking at the police report. He had a dog call and a call about a possible motorcycle race.

Zoning Administrator- Mike Slattery submitted his report to the prior to the meeting, there were no questions.

Supervisor 1 – Supervisor Behnke touched on how he is working to set up Electronic/Freon collection and how if we do this we need to work through some parameters. The digital sign was delivered to Sheboygan today and should be installed next week, with orientations to come.

Supervisor 2 – Supervisor Christiansen has nothing to add about future building needs until the Board can discuss the budget and move on from there. He is also waiting to hear back from The City of Manitowoc about the proposal for Orchard Road.

Chairperson – Chairperson Thomas stated Mark Knorr will have his flatbed for the Board to ride in the Newton Fireman’s Parade.

PUBLIC HEARING

Chairman Thomas opened the Public Hearing for the English Lake Ordinance for Slow, No Wake Operation of Watercraft during High Water Period. Chairman started by explaining what the ordinance contains. There were no comments from the English Lake District, no correspondents or input from the public. Chairman Thomas closed public input. Chairman Thomas moved to approve this ordinance as written, Supervisor Christiansen seconded. All approved, motion carried.

Clerk – Clerk Grotegut stated she received the County Bridge Aid letter. Also mentioned a nice comment she received from a resident thanking her and The Board for all they do for the town. Chairman Thomas, then made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Supervisor Behnke. All approved, motion carried.

Other Discussion – Supervisor Behnke quickly asked Dave to provide an estimate of cost on vehicles we need to replace so the Board has an idea at budget time.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Monthly Meeting – September 13, 2023

There being no further discussion, Supervisor Behnke moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Supervisor Christiansen, and the motion was adapted by acclamation. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Alyssa Grotegut, Clerk.