

TOWN OF NEWTON BOARD MEETING

FEBRUARY 14, 2024

The February 14, 2024 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. Members excused: Mike Slattery – Zoning Administrator.

VERIFICATION OF POSTING – APPROVAL OF AGENDA & MEETING MINUTES

There are affidavits on file showing the agenda was posted in the posting places. Supervisor Christiansen moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Supervisor Behnke, all approved. Motion carried. Chairperson Thomas, made an amendment on the January 10 meeting minutes, Supervisor Behnke made a motion to approve the amended meeting minutes. Seconded by Supervisor Christiansen, all approved, motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Vogt submitted her report prior to the meeting and there were no questions. Treasurer Vogt presented CD options to the Board as advised. A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's report and to approve a CD at Community First for 9 months at a 5.18% rate by Supervisor Behnke. Supervisor Christiansen seconded said motion, all approved, motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

There was no public input.

REPORTS

Road Supervisor – Dave Mueller began his report mentioning the Town Hall wasn't clean for a booking. He then moved on to update the Board that the Grader tires are on and then questioned what to do with the old ones. The Board agreed to sell all 6 tires for \$400. Dave then stated the radios in the trucks weren't working properly and called Frank's Radio and they stated our antenna is bad. Dave then questioned if he should mark roads with the weight limit signs. Next, he questioned fund availability for culvert/roadwork projects. The new truck is in and on the road, a quick discussion on what to sell the old truck was had and then decided by the Board to set the selling price at \$3000.00. Lastly, he updated the Board on the progress of the tree cutting.

Law Enforcement – Dave Mueller had a dog and raccoon call, and a citizen asked about their neighbors having a shipping container in their yard. Lastly, the wage per call was mentioned and will be on next meetings agenda.

Supervisor 1 – Supervisor Behnke briefly mentioned that the electronic collection will be April 6th from 8:00 am – Noon. Freon accepted and tube tv's will NOT be accepted.

Supervisor 2 – Supervisor Christiansen mentioned how the Fire Department is still having meetings for the future building. Supervisor Christiansen shared a quote from Quasius for an addition to the Shed at

the Recycling Center for storage purposes. Lastly, there was a quick discussion on the progress of Broadband in the area.

Chairperson – A motion to approve that the County Highway Department collect and input data on the WisDOT Small Bridge/Culvert Program in our jurisdiction was made by Supervisor Behnke, seconded by Supervisor Christiansen. All approved, motion carried. Annual Meeting discussion, we will be having the meeting April 16th with the meal at 6:00 p.m. and meeting at 7:00 p.m. The meal will be from City Limits. Clerk Grotegut will take care of the Annual Report and requests that all business that want to be advertised in the Annual Report must submit a new business card. The Plan Commission Board had two vacant spots and Chairperson Thomas made a motion to appoint Jerry Ney and Nick Hertzfeldt to a three-year term. Supervisor Christiansen seconded said motion, all approved. Motion carried. Lastly, a quick discussion on updating the Road Agreement between the Town of Newton and Town of Manitowoc from April 25th 1942 was mentioned and will be put on next months agenda.

Clerk – Clerk Grotegut stated the Auditor will be here on February 26th to complete the Town's Audit and that there is a February Election on February 20th for residents that live in the Manitowoc Public School District. Chairperson Thomas made a motion to approve paying of the bills, seconded by Supervisor Behnke, all approved. Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING DATES

Monthly Board Meeting – March 20, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

With 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