

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF LEON BOARD MEETING_January 13, 2021

1. Call to order. Roll call: Chris Sorenson, Russell Heise, Gordon Engel, Christy Groskreutz, Gary Sorenson. C. Sorenson called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.
2. Approve Minutes of previous meeting: Engel made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting (12/9/20). Heise seconded it, and the motion carried.
3. Treasurer's Report: The starting balance in the General Fund, as of 12/1/2020, was \$55,165.91. The final balance, as of 12/31/2020, was \$16,235.56. The final balance in the Cemetery Fund was \$2,705.00. The final balance in the Dam Fund was \$21,771.95. The final balance in the Land Purchase Fund is \$3,983.10. The final balance in the Pine River Restoration Fund was \$14,705.46. The final balance in the Poy Sippi Fire Department Retirement Fund was \$8,000.00. The final balance in the Poy Sippi Truck Fund was \$13,191.33. Road Work to date was \$204,516.56. Heise made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried.

Engel made a motion to transfer \$8,000.00 of the \$15,235.56, 2020 yearend surplus in the General Fund into the Land Purchase Reserve Fund. Heise seconded it, and the motion carried. Heise made a motion to transfer \$3,000.00 of the surplus into the Cemetery Reserve Fund. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried. Engel made a motion to transfer the remaining \$4,235.56 in to the Dam Reserve Fund. Heise seconded it, and the motion carried.

4. Resident's comments: Stop sign at the intersection of South Pearl Lake Road and Shadow Circle was knocked down and in need of repair. Stop sign at the intersection of Blackhawk Road and Brown Deer Road was knocked down and temporarily restored. Sign post will need replacement in spring.
5. Road Report: C. Sorenson reviewed estimates from Gabe's Top It or Drop it Tree Service, LLC for the tree trimming and brush removal work to be done around Pearl Lake, Chicago Road, Blackhawk Ave., Brown Deer Road and 26th Lane. Engel made a motion to have them do the work proposed in their estimate of \$26,250.00. Heise seconded it, and the motion carried. Further work may be

done later depending on the remaining funds in the Road Budget and the amount of remaining work done by Alliant Energies contractors, now working on tree and brush removal along the Town roads.

6. New business: Gary Lawrence, President of the Leon/Saxeville Library Board of Trustees, presented a proposal to have the Town cover the costs of needed repairs to the roof gutters and fascia on the Library. The old furnace in the building also needs to be replaced. He will secure estimates for the proposed repairs.

7. Old Business: A misunderstanding regarding the possibility of burning the debris remaining from the demolition of the abandoned house on the Town property adjacent to the Leon/Saxeville Library resulted in the need to dispose of the debris at an approved landfill site. An additional \$7,000 to \$8,000 will be needed in order to comply with DNR requirements.

8. Redgranite Area Fire District Report: No Fire District Meeting in December.

9. Zoning letters: Zoning Letters reviewed. No action taken.

10. Correspondence: None

11. Examine and pay bills: Heise made a motion to pay the bills. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried.

12. Adjournment: Heise made a motion to adjourn. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at: 8:35 pm

Next Meeting: February 10, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Gary Sorenson, Clerk

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF LEON BOARD MEETING_FEBRUARY 10, 2021

1. Call to order. Roll call: Chris Sorenson, Russell Heise, Gordon Engel, Christy Groskreutz, ~~Gary Sorenson~~. C. Sorenson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm
2. Approve Minutes of previous meeting (1/13/2021): Heise drew attention to an error in the Road Report. No tree trimming work had been done on Blackhawk Road, the previous month. Groskreutz drew attention to an error in the second paragraph of the Treasurer's report of the minutes. The yearend amount in the 2020 General Fund should have been recorded as \$16,235.56. Further down in the same paragraph, the amount transferred into the Cemetery Fund should have been recorded as \$4,000.00. Heise made a motion to accept the Minutes as amended. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried.
3. Treasurer's Report: The starting balance in the General Fund, as of 1/1/2021, was \$16,235.56. The final balance, as of 1/31/2021, was \$79,400.78. The beginning balance in the Real Estate Tax Checkbook Register was \$724,206.70. The final balance was \$1,555,225.58. The final balance in the Cemetery Fund was \$6,705.00. The final balance in the Dam Fund was \$26,525.30. The final balance in the Land Purchase Fund is \$12,203.30. The final balance in the Pine River Restoration Fund was \$14,705.46. The final balance in the Poy Sippi Fire Department Retirement Fund was \$8,000.00. The final balance in the Poy Sippi Truck Fund was \$13,191.33. Road Work to date was \$5,431.11. Engel made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Heise seconded it, and the motion carried.
4. Resident's comments: Becky Horvath, Leon/Saxeville Library Secretary, presented a drawing of a proposed layout for a park on the property adjacent to the Library. Grant money may be available for plantings on the parcel. A Thrivent Grant may also provide funding for permanent benches, etc. Another resident drew attention to the possibility of having part of the area used for Library parking. After some discussion, it was noted that no plans have yet been finalized. Another resident complimented the Town and the snow plowing contractor for the quality of the work that they have been doing around Pearl Lake.

5. Road Report: Discussion was had about recent tree and brush removal.
6. New business: No bids presented at this point for rain gutter and furnace replacement at the Library building.
7. Old Business. None
8. Redgranite Area Fire District Report: Fire District meeting was cancelled.
9. Zoning letters:
10. Correspondence: Zoning Letters reviewed. No action taken. Letter from Town of Mount Morris, thank Leon for surplus COVID relief funds. C. Sorenson reviewed a notification from the County Emergency management Director, about a potential grant for disaster management in the future. A rebate notice and \$65.00 check was received from Rural Mutual Insurance. Coverage for terrorist attacks is no longer included in the policy.
11. Examine and pay bills: Engel made a motion to pay the bills. Heise seconded it, and the motion carried.
12. Adjournment: Heise made a motion adjourn. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at: 8:03 pm

Next Meeting: March 10, 2021 at 7:00 pm

Respectfully submitted, Gary Sorenson, Clerk

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF LEON BOARD MEETING_MARCH 10, 2021

1. Call to order. Roll call: Chris Sorenson, Russell Heise, Gordon Engel, Christy Groskreutz, Gary Sorenson. Chris Sorenson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. Approve Minutes of previous meeting: Heise drew attention to the fact that the Clerk (Gary Sorenson) was not in attendance at the February meeting, as indicated in the "Call to Order" section of the Minutes from 2/10/21. Heise made a motion to accept the Minutes of the 2/10/21, as corrected. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried.
3. Treasurer's Report: The starting balance in the General Fund, as of 2/1/2021, was \$79,400.78. The final balance, as of 2/28/21, was \$178,201.11. The final balance in the Cemetery Fund was \$6,705.00. The final balance in the Dam Fund was \$26,525.30. The final balance in the Land Purchase Fund is \$12,533.30. The final balance in the Pine River Restoration Fund was \$14,705.46. The final balance in the Poy Sippi Fire Department Retirement Fund was \$8,000.00. The final balance in the Poy Sippi Truck Fund was \$13,191.33. Road Work to date was \$45,948.48. Engel made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Heise seconded it, and the motion carried. C. Sorenson informed the Board that the Pine River Restoration Association was going to disband and turn over their remaining funds to be added to the Town's Pine River Restoration Fund. The supplies used for the Chicken Barbeque will also be donated to the Town.
4. Resident's comments: Resident drew attention to a hazardous intersection at County Highway EE and 26th Road. Matter will have to be brought to the attention of the County Highway Department.
5. Road Report: C. Sorenson brought up the possibility of having the County Highway Department use their brush cutting mower to remove as much brush in the areas currently proposed for roadside tree trimming and removal, prior to having Gabe's Tree Trimming Service finish the work along the designated roads. In response to an inquiry from the DNR, C. Sorenson inquired of the attending representative from Brothers Construction, as to how much of the refuse pile from the demolished house adjacent to the Library had been disposed of, and how much of it still remained. The answer from the representative was about half of each. Discussion was had about the accumulation of discarded tires collected along the roads in the Town.
6. New business: None
7. Old Business: Gary Lawrence from the Leon/Saxeville Library Board presented a number of bids to the Town Board, for the replacement of the Library furnace and air conditioning. The bids presented were in the \$8,000 range for the improvements. Mr. Lawrence suggested that

the Library Board could consider the matter of contributing some of the money in a contingency fund toward the cost of the improvements. After considering some bids for the gutter replacement, The Board decided to have the rain gutter removed from the south side of the older part of the building, for the time being, in order to make an assessment of what would happen without a rain gutter in place at all. Mr. Lawrence could return at a future meeting with a decision on having the Town contribute \$5,000 toward the proposed furnace/air conditioner replacement based on a \$7,800 bid from Weise HVAC. The Library could contribute the remaining \$2800 of the cost. The decision to replace the gutter would be temporarily postponed. C. Sorenson made a motion to accept the proposal. Heise seconded it, and the motion carried. The Pine River Rainbows 4H club has offered to install a "Welcome to Pine River" sign near the road intersection of the newly acquired property, adjacent to the Library.

8. Redgranite Area Fire District Report: No meeting the previous month.
9. Zoning letters: No zoning letters received this month.
10. Correspondence: Proposed zoning changes from County.
11. Examine and pay bills: Engel made a motion to pay the bills. Heise seconded it, and the motion carried.
12. Adjournment: Heise made a motion to adjourn. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at: 8:45 pm.

Next Meeting: April 20, 2021 after the Annual Meeting

Respectfully submitted, Gary Sorenson, Clerk

Minutes of the Annual Town of Leon Board Meeting – April 20, 2021

1. Meeting was called to order by Board Chair Chris Sorenson at 7:00 pm. Roll Call: Chris Sorenson, Russell Heise, Gordon Engel, Gary Sorenson.
2. Minutes of the 2020 Annual Board Meeting were presented. Motion to approve the Minutes of the 2020 Annual Meeting made by Mike Getchius. Joe Horvath seconded it, and the motion carried.
3. Resident Joe Horvath inquired about the amount of distribution to be received by the Town of Leon from the Federal American Rescue Plan Act – Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (LFRF). C. Sorenson reported that the Town has been allocated a potential \$143,530.95. The funds are intended to cover losses incurred as a consequence of the COVID pandemic, but efforts are underway to expand that to eligibility to cover road projects, etc., as well.
4. Resident Mike Getchius informed the Board that both the Flanagan's Picnic and Pearl Lake Days events, on July 17 and August 7, were going to be held again this year, to benefit the Redgranite Fireman's Auxiliary.
5. Gerry Bailey made a motion to raise the wages of Poll Workers for the elections to \$12 per hour. Karen Syverson seconded it and the motion carried.
6. Joe Horvath made a motion to adjust the compensation for chainsaw work to \$50 per hour for the first hour and \$25 per hour for any hours beyond the first hour. A helper for the chainsaw work would get the same compensation. Gary Lawrence seconded it, and the motion carried.
7. Gary Lawrence gave a copy of the Leon/Saxeville Annual Library Report to the Board, and gave a presentation to the Board about the services that the local Library provides to the community.
8. Briar Golz made a motion to have Chris Sorenson investigate the possibility and costs of discontinuing the use of the outdoor storm sirens in the Town of Leon, and have a special meeting in the fall to invite public comment. Gerry Bailey seconded it, and the motion carried. A notification may be included with the tax bills, sent out in the fall, about the possibility that the storm sirens may be discontinued. Residents may then comment on the possibility of the discontinuation.

9. Briar Golz made a motion to hold a special meeting, in the near future to consider the matter of allowing ATVs to use the Town Roads. Kim Wilson seconded it. 6 of the electors present were opposed. 3 were in favor, and the motion was tabled.
10. Gerry Bailey informed the residents present that the Waushara County Department of Aging will provide a free weather alert radio to any qualifying elderly person.
11. Becky Horvath gave an update on the progress of the new park adjacent to the Leon/Saxeville Library.
12. Gary Lawrence made a motion to hold the 2022 annual meeting on Wednesday, April 20, 2022, at 7:00 pm. Mike Getchius seconded it, and the motion carried.
13. Mike Getchius made motion to adjourn. Gerry Bailey seconded it, and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Gary Sorenson, Clerk

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF LEON BOARD MEETING _MAY 12, 2021

1. Call to order. Roll call: Chris Sorenson, Russell Heise, Gordon Engel, Christy Groskreutz, Gary Sorenson. C. Sorenson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. Approve Minutes of previous meeting: Engel made a motion to approve the Minutes of the previous meeting (4/20/21). Heise seconded it, and the motion carried.
3. Treasurer's Report: The starting balance in the General Fund, as of 4/1/2021, was \$159,896.30. The final balance, as of 4/31/2021, was \$154,780.74. The final balance in the Cemetery Fund was \$6,705.00. The final balance in the Dam Fund was \$3,408.07. The final balance in the Land Purchase Fund is \$12,833.88. The final balance in the Pine River Restoration Fund was \$29,487.27. The final balance in the Poy Sippi Fire Department Retirement Fund was \$8,000.00. The final balance in the Poy Sippi Truck Fund was \$13,191.33. Road Work to date was \$62,741.14. Heise made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried.
4. Resident's comments:
 - C. Sorenson gave an over view of the ARPA funding, and whether or not it would provide any financial benefit to the Town.
 - Mike Getchius reported that the 2 fund raising events for the Redgranite Fireman's Auxiliary would be held at Pearl Lake again this year. Picnic and Operator's licenses would be needed for the events.
5. Road Report: C. Sorenson gave an update on the progress of this year's roadwork projects. The work on 30th Drive has begun. C. Sorenson inquired of Gabe Boersma, of Brother's Concrete Construction, about the status of the pothole filling to be done. Work will start the next week.
6. New business: Heise made a motion to approve the \$50 increase the compensation for mowing the Pine River Cemetery from \$400 per mowing to \$450. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried. Engel made a motion to approve Becky Horvath to a second term, and Debra Sattler for her first term on the

Leon/Saxeville Library Board of Trustees. Heise seconded it, and the motion carried.

7. Old Business: None

8. Redgranite Area Fire District Report: Heise gave a report on the proceedings of the meeting on April 27, 2021. Election of Officers resulted in Dave Chase being elected to the position of President; Russell Heise was elected to the position of Vice President; Christy Groskreutz was elected to the position of Secretary/Treasurer. Mark Piechowski was approved as Fire Chief; Jeff Myszewski was approved as Deputy Fire Chief; Steve Rinaldi is the Assistant Chief. Various vehicle maintenance items were approved. Alliant Energy donated \$1,000 to the ATV/UTV Fund. Chris Miller has completed his Fire Fighting Training. A storage cabinet for flammables was purchased for the station.

9. Zoning letters: Zoning Letters reviewed. No actions taken.

10. Correspondence: None

11. Examine and pay bills: Engel made a motion to pay the bills, Heise seconded it, and the motion carried.

12. Adjournment: Heise made a motion to adjourn. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at: 7:48 pm.

Next Meeting: June 9, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Gary Sorenson, Clerk

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF LEON BOARD MEETING_JUNE 9, 2021

1. Call to order. Roll call: Chris Sorenson, Russell Heise, Gordon Engel, Christy Groskreutz, Gary Sorenson. C. Sorenson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. Approve Minutes of previous meeting: Heise made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting (5/12/21). Engel seconded it, and the motion carried.
3. Treasurer's Report: The starting balance in the General Fund, as of 5/1/2021, was 154,780.74. The final balance, as of 5/31/2021, was \$141,035.52. The final balance in the Cemetery Fund was \$6,705.00. The final balance in the Dam Fund was \$3,408.07. The final balance in the Land Purchase Fund is \$12,833.88. The final balance in the Pine River Restoration Fund was \$29,487.27. The final balance in the Poy Sippi Fire Department Retirement Fund was \$8,000.00. The final balance in the Poy Sippi Truck Fund was \$13,191.33. Road Work to date was \$70,448.18. Engel made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Heise seconded it, and the motion carried.
4. Resident's comments: The Chairperson from the Leon/Saxeville Library Board submitted a check for \$656 from their recent fundraising event (Book Sale and Brat Fry), to be added to the Land Purchase Fund. Local resident, Craig Zimmer, has agreed to apply for a grant to place a flag pole on the Town Hall grounds. He has also agreed to do some maintenance on the property.
5. Road Report: C. Sorenson reported on the scheduled roadwork that was completed. More potholes filling needed.
6. New business: Liquor License applications for Daniel Thompson (The Golden Nugget), Patrick Flanagan (Pearl Lake Campsites) and Patrick Arndt (The Pine River Winery) were presented for approval. Operator's Licenses for Joan Rinaldi, Jeffrey Myszewski, Kathleen Myszewski, Gwen Conrad-Kessler, Rochel Nelson, Teresa Schaber, Patrick Arndt, Stacy Herbst, Christina Underberg, Lynda Herzig, and Brittany Tiffany were also presented for approval. Heise made a motion to approve the licenses. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried.

Increasing the compensation for mowing grounds at the Park, the Town Hall and establishing the compensation for mowing the Town property adjacent to the Leon/Saxeville Library were discussed. The new amounts would be \$60, \$80 and \$50 respectively. Heise made a motion to accept the new compensation levels. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried.

7. Old Business: None

8. Redgranite Area Fire District Report: There was no District meeting for the previous month.

9. Zoning letters: One timber permit was reviewed. No action was necessary.

10. Correspondence: Notice of a new insurance agent for the Town from Rural Insurance. Managed Forest withdrawal notice from DNR presented.

11. Examine and pay bills: Engel made a motion to pay the bills. Heise seconded it, and the motion carried.

12. Adjournment: Heise made a motion adjourn. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at: 7:46 pm.

Next Meeting: July 14, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Gary Sorenson, Clerk

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF LEON BOARD MEETING ~~DATE~~ JULY 7

1. Call to order. Roll call: Chris Sorenson, Russell Heise, Gordon Engel, Christy Groskreutz, Gary Sorenson. C. Sorenson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. Approve Minutes of previous meeting: Engel made a motion to approve the Minutes of the previous meeting (6/9/21). Heise seconded it, and the motion carried.
3. Treasurer's Report: The starting balance in the General Fund, as of 6/1/2021, was \$141,035.52. The final balance, as of 6/30/2021, was \$23,167.56. The final balance in the Cemetery Fund was \$5,805. The final balance in the Dam Fund was \$3,408.07. The final balance in the Land Purchase Fund was \$13,489.88. The final balance in the Pine River Restoration Fund was ~~\$13,489.88~~ ^{\$29,487.27}. The final balance in the Poy Sippi Fire Department Retirement Fund was \$8,000.00. The final balance in the Poy Sippi Truck Fund was \$9,191.33. The final balance in the American Rescue fund was \$75,989.37. Road Work to date was \$188,600.18. Heise made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried.
4. Resident's comments: C. Sorenson drew attention to initiative, on behalf of the Pearl Lake Rehab and Restoration Association to have a study done regarding the possibility of opening a drainage outlet for the lake. It would drain into Willow Creek. Donations would be solicited for the cost of the study. Nick Thomas, from the Association had suggested that the Town set up a fund to hold the donations until they were needed. A fund will be set up for the donations. Progress has been made on the park adjacent to the Library. The Pine River Rainbows are seeking approval from the County to erect a "Welcome to Pine River" sign at the highway intersection at the park. Local resident, Robert Jacobson, erected a new "Welcome to Pine River" sign on the north end of Pine River, on County Highway E.
5. Road Report: Gravel was delivered and spread on Pearl Lake Road. Roadside mowing has begun, along the Town roads. Pot hole filling has been completed.

6. New business: Heise made a motion to approve the Picnic Licenses for the 2 fund raising events at Pearl Lake sponsored by the Redgranite Fire Rescue Auxiliary. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried. 2 Operator's Licenses were conditionally approved for the event, pending the applicants being able to present proof of certification for having taken the training course. The licenses applications were for Lisa Madell and Brienne Chappa. Heise made a motion to conditionally approve the applications. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried. Heise made a motion to approve an Operator's License Application for Robert Wilcox. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried.

7. Old Business: None

8. Redgranite Area Fire District Report: Values for the trucks, building and contents at the Fire Department were updated for insurance purposes. Several trucks were taken in for repairs. 10 buckets of foam were ordered. 2 of the hose nozzles needed replacement. 74 fire inspections services were completed. A fire fighter resigned for health reasons. Treasurer Christy has submitted her resignation effective September 30, 2021. Replacement interviews will probably occur at the August meeting of the district.

9. Zoning Letters: Zoning letters reviewed. No action taken.

10. Correspondence: None

11. Examine and pay bills: Engel made a motion to pay the bills. Hiese seconded it, and the motion carried.

12. Adjournment: Heise made a motion to adjourn. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at: 7:45 pm.

Next Meeting: August 11, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Gary Sorenson, Clerk

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF LEON BOARD MEETING _ August 11, 2021

1. Call to order. Roll call: Chris Sorenson, Russell Heise, Gordon Engel, Gary Sorenson. C. Sorenson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. Approve Minutes of previous meeting: Heise drew attention to an error in the Treasurer's Report section of the Minutes. The final balance in the Pine River Restoration Fund should have been entered as \$29,487.27, instead of as "\$13,489.88" as recorded. Engel made a motion to accept the Minutes of the July 7, 2021 Minutes, as corrected. Heise seconded it, and the motion carried.
3. Treasurer's Report: The starting balance in the General Fund, as of 7/1/21, was \$23, 167.56. The final balance, as of 7/31/21, was \$38,276.65. The final balance in the Cemetery Fund was \$5,355.00. The final balance in the Dam Fund was \$3,919.64. The final balance in the Land Purchase Fund is \$17,989.88. The final balance in the Pearl Lake Enhancement Fund was \$1,400.00 The final balance in the Pine River Restoration Fund was \$29,487.27. The final balance in the Poy Sippi Fire Department Retirement Fund was \$8,000.00. The final balance in the Poy Sippi Truck Fund was \$13,191.33. The final balance in the American Rescue Fund was \$75,989.37. Road Work to date was \$191,177.02. Heise made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, as presented. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried.
4. Resident's comments: Discussion was had about the success of the Pearl Lake Days event.
5. Road Report: Discussion was had about the parking lot resurfacing at the Pearl Lake boat landing. Some gravel roads, in the Town, may have to be filled in, and regraded due to washout from recent heavy rains.
6. New business: After some discussion, Heise made a motion that the Town should not agree to any cost sharing for the installation of a culvert for Jon Blake on Brown Deer Drive. Engel seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
7. Old Business: None.

8. Redgranite Area Fire District Report: No Fire District meeting in July. Mark Piechowski, from the Redgranite Fire Department, reported that the August meeting of the Fire District would be their annual budget meeting. Having kept the budget amount the same since 2005, he indicated that an increase would probably be necessary for the 2022 year. 2 older trucks will need replacing, in the near future. Mr. Piechowski also suggested that more fire signs, in the Town, needed to be converted to the flag style for better visibility. Mr. Piechowski drew attention to the possibility of having the Towns, served by the Fire District, adopt an ordinance to require compliance with fire code violations.

9. Zoning letters: Zoning letters reviewed. No action taken.

10. Correspondence: None.

11. Examine and pay bills: Engel made a motion to pay the bills. Heise seconded it, and the motion carried.

12. Adjournment: Heise made a motion to adjourn. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at: 8:15 pm.

Next Meeting: August 11, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Gary Sorenson, Clerk

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF LEON BOARD MEETING_September 8, 2021

1. Call to order. Roll call: Chris Sorenson, Russell Heise, Gordon Engel, Christy Groskreutz, Gary Sorenson. Chris Sorenson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. Approve Minutes of previous meeting: Engel made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting (8/15/21). Heise seconded it, and the motion carried.
3. Treasurer's Report: The starting balance in the General Fund, as of 8/1/21, was \$38,276.65. The final balance, as of 8/31/21, was \$69,030.04. The final balance in the Cemetery Fund was \$4,455.00. The final balance in the Dam Fund was \$3,919.64. The final balance in the Land Purchase Fund is \$17,989.88. The final balance in the Pearl Lake Enhancement Fund was \$1,400.00 The final balance in the Pine River Restoration Fund was \$29,487.27. The final balance in the Poy Sippi Fire Department Retirement Fund was \$8,000.00. The final balance in the Poy Sippi Truck Fund was \$13,191.33. The final balance in the American Rescue Fund was \$75,989.37. Road Work to date was \$206,401.68. Heise made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Engel seconded it, and the motion carried.
4. Resident's comments: Resident had commented about a pothole in the boat launch at Pearl Lake Public Access.
5. Road Report: Chipseal and road grading done.
6. New business: None
7. Old Business: None
8. Redgranite Area Fire District Report: Meeting was on August 24, 2021. Mike Getchius completed 66 fire inspections. There were 41 calls for fire and EMS in July. There was a response to a house fire and a fatal car crash. Hose testing scheduled for September 25. Some truck repairs done. Building and door repairs were approved. Scheduled fire fighting class through Fox Valley Technical College in January of 2022. On September 1st 4 candidates were interviewed for the

Clerk/Treasurer position. One of the candidates was chosen, who then accepted the position.

9. Zoning letters: None

10. Correspondence: None

11. Examine and pay bills:

12. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at: 7:50 pm

Next Meeting: 7:00 pm, October 13, 2021

Respectfully submitted, Gary Sorenson, Clerk

**Minutes from Special Town Meeting of the Electors of the Town of Leon,
Waushara County at the Leon Tall Hall on Wednesday, October 13, 2021 at
7:00 pm
Regular Monthly Meeting to Follow**

Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, October 13, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. at the Leon Town Hall, a Special Town Meeting of the electors called pursuant to Section 60.12 (1)(c) of Wisconsin Statutes by the Town Board of Supervisors for the following purposes will be held:

1. Resolution to Exceed the Road Budget for 2021.

The special meeting was called to order by Chair Sorenson. Present: Gordon Engel, Russell Heise, and Christy Groskreutz. Absent: Gary Sorenson.

Present in the audience: Joe Horvath, Mark Piechowski, Mike Getchius, Karen Severson, Gerry Bailey, and Becky Horvath,

Chair Sorenson indicated the Town needs to exceed the amount of the 2021 budget by \$30,000, for the Road Budget. There is money available in the General Fund.

The audience members asked if \$30,000 was enough? If not, another resolution would be necessary, but Sorenson said that it should be enough.

Motion by Supervisor Engel, second by Supervisor Heise to approve the Resolution to Exceed the Road fund budget for 2021 by a not-to-exceed \$30,000. All ayes, motion carried.

By unanimous motion, the Special Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by Chair Sorenson and Clerk Gotthart on December 8, 2021

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**MINUTES FROM TOWN OF LEON MONTHLY TOWN BOAD MEETING
LEON TOWN HALL
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2021 AT 7:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Sorenson called the regular meeting to order at 7: 20 p.m.

Present: Treasurer Christy Groskreutz, Supervisor Gordon Engel and Supervisor Russell Heise. Absent: Clerk Gary Sorenson.

Audience present: Joe and Becky Horvath, Mark Piechowski, Mike Getchius, Karen Severson, Gerry Bailey

2. APPROVE PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 8, 2021

Motion by Heise, second by Engel to approve the minutes from September 8, 2021. All ayes, motion carried.

3. TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Groskreutz gave the treasurer's report as of 9/30/2021

General Fund Balance: \$69,050.04, Interest of \$26.56, Ending Balance \$50,363.59

Reserve Funds:

Cemetery: \$4,555.00
Dam: \$3,919.64
Pine River Community Park: \$17,989.88
Pearl Lake Enhancement: \$2,000.00
Pine River Restoration: \$29,487.27
Poy Sippi Fire Dept Retirement Fund: \$8,000.00
Poy Sippi Truck Fund: \$13,191.33
American Rescue Fund: \$75,989.37
Road Work: \$217,266.66 YTD
Library: \$11,887.78

The Transportation Fund will receive the October 4 payment of \$34,032.60.

Chair Sorenson explained that money in designated funds stay in that fund and are carried over to the next fiscal year, but if there is money left over in the general fund it becomes part of the fund balance applied to lessen the tax levy for the upcoming fiscal year.

The audience asked questions for the use of the American Rescue Fund (ARPA) and what the Town's plans are for the money. Chair Sorenson said they have to determine a plan as the money has to be used for items or actions that are COVID related. Perhaps fire numbers, street signs, Broadban options, or rescue vehicles?

Motion by Supervisor Engel, second by Supervisor Heise to approve and accept the Treasurer's report for September, 2021. All ayes, motion carried.

4. RESIDENT COMMENTS

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Becky Horvath said the Library won the Library of the Year Award and credited Collette for her dedication to keeping people supplied, her hard work, and the hard work of the community along with their cooperation to get the library property improved, for winning the award.

Audience member asked about the settlement for debris removal. Chair Sorenson said he brought it up to Gabe but did not get a response, so he has somewhat "Written-it-off", but he will contact Gabe to see what he is going to do, so the board can finalize this expense.

Becky Horvath distributed a library report and indicated that in 2022 they want to get back to planning for the structure and location of it on the property, and planting and getting black dirt for the property improvement.

She indicated there have been many requests to name the new park area by the Library. They had narrowed it down to four options and they picked the name: Pine River Community Park. The town board members supported this choice.

Supervisor Engel thanked the library staff and board, and all others that have helped maintain the library and the grounds. The community has put in lots of sweat equity. It was very beneficial that the County sold the land by the library to the Town for a very reasonable price.

The audience asked what the Restoration Fund is for? It is primarily for the Leon Town Hall building, for maintenance, painting, etc. Who owns or takes care of the ball park by the Hall. Chair Sorenson said his father had donated the land to the 4-H club many years ago, with the understanding that if there was no longer a 4-H club, the land would come back to the Sorenson family.

The Leon Town Hall is property of the Wild Rose School District and rents it to the township for \$1.00 a year with a 99 year lease, which Chris thought was about half way done.

5. ROAD REPORT

Chair Sorenson said the road aid for 2022 is \$138,875.80.

There were many trees that went down in 2021 and Chris put in many hours in clean up.

Steve from Scott's Construction will the PASER rating this year for zero dollars and will have a report for the Town soon.

Tire Disposal is \$370 a ton with a dumpster and Chris said it would be a minimum cost of \$750 if the Town went with that option, or tires could be taken directly to the County and there would be a charge by the weight. Heise has picked up many tires recently and needs to take them over to Brian to get rid of them so he can use his wagon again.

Sorenson said the Town of Mt. Morris would be doing Badger Rd. in 2022 that Town of Leon may want to assist in some of the cost for that road repair to eliminate the safety-hazzard. He will check with Dan Novak.

Perhaps the American Rescue money could be used to do some road repairs, if it qualified, to assist in paying the costs.

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Heise said that the south area of Buttercup and EE needs to have some shoulder grading done. The cul-de-sac on Bighorn is on the schedule to have some gravel work done. There are plans to do pot-hole patching, should work and mowing using the "bat-wing" mower.

Sorenson received an email from Alliant Energy that they would be doing new poles and power lines in Pine River Valley area, so the town will then need to assist in the maintenance as needed.

6. OLD BUSINESS

Sorenson indicated that the Town needs to prioritize the roads, tree trimming and brush cutting that needs to be done. Blackhawk road should be included in that list. Spraying needs to be done in the spring to get rid of some of the locust trees.

Jeff and Mary Rodencal applied for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to put a 16' x 76' manufactured home on their property. It will be "off wheels" and will have a well and septic.

Sorenson indicated he was contacted regarding the possibility of vacating part of Franklin St., back of the post office. There are some lots in the area that will need to maintain an access point. County Zoning has received complaints about the play structure that may be in the street. The Town would have to decide if they want to abandon the street. Chris will check with the County surveyor for them to mark the street to determine the boundaries.

Sorenson had been at a meeting of the Waushara County East Central Town's Association and the Town needs to consider adopting a resolution to change the by-laws to allow the Counties to appoint people to the board.

Motion by Supervisor Heise, second by Supervisor Engel to send and adopt the Town's Association East Central board the resolution that would change the by-laws and allow the positions to be appointed by the County (three people for Waushara County, two of which are already appointed). All ayes, motion carried.

At the September meeting there was a map available for the redistricting of wards in the township. Gary Sorenson was waiting for some additional information from the County. It was determined that the Town Hall should be in Ward 1, and some of the lines aren't straight as roads were used for boundaries. There are four wards for the Township. Joe H. was going to check with the county to clarify the boundaries of the four wards.

Motion by Supervisor Heise, second by Supervisor Engel to recommend the redistricting the four wards in the Town of Leon with the verification and correction, if necessary, that the Leon Town Hall be in Ward 1. All ayes, motion carried.

7. NEW BUSINESS

The board discussed the plan for ATV's using roads within the township. Some other municipalities have opened up travel on all municipal roads, others, just some municipal roads. Concern is that drivers don't have to have a drivers' license nor insurance on the ATV. Drivers can be as young as 12, and this is a safety issue concern. This is an item that will be put on a future agenda for further discussion and public input.

8. REDGRANITE AREA FIRE DISTRICT REPORT

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The fire district hired Katherine Maine as their new secretary but she declined it so they hired Nina Monacelli. They approved their 2022 fire department budget with a 10% increase, the first increase in approximately 20 years.

Truck #403 has a lot of miles on it and they may use the ARPA funds to help buy a new vehicle, estimated cost of over \$100,000, which won't be ordered until 2022, their cut out saw is repaired but is not in the best condition, they conducted hose and ladder tests, and had numerous failures, and for the year through September there were a total of 298 EMS and 56 Fire calls.

9. ZONING LETTERS

L Enlowe, Oshkosh, had a zoning violation with a travel trailer being parked on the property for longer than ordinance allows. Jeannine Renzoni, near CTH EE, has a pumping problem, there is no septic drainage, and could cause possible contamination, but they are working on remediation.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from the Library indicating they will increasing their budget in 2022.

The Fire District will receive \$33,096.36.

Payment is due on the dam.

Heise fixed a street sign that had been knocked down at the intersection of Blackhawk and Brown Deere, and an accident report is completed.

11. EXAMINE AND PAY BILLS

The mileage rate for 2021 is .56 cents per mile.

Motion by Engel, second by Heise to approve the bills for payments as presented. All ayes Motion carried.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Heise, second by Sorenson to adjourn at 9:13 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

Next Meeting: November 10, 2021

Respectfully Submitted: Chair Sorenson, Clerk Gotthart, presented for final approval at the 12.8.2021 meeting.

*Minutes typed from tape recording
of the meeting.*

**MINUTES FROM THE PUBLIC HEARING
2022 BUDGET AND TAX LEVY FOR
TOWN OF LEON
NOVEMBER 10, 2021 7:00 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER OF PUBLIC HEARING

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Chris Sorenson.

2. ROLL CALL AND AUDIENCE PRESENT

Christy Groskreutz, Treasurer, and Supervisors Russell Heise and Gordon Engel. Absent: Gary Sorenson.

Audience: Joe Horvath, Mark Piechowski, Mike Getchius, Gerry Bailey, Karen Severson, Becky Horvath

3. OPEN PUBLIC HEARING FOR BUDGET AND TAX LEVY FOR 2022

Chair Sorenson opened the public hearing for the 2022 budget and tax levy and reviewed the expense and revenue page from the budget.

Fire Protection for 2022 is \$76,638.95

There is a 2% increase in the Poy Sippi Fire contract.

There is a 10% increase in the Redgranite Fire District

Library has an increase of \$1,400 for Leon and the other Townships.

The proposed tax levy for 2022 is \$249,972.00 with the Total Roads amount of \$221,353.90.

Road maintenance is \$40,000, Bridge and Culvert maintenance is \$2,000 Road side and ditches is \$7,000, and the amount for new road construction is \$171,353.90.

Hydro Income is lowered to \$2,200. The dam payment is included in the tax levy.

The increase for the 2022 tax levy from the 2021 tax levy, is \$2,250.00

4. PUBLIC INPUT

Audience member asked how the tax money was paid. Chris explained that the individual tax bills show the percentage that each taxing jurisdiction receives based on their budget and mil rates. Town of Leon collects the taxes but only keeps their portion with the remainders being paid to each taxing authority.

5. CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

Sorenson closed the public hearing at 7: 20pm.

6. DISCUSS/APPROVE 2022 BUDGET, INCLUDING ROAD EXPENDITURES

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Motion by Gerry Bailey, second by Joe Horvath to recommend approval of the 2022 Town of Leon Budget with road expenditures of \$221,353.90. All ayes, motion carried.

7. DISCUSS/APPROVE 2022 TAX LEVY

Motion by Joe Horvath, second by Gerry Bailey to recommend approval the 2022 Tax levy for the Town of Leon for \$249,972.00. All ayes, motion carried.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Becky Horvath, second by Gerry Bailey to adjourn the public hearing.

Move to Regular meeting at 7:20 pm

Respectfully Submitted by: Chair Chris Sorenson and Clerk Gotthart at 12.8.2021 meeting

Minutes typed from listening to a tape of the meeting.

**MINUTES FROM MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
TOWN OF LEON
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2021
FOLLOWING 7:00 PM PUBLIC HEARING**

1. CALL TO ORDER AFTER PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2022 BUDGET AND TAX LEVY

The regular meeting of the Town of Leon board was called to order by Chair Sorenson at 7:20 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL AND AUDIENCE PRESENT

Present: Chair Chris Sorenson, Treasurer Christy Groskreutz, Supervisors: Gordon Engel and Russell Heise.
Absent: Clerk Gary Sorenson.

Audience present: Mark Piechowski, Mark Getchius, Joe and Becky Horvath, Gerry Bailey, and Karen Syverson.

3. PUBLIC INPUT

What is the status of the American Rescue (ARPA) funds. Chair Sorenson said that the board still has to investigate options and find ways to word the acceptance. The Fire Dept is considering buying another rescue truck and perhaps the money can be used for this? Supervisor Engel had talked to Sarah Luccini, Waushara County Finance, and she indicated that this money can't be shared.

The money has to be used for something related to COVID so the wording is important. It can't be used for something that would normally be taxed or the town may end up having to pay for the project or item. There is just under \$76,000 available.

4. DISCUSS/APPROVE MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 13, 2021 MINUTES FOR SPECIAL MEETING AND REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Motion by Heise, second by Engel to temporarily approve the minutes from October 13 as presented by Chair Sorenson, until minutes from the tape recording are available. All motion, carried.

5. DISCUSS/APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT FROM OCTOBER

Treasurer Groskreutz presented the financial report for October 1 through October 31, 2021.

General fund balance: \$50,363.59, Interest \$26.55, EOM Balance \$37,430.00

RESERVE FUNDS

Cemetery had a deposit of \$82.50 for Vet's graves, balance of \$4,637.50
Dam Fund had a deposit of \$550.41, balance of \$4,470.05
Pine River Community Park had a deposit of \$235, balance of \$18,224.88
Pearl Lake Enhancement Fun balance of \$2,000.00
Pine River Restoration balance \$29,487.27
Poy Sippi Fire Department Retirement balance \$8,000.00
Poy Sippi Truck Fund balance \$13,191.33
American Rescue balance \$75,989.37
Road Expense expenses \$238,524.26
Library \$16,570.53

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Chris talked to Gabe B. and said we need to know if he is going to bill the Town for the work before the end of the year.

Motion by Engel, second by Heise to approve the Treasurer's report as presented for October, 2021. All ayes, motion carried.

6. ROAD REPORT

Sorenson said the road sides are all mowed, the post office area is fixed finally, and he has talked to Brian regarding the TRIP, who will be putting some information together for the board.

The Franklin Street issue has been smoothed out as C. Sorenson talked to both parties.

The yard light is out on north Pearl Lake and is getting fixed.

Siren testing was done.

7. NEW BUSINESS

Chair Sorenson indicated that Clerk Gary Sorenson was involved in a car accident about a month ago, didn't feel well, went in for test and found that he has terminal cancer, and will be resigning as clerk soon. Chirs put an ad in the paper for the position and received four applications. He'd like to have the position filled before the end of the year so the new clerk could transition with Gary.

Interviews will be held at a special meeting on November 17, starting at 6:00 p,m with approximately 20-30 minutes for each interview. Chris explained this is now an appointed position so they can recruit and hire candidates from outside the Town. Chris will post notice and set up the appointments.

TAX LEVY AND BUDGET FOR 2022

Motion by Heise, second by Engel to approve the 2022 tax levy of \$249,972, with the general fund road budget of \$221,353.90. All ayes, motion carried.

8. OLD BUSINESS

None.

9. REDGRANITE AREA FIRE DISTRICT REPORT

Russ Heise reported the fire department met on 10/26/2021. The trucks are repaired, furnace has been checked, the cut say has been repaired, 5 new fire fighters have been approved and \$2,000 will be used to purchase new helmets and boots.

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10. ZONING LETTERS

The property with the illegal drain field is being remediated, located at 26th and CTH Q.

Richard ? Pearl Lake has asked for a permit for a 12' x 20' patio with retaining wall and will need to provide additional information to the county.

Reinhart, Chicago Rd wants to install a private wastewater treatment system and has 15 days to make sure it complies.

Scott Dooligan, on Buttercup, received notice that his accessory building cannot be used as a living dwelling, not even temporarily.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

No other correspondence.

12. DISCUSS/APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS

A few of the regular bills were not part of the bills that are being presented and it was decided that if those bills do come after this meeting and need to be paid before the next December 8 meeting they should be approved to allow that to happen.

Motion by Heise, second by Engel to approve the payment of the bills as presented with the addition that if some bills come in that need to be paid before the December 8 meeting that they be allowed to be paid. All ayes, motion carried.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Heise, second by Engel to adjourn at 7:52 pm. All ayes, motion carried.

Next meeting: December 8, 2021

Submitted by Chairman Chris Sorenson, and Clerk Cindi Gotthart, presented at the 12.8.2021 meeting.

Minutes typed from listening to a tape of the meeting.

Minutes from special Town Meeting on November 17,2021

Present:

**Chairman Chris Sorenson, Supervisors Russell Heise and
Gordon Engel, Treasurer Christy Groskreutz**

Chairman Sorenson Called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Agenda Item:

1. Interview applicants for the Town Clerk Position.

3 individuals were interviewed

- A. Cynthia Gotthart**
- B. Craig Zimmer**
- C. Kimberly Wilson**

After much discussion, Heise made a motion to appoint Cynthia Gotthart, with a review in 6 months. Engel seconded. Unanimous in favor.

Engel made a motion to adjourn at 7:30 PM. Second by Heise-carried.

Chris Sorenson, Chairman

TOWN OF LEON

**MINUTES FROM THE
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

**DECEMBER 1, 2021
6:30 PM**

AGENDA

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 by Chairman Chris Sorenson.

Present: Supervisors Russell Heise and Gordon Engel, Treasurer Christy Groskreutz, Cindi Gotthart, and Tom Gotthart

1. Appointment of new Town Clerk.

Chairman Sorenson distributed the minutes from the November 17 special Town Meeting from the interviews held for the new town clerk position. The board recommended that Cindi Gotthart be offered the Town of Leon Clerk position with a review to be held of her job performance in 6 months.

Motion by Engel, second by Heise to approve the appointment of Cindi Gotthart to be the town clerk for the Town of Leon, effective immediately (12/1/2021), with a review to be held within 6 months. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Heise, second by Engel to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chris Sorenson, Chairman

**MINTUES FROM THE TOWN OF LEON REGULAR BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2021
7:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER AT 7:00 PM AT THE TOWN HALL, PINE RIVER

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm by Chair Chris Sorenson.

2. AUDIENCE PRESENT AND BOARD ROLL CALL

Town Supervisors present: Gordon Engel and Russell Heise, and Treasurer Christy Groskreutz. Also present: Brian Golz, Cassidy Wilson, Gabe Boersma, Lewis McBair, Becky and Joe Horvath and Tom Gotthart.

3. PUBLIC INPUT

Lewis McBair had nomination papers for Mark Piechowski, running for County Board.

4. DISCUSS/APPROVE MINUTES:

October 13, Special Meeting for Road Resolution (has temporary approval)

Motion by Heise, second by Engel to approve the minutes from the Special Meeting of October 13, 2021. All ayes, motion carried.

October 13, Regular Board Meeting (has temporary approval)

Motion by Engel, second by Heise to approve the minutes from the October 13, 2021 regular board meeting as corrected: to include the identifies of Resolution #21-001 and Resolution #21-002. All ayes, motion carried.

November 10 Public Hearing for the 2022 Budget and Tax Levy

Motion by Heise, second by Engel to approve the minutes from the November 10, 2021 public hearing for the 2022 Budget and Tax Levy as corrected. All ayes, motion carried.

November 10 Regular Board Meeting

Motion by Heise, second by Engel to approve the minutes from the November 10, 2021 board meeting as corrected to include the correct spelling of persons in attendance, and the budget amount is \$7,000 for road side and ditches. All ayes, motion carried.

November 17 Special Board Meeting (distributed by Chris on 12/1/2021)

Motion by Engel, second by Heise to approve the minutes from the November 17 special meeting. All ayes, motion carried.

December 1, Special Board Meeting

Motion by Engel, second by Heise to approve the minutes from the December 1, special board meeting. All ayes, motion carried.

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5. DISCUSS/APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT

The check register balance end of November is \$36,457.24.
Cemetery Fund balance = \$3,287.50
Dam Fund balance = \$4,470.05
Pine River Community Park balance = \$18,224.88.
Pearl Lake Enhancement Fund balance = \$2,000.00
Pine River Restoration Fund balance = \$29,487.27.
Poy Sippi Fire Dept. Retirement Fund balance = \$8,000.00
Poy Sippi Truck Fund balance = \$13,191.33
American Rescue Fund balance = \$75,989.37.
Road Work Expenses to date \$238,524.56.

We need to get an amount due from WE Energies. Cindi will write out a check for Christy to fill in when we have the amounts.

Motion by Engel, second by Heise to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

6. ROAD REPORT

Chair Sorenson indicated he got a list from Brian Freimark, County Highway Commissioner, listing roads that need boom mowing for an estimate of \$5,130. There are also dead trees that need to be taken down around the township. Gabe indicated he is interested in road patching in the spring. Heise spray painted where it was needed at 30th and Brown Deer Road.

Lewis McBriar asked about the cost for culvert installation between his sister and John Blake. The Township isn't paying for this and his sister and Blake will have to share the cost. Township will not pay for three parcels of land.

7. DISCUSS/APPROVE LIST OF ELECTION WORKERS FOR JAN 1, 2022 THROUGH DEC. 31, 2023, WITH CHIEF INSPECTORS BECKY HORVATH AND GARY LAWRENCE, AND NEW WAGE VERIFICATION

Motion by Heise, second by Engel to approve the list of election workers from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2023 with Becky Horvath and Gary Lawrence as Chief Inspectors. Poll workers approved are: Carol Schlichting, Tina Smith, Darlene Connor, Joe Horvath, Judith Gosenheimer, Gerry Bailey, Liz Page, Judy Lippert, Bill and Deb Schmitz, Eilene Hazzard, and Cindi Gotthart. All ayes, motion carried.

8. DISCUSS/APPROVE TRAINING OF ELECTION WORKERS IN 2022

The County held a training session on December 7th, 2021 for the new voting/ballot machine. All the municipalities will be using the same machine and it will be important to train the election officials and others interested, in how the new machine will work.

We will not have to plug the machine in every month, but if it is kept plugged in, (and it can be) we won't have to worry about it being charged each month. Engels suggested that perhaps ARPA funds could be used to build a place in the town hall that would "house" the new ballot machine.

The training of the poll workers would be coordinated to make sure they trained prior to the first election in

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2022, which may be the spring primary on February 15th, for sure the April 5th election. Sorenson thought it would be helpful for any one interested to attend the training.

Motion by Engel, second by Heise to approve the training session for the election workers and any interested resident, on the new ballot/voting machine, to be coordinated with Becky Horvath, Gary Lawrence and Clerk Gotthart. All ayes, motion carried.

9. OLD BUSINESS

a. Finalize cost to remove house by Library

Gabe Boersma. indicated the final cost for the removal of the old building by the library is \$8,000, and he covered the cost of the truck dumping fees – donated approximately \$2,000.00 . He billed the Township \$6,241.85 and wondered if there was a way to classify the difference as a donation Sorenson said that Boersma would need to get the total dollar amount of the donation to him and Treasurer Groskreutz to determine

10. NEW BUSINESS

Sorenson indicated that the amount for the advocacy of the Town's Association is \$#361.75.

FIRE DISTRICT REORT needs to be included on the agenda and for agendas in the future.

Heise reported that the Fire District bought Quick Books for their Sect/Treasurer. They replaced the old fire hoses, have completed ongoing truck repairs, bought new tools for the tool boxes and donated \$200.00 to Neshkoro Fire Dept.

We will address a Fire Inspectors ordinance at the January 12, 2022 meeting as an agenda item.

11. ZONING LETTERS

Sorenson received a letter from Waushara County Zoning to Scott Skenadore, regarding a report on the property located at W2568 Beechnut Road, Town of Leon, being in violation of the use of an accessory building for living purposes, but an attached deck to said accessory building, and two campers parked on the property. The building cannot be used as a living dwelling, the deck must be removed and the campers removed as well.

12. EXAMINE AND APPROVE BILLS

Motion by Heise, second by Engel to approve the bills as presented with the permission to write a blank check to Rhyme (printing of tax bills) and WE Energy Bill, (C. Gotthart will find out the amount). All ayes motion carried.

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Bills for December 8th, 2021.

<u>PAID TO:</u>		<u>CHECK #</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Adams Columbia	utilities	9767	\$115.02
Waushara County	tires/road work	9768	\$1,682.47
Alliant Energy	utilities	9769	\$347.03
CNA Surety	bond	9770	\$282.87
Associated Appraisal Consultants	mo. premium	9771	\$1,786.63
VOID		9772	\$0.00
Waushara Arugs	publications	9773	\$78.00
Lind Excavating	road mow ing	9774	\$6,144.00
Rent a Flash	signs	9775	\$166.54
Saxeville Fire Dept	Annual donation	9776	\$3,000.00
Gabe Boersma	house removal	9777	\$6,241.85
S & G	pothole repair annual tow n hall	9778	\$412.50
Wild Rose School District	rental	9779	\$1.00
R & H Liquidators	printing tax info	9780	\$240.00
Cindi Gotthart	reimbursement/ supplies, mileage	9781	\$115.20
			\$20,613.11

13. CORRESPONDENCE

We received a title search request and check. Chris gave it to Christy to complete and send back to the title company. We may want to consider raising the fee for the title searches. Also, for a fence, a property owner should call zoning at the County.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Engel, second by Heise to adjourn at 9:14 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

Next meeting of the Town Board is January 12, 2022

Respectfully Submitted by Cindi Gotthart, Town Clerk