Minutes - TOWN OF RED CEDAR

The monthly Town Board meeting was held at the Red Cedar Town Hall, E6591 627th Avenue, Menomonie WI on Monday, December 13, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

1. Call to order/roll call. At 6:02 p.m., the Chairman, Bob Cook, called the meeting to order. Present were Supervisors Deb Gotlibson, Jim Richartz, Don Hayden, and Nick Berends. The Clerk, Cheryl Miller, and the Treasurer, Jill Haldeman, were also present. Six residents and a number of non residents were in attendance.
2. Public Comments. Those in attendance asked that the board put a Constitutional Rights Protection Resolution on the agenda for discussion which would declare the town to be a Second Amendment Sanctuary Town. Although town board members specified that they support the Second Amendment, the board is not interested in acting on this item due to potential legal and liability concerns. Town board members indicated that the right to keep and bear arms is already guaranteed by the Second Amendment and has been upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court in the Heller case, the resolution has no legal force, courts rather than towns decide which laws are unconstitutional, and the town has no legal authority over how tax-funded county and state resources are used for enforcement of laws believed to be unconstitutional or to direct the Sheriff to avoid unlawful enforcement of those laws. It was suggested that State Legislators be approached with respect to their concerns.
3. Minutes. *Motion by Nick Berends to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2021 Budget/Levy and town board meetings; motion seconded by Deb Gotlibson. None opposed.* MC
4. Financials. *Motion by Don Hayden to approve the previous month's Treasurer's Report and current month's claims; motion seconded by Jim Richartz. None opposed.* MC
5. Reports and Recommendations:
   (a) Patrolman. The Patrolman provided a report with respect to work performed.
   (b) Finance Committee (budget income and expenses to date) and Solid Waste/Recycling. Jill provided a report on account balances, and garbage and recycling information. Our fee for checks returned due to insufficient funds will now be $25.00.
   (c) Ordinance Committee. The Ordinance Committee did not meet in November.
   (d) Planning Commission. The Planning Commission did not meet in November.
6. Business to be discussed and/or acted upon:
   (a) Update on submitted LRIP project. Bob provided an update with respect to the LRIP application submitted. We were awarded $14,611.64 for an overlay on 730th Street from STH 12 south, although the project may be changed in the future if allowed.
   (b) Update on submitted WISLR/PASER ratings. The PASER ratings for the town's roads were provided to board members, and the WISLR packet was submitted prior to the deadline.
   (c) Review mill rates and final equated assessed value of town. The mill rates and final equated assessed value of the town were reviewed.
   (d) Appoint poll workers for 2022-2023 election term. *Motion by Deb Gotlibson to appoint the listed poll workers for the 2022-2023 election term; motion seconded by Jim Richartz. None opposed.* MC
   (e) Set Town Caucus date/time. The caucus was set for Monday, January 17, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
   (f) Other town issues, matters, and concerns. Bob indicated that the Weddin' Barn has closed and will no longer be used for that function. Cheryl will let the County know as it relates to the Special Exception Permit issued for that use.

7. Communications:
   (a) Correspondence and announcements. Cheryl provided handouts.
   (b) Upcoming agenda items. Upcoming agenda items were discussed and agreed to as follows: 5-year equipment plan and 2021 recap and future plans/dates for the yard waste disposal site.
8. Set Next Meeting Date. The next meeting date was set for Tuesday, January 18, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.
9. Adjourn. *At 7:25 p.m., the Chairman, Bob Cook, adjourned the meeting without objection.*

_____ December 18, 2021

Cheryl Miller
Clerk