

MINUTES

Town of Sumner- Town Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 10, 2023 7:00 p.m.

Town Hall, 1550 24½ Street, Town of Sumner, Wisconsin

1. **Call to order:** Chair Palmquist. Attendance: Supervisors Tubbs, Zimmer; Clerk Tomczak; Patrolman Svoma.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Recited.
3. **Verification of proper public notice:** Clerk Tomczak verified.
4. **Approval of Agenda by Board:** Moved Zimmer/Tubbs. No negative vote.
5. **Reports and Correspondence:** Clerk, financial report and correspondence. **Patrolman**, activity report. **Board Members.** No report.
6. **Minutes of September Regular Meeting.** Moved to approve Tubbs/Zimmer. No negative vote.
7. **Informal Public Comment:** Dave Stepanek, cemetery flag pole damage and how he fixed it. Porta-potty at park is not cleaned often enough, should get a new pumper next year.
8. **Approve wages and salaries for employees: Resolution 2023-04.** Tubbs remarked that employees should be given reviews, per town policy, before raises are considered. A meeting, with the reviews closed to public, was set for October 17, 2023 beginning at 3:00 p.m.
9. **Approve purchase of flag pole for outside of hall.** Moved Zimmer/tubbs to order the one with halyard conversion kit, silver, add light to it for \$243.98.
10. **Approve 5-year road maintenance plan.** Zimmer explained the Old 14 (16th Ave) project was changed from a 5 year to a 2 year project. Need traffic count, would like to get a counter from Barron County Highway Dept. Will finish plan by November.
11. **Discuss/Approve 2023 Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP) application.** Zimmer should have budget numbers by Oct. 17th so board can decide this at the special meeting.
12. **Plan for 150th Anniversary of Town's founding: appoint a committee, decide on how to fund.** Moved Tubbs/Zimmer to form a 150th Anniversary Committee with Palmquist and Tubbs as co-chairs and get public volunteers to form rest of committee. No negative vote. It was discussed to raise the credit card limit, as some vendors insist on payment up front. Town cost could be around \$10,000.
13. **Canton Park Committee progress report and requests.** Tubbs stated that 2 backstop pole need replacement, in spring. Electric outlets in pavilion need to be replace.
14. **Discuss 2024 Budget.** Clerk discussed 2024 budget draft. New furnace needed for the hall, because it was not working on the 9th. The proposed budget needs to be posted no later than October 25. This will be on the agenda at the special meeting on the 17th.
15. **Informal Public Comment.** None
16. **Items intended for future meetings.** Oct 17th meeting: employee reviews, approve wage & salary resolution, HVAC replacement, proposed Budget 2024, LRIP approval, road plan; November, final approval of budget.
17. **Approval of monthly bills for payment; review bills paid using alternative claims procedure.** Moved Tubbs/Zimmer to approve. No negative vote.
18. **Set Date for Budget Hearing and Special Town Meeting to set tax levy.** November 14, 2023 at 7:00 p.m for budget hearing with special town meeting to follow.
19. **Set Date for next board meeting.** November 14, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.
20. **Adjournment.** 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Tomczak, Clerk

Approved by Board:
October 10, 2023

Steven J Palmquist
Town Board Chairperson