

**TOWN OF LEON
MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
LEON TOWN HALL, PINE RIVER
TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023**

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Sorenson at 7:10 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call, Audience Present

Board Members Present: Chairman Chris Sorenson, Supervisor Gordon Engel, Supervisor Russell Heise, Treasurer Christy Groskreutz, and Clerk Lois Jewell

Audience Present: Lewis McBriar, Jane McBriar, Adell Jewell, Cassidy Wilson, Brier Golz, Gary Lawrence, Liz Page, Michael Getchius, Mark Piechowski, Joe Horvath

Addition to January Agenda

Motion by Heise, seconded by Engel to add item of new business to the posted agenda. All ayes, motion carried.

Approval of December 13, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Motion By Engel, seconded by Heise to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2022 Board Meeting. All ayes, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Groskreutz gave the Treasurer's report from December 2022.

General Fund: Starting balance=\$33,279.49; Ending balance=\$0

December interest=\$36.23

Cemetery Fund balance=\$3,570.00 Dam Fund balance=\$14,581.39

Pine River Community Park balance=\$-880.29 Pine River Restoration Fund balance=\$29,487.27

Poy Sippi Fire Dept. Retirement Fund balance=\$12,000.00

Poy Sippi Truck Fund balance=-\$21,191.33

American Rescue Fund balance=\$151,028.74

ATV/UTV Project Fund balance=\$600.00 Road Work Expenses=\$212,861.17

Storm Damage=\$11,800.00 Library=\$2021.32

Motion was made by Heise, seconded by Engel to approve the treasurer's report. All ayes, motion carried.

Opportunity for those in attendance to address the Board

Mark Piechowski informed the board that the computer being utilized by the treasurer should be updated soon. Engel and Sorenson stated the need for new flags at the Town Hall and Cemetery. Chris will contact Craig Zimmer with the 4-H club regarding flags. Joe Horvath encouraged people to send comments to the Berlin Journal regarding the State Spending Surplus. Liz Page questioned reimbursement for a mail box that was hit by a plow.

Road Report

The first snow plowing bill was received. Fire number replacements are now on hold until the ground thaws. The Board toured the township to make a list for brush cutting to be done by the County starting with Badger Drive. A motion was made by Heise, seconded by Engel to set a starting cost limit of \$5,000.00. All ayes, motion carried. Chris will contact Mankowski to clean up behind brush cutting.

Old Business

a. Discuss joining WTA Town Advocacy Council – Motion by Engel, seconded by Heise to join the WTA Town Advocacy Council. All ayes, motion carried.

b. Discuss amending ATV/UTV Ordinance – Ordinance was amended to mirror the County ordinance. Section 4 conditions were inserted and expanded from previous ordinance. Motion by Heise, seconded by Engel to approve changes and adopt new ordinance. All ayes, motion carried. Copies will be mailed to County Sheriff's Department and DNR. Chris will also check on signs.

New Business

- a. **Discuss 2023 Contract with Poy Sippi Rescue** – Motion by Engel, seconded by Heise to approve new service agreement. All ayes, motion carried.
- b. **Discuss increase in Clerk Salary** – Motion by Heise, seconded by Engel to increase Town Clerk salary to \$10,000 per year. Increase to start January 1, 2023. All ayes, motion carried

Redgranite Area Fire District Report – No meeting to report on.

Zoning Letters – No Zoning Letters

Correspondence was reviewed

Thank you note from the Saxeville Fire Department. Notification of upcoming WTA Workshops. Radon Kits are available from the County Health Department. Green Lake Animal Shelter will no longer accept stray pets.

Discuss/Approve Payment of Bills/Expenses

Discussion was had regarding the minimum refund for tax overpayment. Motion by Heise, seconded by Engel to approve payment of bills as presented. All ayes, Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Engel, seconded by Heise to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Lois Jewell, Clerk