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**MINUTES TOWN BOARD MEETING: October 26, 2023**

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Tom Christensen called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call to Establish a Quorum:** Jim Swenson, Brian Cooper, Tom Christensen, Ted Ritter and Kalisa Mortag along June Vogel town clerk and Jenn Jones deputy clerk/treasurer are in Community Center in room 4 with 7 community members. Jeanna Vogel treasurer is attending via Zoom.us along with 5 community members.
4. **Open Meeting Verification:** Mr Christensen noted that he had posted the meeting agenda at three locations in town on Wednesday, October 25, 2023 before 6:30 pm.
5. **Citizen's Comments – Citizens are encouraged to share their concerns and ideas with the Board. Please limit your comments to five minutes or less.**

Nancy Szott – Wondering when will the Chief St Germain committee get together. Meeting November 1, 2023, 5:30 pm.

Paul Novorolsky – Curious of property being cleared on Hwy 155 North, 80 acres. Wondering if this will be addressed by the town.

Marv Anderson – Vilas County public hearing on tourist room house proposed changes to county zoning ordinance on November 2, 2023. Vilas County law enforcement facilitated an information meeting of potential to have a county wide EMS program.

6. **Discussion /Action Items:**
  - a. **Approval of town bills for payment.** Motion by Copper to approve town bills as presented; second Mortag. Discussion: None. The motion passed by voice vote unanimously.
  - b. **Approval of past meeting minutes.** Motion by Cooper to approve the meeting minutes of October 9, 2023, October 18, 2023 and October 24, 2023 as presented; second Swenson. Discussion: None. The motion passed by voice vote with four votes in the affirmative and one abstention by Mortag.
  - c. **Review Annual Town Newsletter.** Discussion by the board. Need to finalize end of November.
  - d. **Approve 2024 Golf Course Budget** Discussion by the board. Motion by Christensen to approve the 2024 golf course budget; second Swenson. Discussion: None. The motion passed by voice vote unanimously.
  - e. **Approve Lions Service Club Signs on or around the St. Germain welcome signs.** Would like to have all service clubs listed on St Germain welcome sign and at other entrances into town. Discussion by the board. Will come up with placement design and present to the board.
  - f. **Consider draft letter(s) concerning alleged Chapter 1 – Shipping Container.** Motion by Cooper for town chair to sign violation letter; second Ritter. Discussion: None. The motion passed by voice vote unanimously.
  - g. **Determine new Fire Department high volume well bid specifications.** Discussion by the board and MSA about new bid specs. Motion by Ritter to accept the proposed bid form from MSA; second Cooper. Discussion: Bid packet to USDA for approval, bid process to go out for 3 weeks. The motion passed by voice vote unanimously.
  - h. **Appoint Zoning Board of Appeals – three positions.** Appeal has been receipted by the town for CUP application that was approved September 26, 2023. Motion by Christensen to appoint Nancy Miller to zoning board of appeals expiring September 2025; second Copper. Discussion none. The motion passed by voice vote

unanimously. Motion by Christensen to appoint Peggy Ausloos to zoning board of appeals expiring September 2026; second Cooper. Discussion none. The motion passed by voice vote unanimously. Motion by Christensen to appoint Ed Siergiej to the zoning board of appeals expiring September 2026; second Cooper. Discussion none. The motion passed by voice vote unanimously.

- i. **Approve Timberdoodle subdivision.** Approved by the Plan Commission in June 2023 and now ready to record the plat. Motion by Ritter to approve the Timberdoodle subdivision for town chair signature; second Cooper. Discussion none. The motion passed by voice vote unanimously.
- j. **Appointment of a Facility Manager effective January 1, 2024.** June has submitted resignation from this position as of end of year. Jenn Jones will take on this responsibility. Motion by Cooper to appoint Jenn Jones as facility manager effective January 1, 2024; second Ritter. Discussion: None. The motion passed by voice vote unanimously.
- k. **Update on Spectrum fiber optic project in our Town** What are the plans for taking out pedestals for Cablevision; Spectrum has started removing them. No timeline as to when that will be finished.

**7. Report of the Standing Committees**

- a. **Independence Day Celebration Committee** No report
- b. **Lakes Committee** No report
- c. **Non-Motorized Recreational Trails Committee** Pavilion construction has started at Fern Ridge. Plum Lake library put up a new book at Awassa. School has a scheduled Halloween walk at Awassa. Fern Ridge will host rendezvous January 13 and February 17 will be candlelight snowshoe at Awassa.
- d. **Parks and Recreation Committee** Fright night this weekend, working on that.
- e. **Zoning Committee** No report.
- f. **Report from Lake Districts and Other Organizations** Little Saint meets in November. Big St Germain met earlier this week. Lost Lake met. Moon and Alma met recently; chairman has taken a leave of absence and others have moved away with committee working on re-organization.

**8. Adjourn** Mr Christensen adjourned the meeting at 7:46 pm

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