TOWN OF ALGOMA WINNEBAGO COUNTY, WISCONSIN

April 19, 2023

The monthly Town Board meeting was called to order by Chairman Rasmussen at 6:00 p.m.

The following Supervisors were present: Petey Clark, Daniel Martin and Teresa Van Aacken.

Supervisor Michael Brooks was excused.

The following were also present: Administrator Rich Heath, Treasurer Sue Drexler, and Clerk Katherine Reinbold.

It was noted that the agenda was posted in three places on April 14, 2023.

On a motion by Supervisors Rasmussen/Martin, passed on a voice vote, (Supervisor Clark abstained) the Board approved the minutes of the Monthly Town Board Meeting dated March 15, 2023.

On a motion by Supervisors Clark/Martin, passed on a voice vote, the Board approved the April 2023 disbursements.

Public Forum: Wendy Kohler, 3291 Creekside Dr, would like to see public forum on the agenda moved to somewhere else where people have a better opportunity to speak about agenda items.

Chris Wright, 1425 Russet Ln, is in favor of a sand volleyball court. He believes the concept is great and fulfills the need for youth in the community.

Tricia Rathermel, President and CEO of Greater Oshkosh Economic Development Corporation reported that Winnebago County received the planning portion of the Broadband Equity Grant for \$20,000. Small Business week is coming up and it is important to support our small businesses, as well as have the resources to be successful.

Chief Sawicki presented the Fire Department's March Report. Some items noted in the report included an addendum to the EMS FLEX Grant for purchasing a pick-up truck for the First Responders. The purchase of the vehicle needs board approval. They have made contact with the Oshkosh Area School District Career Education Coordinator to assist with recruitment of new members on the department.

The Economic Development Committee did not meet.

The Planning Commission met on March 12, 2023. They reviewed the proposed CSM for BL Titan, LLC. The Commission Members did not have any concerns with the CSM and is recommending approval by the Town Board.

The Parks Committee did not meet.

Chairman Rasmussen informed the board members that the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors approved a motion that each municipality would receive \$145,000 of county's ARPA money allocation. All of the town roads and right-of-ways have been inspected this spring. There is a number of roads that need to be paved or seal coated this year.

Clerk Reinbold mentioned the April 4, 2023 election went without any issues and there was about a 50% voter turnout.

The monthly financial statements were presented.

Administrator Rich Heath reported that after a second four-week recruitment process, there was only one applicant and that person already has a full-time job with another municipality. The filling of the Treasurer position is an action item on the agenda. Remodeling of the Fire Department meeting room continues, and the clerk will occupy the new office. The Town Hall roof continues to leak and the leaks are not the result of hail damage. The insurance adjuster suggested that a roof forensic specialist be hired to figure out why it is leaking. Oshkosh Festival, Inc. is the new owner of the property that has served as the venue for Country and Rock USA. The site is located in the Town of Nekimi. Nekimi does not have any available liquor license for this event, and the Town may need to purchase a Class B liquor license from the Town of Algoma. Emily Dunham is advising the Town of Algoma on the process. There has been interest shown on the four vacant lots on S. Oakwood Road for the construction of a medical facility. There is no municipal water at that location and the Town would need to create a financing tool, such as a Tax Incremental Finance District to cover the cost for extending water from the Town Hall lot to that location.

On a motion by Supervisors Clark/Van Aacken, passed on a voice vote, the Board approved Resolution 2023-4 Accepting the Deed of Dedication for Highways Purposes of a Portion of Westmoor Road, Parcel No. 002-01580105.

On a motion by Supervisor Clark/Martin, passed on a voice vote, the Board approved Resolution 2023-5 Granting the Petition to Discontinue an Unimproved Public Way Labeled "Street" and Located Off of Oakwood Lane (a/k/a Oakwood Avenue) Pursuant to Wis. Stats. Sec. 66.1003(2).

On a motion by Supervisors Martin/Van Aacken, passed on a voice vote, the Board approved Certified Survey Map for Parcel 002-00910205 owned by BL Titan, LLC. The Planning Commission recommends the approval.

On a motion by Chairman Rasmussen/Supervisor Clark, passed on a voice vote, the Board approved Construction of a Sand Volleyball Pit at Jones Park. There is some concern with the ongoing maintenance of the volleyball pit and who will be in charge of cleaning and raking the sand. Installing etiquette signs will help prevent groups of people from taking over the court and to help keep the area clean. On a motion by Supervisors Clark/Martin, passed on a voice vote, the Board approved the EMS Flex Grant Status and Expenditures. The addendum was to include the purchase of a pick-up truck for the First Responders.

On a motion by Supervisors Van Aacken/Clark, passed on a voice vote, the Board approved the committee appointments. Petey Clark and Dan Martin to serve on the Planning Commission, Teresa Van Aacken to serve on the Parks Committee, and Michael Brooks to serve on the Economic Planning Committee.

There has been no official request from Town of Nekimi to purchase a Class B Liquor License. The cost will be at minimum of \$10,000. No action taken at this time.

On a motion by Supervisors Van Aacken/Martin, passed on a voice vote, the Board approved the Ehlers Project Specific Disclosure and Scope of Services for the creation of a Tax Incremental Finance District.

The Board discussed the Treasurer position. With the lack of candidates, do the responsibilities need to be temporarily be divided among existing staff until a Treasurer is hired or is the position expanded to full-time to attract more qualified candidates? On a temporary basis, the thought is to have the Clerk position changed to Clerk/Treasurer and have the Administrative Assistant become the Deputy Clerk/Deputy Treasurer. No action taken at this time.

On a motion by Supervisors Clark/Van Aacken, passed on a roll call vote (Clark-Yes, Martin-Yes, Rasmussen-Yes, and Van Aacken-Yes), the Board entered into closed session Pursuant to WI Statutes 19.85(1)(e): Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public property, the investment of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a close session. Re: Land Purchase on Leonard Point Road.

On a motion by Supervisors Clark/Van Aacken, passed on a roll call vote (Clark-Yes, Martin-Yes, Rasmussen-Yes, and Van Aacken-Yes), the Board reconvened in open session.

On a motion by Supervisors Martin/Van Aacken, passed on a voice vote, the Board adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Katherine Reinbold