



Town of Washington

Vilas County, Wisconsin

Minutes

Town of Washington Board of Supervisors

Monday, September 11, 2023, 5:15 pm, at the Washington Town Hall

Located at 2301 Town Hall Rd

Board Members Present: Jim Egan –Chairman, Art Granat –Supervisor, Nancy Sobraliski – Town Clerk, and Tiffany Bolte – Town Treasurer; excused Carole Linn – Supervisor. There were 18 other people in attendance.

1. **Call to order:** Meeting called to order at 5:15 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Recited by all.
3. **Verification of Postings:** Sobraliski stated the agenda was properly posted at the Wild Eagle Corner Store, MJ's Wayside, the Town Hall and on the Town's website. Local news media were notified more than 24 hours in advance.
4. **Approval of the agenda to be discussed in any order at the discretion of the Chairman.** Motion Granat, seconded Egan, all voting aye; approved.
5. **Approval of the previous minutes from August 1, 2023 (listening Session) and August 7, 2023:** Motion Granat, seconded Egan, all voting aye; approved.
6. **Treasurer's Report:** Bolte presented the August 2023 treasurer's report.
7. **Town Foreman Report:** The town crew performed grading work on several town roads and worked on West Eagle Pine Rd. Additionally, 36 no parking signs were installed in the Eagle Park area. With the assistance of Town of Conover, replaced a culvert on Columbus Rd. In preparation of work on North Military Rd, crushing was performed. The plow truck was driven to Madison for the wing work, which is anticipated to be completed by November. Egan shared information from Holly Tomlanovich about continued Vilas County involvement on possible upgrades to the Eagle Park boat landing.
8. **Library Report – JoAnn Gelling:** Ms. Gelling was present at the meeting and thanked the Town of Washington residents for their continued support of the library. She shared some statistics about library usage: 43% of town residents possess a library card; year to date visits total 55,000, 1,000 meeting reservations, and 40,000 Wifi pings. The recent survey about library services resulted in 450 responses with a high degree of satisfaction.
9. **Building Inspections – Rick Clem:** Mr. Clem was present at the meeting and asked for Town of Washington support to incorporate additional inspection services performed by RC Inspection Agency. Mr. Clem provided a draft ordinance which would need to be adopted and the Town of Washington will take his recommendation under advisement.
10. **Plat Approval – The Crossings at Lake Forest:** Greg Maines (professional land surveyor from Maines & Associates) received final approval from the state on the plat for The Crossings at Lake Forest. Motion Egan to approve the plat as presented, seconded Granat, all voting aye; approved. Egan, Bolte and Sobraliski signed the official plat based on the approval.

11. **Mountain Bike Trail:** Gary Schween was present at the meeting and discussed mountain bike trails sponsored by the Sucker Spring Mountain Bike Trail organization. The organization is currently working with Vilas County and the Town of Conover on adding 9 miles of trail, which, if approved by the Town of Washington, would incorporate 1 mile on town land, off Deerview Rd. The trail would be for mountain bikes only, no pedestrian traffic, snowmobiles, ATVs, etc. Mr. Schween will provide the land use agreement and the Town of Washington will take his recommendation under advisement.
12. **Topics for Town E-News:** Information on the Recycling Extravaganza and Transfer Station winter hours.
13. **Approval of Bills:** Motion Granat, seconded Egan, all voting aye; approved.
14. **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn Granat, seconded Egan, all voting aye; approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm.

Nancy Sobralski – Town Clerk
Approved: 10/03/2023