

TOWN OF MCMILLAN
McMillan Town Hall
113904 Elm Tree Road, Marshfield, WI 54449
April 14, 2025 7:00 PM

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Deb Derfus. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
2. **Roll Call:** Present: Rod Bauer, Nicole Forst, Dave Swenson, Carolyn Opitz, Deb Derfus.
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT** –George Derfus congratulated Nicole Forst and Deb Derfus on winning their April elections. He also asked if any of the other candidates had signs missing.

Ben Tanko, from Alliant Energy, spoke regarding the Hub City Wind Turbine project. The entire project will produce 100 mw and each turbine will produce approximately 4.5 mw. The project area includes the Towns of Cleveland, Day, Green Grove, Eau Pleine, and McMillan.

4. **Approval of Town Board meeting minutes from March 10, 2025 – MOTION** to approve the minutes as presented; Forst/Bauer; motion passes

5. REPORTS

- Plan Commission – The Plan Commission did not meet therefore there is no report
- Highway – Derfus reported there has been many complaints regarding the roads as to be expected in the springtime. Rod will take the baby dump to get quotes. **MOTION** – to call for chip sealing and culvert replacement bids and quotes on the May meeting; Swenson/Opitz; Motion passes.
- Library – no report
- Buildings and Grounds – Windows in the pavilion were adjusted. Two baseball clubs are using our baseball field on Monday's and Thursday's for practice. Caleb will be returning for some summer work.
- Garbage – April 26 is the tire recycling date. Trash pickup **will** occur on July 4 so they can have the following day off.
- Policies and Procedures – Work continues
- Newsletter – the newsletter was mailed and another will come later this year late summer or early fall
- Ordinances – No update.
- Fire Department
 - i. 0 fire calls; 4 EMS calls; 1 mutual aid
 - ii. Received a \$18,633.80 grant from the Funding Assistance Program from DHS. \$2,398.08 must be placed in the EMS training account and the remaining \$16,235.72 the fire fighters voted to place in a "vehicle replacement fund" for Vehicle 8.
 - iii. Planning for 2025 Fall Fest

6. CLERK REPORT

- We received reimbursement of \$591,973.16 for Mann
- We had another successful election in April. All the local winners were sworn in.
- Clerk Cokl plans to submit the innovation planning grant by the end of the month requesting \$100,000 to explore the consolidation of fire and/or EMS services. The plan would be to contract with one of three entities in the region that specialize in that type of consulting.
- USDA MARS (UW Research Farm) is planning on constructing a new headquarters building. The project is subject to section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Midwest Archaeological Consultants did a review and didn't find any historic properties within a half-mile of the project area. Board members indicated they would like to participate, so Clerk Cokl will respond to the correspondence.
- We have not received any follow-up regarding the Husch Blackwell tax refund claim.
- 1 Zoning permit was issued on Galvin
- **MOTION** – approve checks 20616-20679 plus electronic transfer 250301-250213; Swenson/Forst; motion passes.

- Year to date budget to actual through April 14, 2025 was presented.

7. **TREASURER REPORT**

- March 2025 Bank reconciliation was presented.
- **MOTION** – to move \$591,973.16 from main checking to Highway funds money market; Swenson/Forst; motion passes
- **MOTION** – to move \$40,000 from tax savings to main checking; Opitz/Swenson; motion passes
- Treasurer Siltala will explore a CD for Fire Department Funding Assistance Program funds.
- **MOTION** – to purchase stair chair (\$2,195) using the following funds:
 - i. \$1,000 Mutual of Wausau grant and \$118 Papa Murphy fundraiser
 - ii. \$1,077 EMS supplies budgeted expense line item
 Bauer/Opitz; motion passes

8. **Cyber insurance renewal – MOTION** – to not renew cyber insurance; Forst/Swenson; motion passes

9. **Fire Department billing – MOTION** – to approve motor vehicle accident and roadway fire fee in the amount of \$500 per motor vehicle accident flat fee across the board; Forst/Opitz; motion passes

10. **Set dates for Board of Review and Open Book** – it was agreed that the Board of Review will meet to adjourn on May 21 at 6pm. Open Book will occur on July 23 from 10a-6pm and the Board of Review will happen on August 13 from 6-8pm.

11. **Garage heater quotes – MOTION** – to approve the Reigel Plumbing quote in the amount of \$7,400; Swenson/Opitz; no action. Dave Swenson will contact Reigel for a new quote with reflector replacement.

MOTION – to adjourn the meeting; Forst/Swenson; motion passes

ADJOURN: 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by: John Cokl, Town Clerk