

**TOWN OF LEON
MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
LEON TOWN HALL, PINE RIVER
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2024**

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Sorenson @ 7:00 pm.

Roll Call, Audience Present

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

Audience Present: Mark Piechowski, Mike Getchius, Bill & Cheryl Luzinski, Lewis & Jane McBair, Mark Griese

Approval of July 9, 2024 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Motion by Engel, seconded by Heise to approve the minutes of the July 9, 2024 Board Meeting with changes noted. All ayes, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Sorenson gave the Treasurer's report from July 2024.

General Fund Beginning Balance: \$148,028.93 Ending Balance: \$141,910.78 July Interest=\$27.62

Cemetery Fund=\$2852.50 Dam Fund=\$2,156.22 Pine River Restoration Fund=\$9,837.27

American Rescue Fund=\$44,881.17 CD: Pine River Restoration Fund=\$10,476.74

Road Work to date \$60,649.38

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

Opportunity for those in attendance to address the Board

Mark Griese had questions regarding public access and also if it would be possible to have sand/salt barrels at the intersections of County Highway EE and North and South Pearl Lake Roads for the winter. Chris said that he will talk with the plow drivers when it gets closer to plow time about making sure those areas are well covered. Jane McBair requested that copies of the treasurers report be furnished for the public for future meetings and also inquired about possible grant applications for road improvements and other projects.

Road Report

Scott Construction revised their bid for the TRIP program work down to \$93.91 per ton. Chip seal work should be done on or around September 1st and the asphalt work should be done by the third week of September.

Old Business

a. Review updated loan request for towns portion of new fire truck for RAFD

Chairman Sorenson read the resolutions for the proposed loan from the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands.

A motion to approve the resolution to authorize the application to the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands, State of Wisconsin, for a loan of Ninety Eight Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$98,000.00) from the Trust Funds of the State of Wisconsin for the purpose of financing purchase of fire truck was made by Heise, seconded by Engel. All ayes, motion carried.

A motion to approve the resolution levying upon all the taxable property of the Town, a direct annual tax sufficient in amount to pay the annual installments of principal and interest, as they fall due over the next five years was made by Engel, seconded by Heise. All ayes, motion carried.

A motion to approve the resolution that no money obtained by the Town of Leon by such loan from the state be applied or paid out for any purpose except financing purchase of fire truck without the consent of the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands was made by Heise, seconded by Engel, All ayes, motion carried.

New Business**a. Review request for tree trimming of right of way by Pearl Lake for gas service**

We Energies has requested tree trimming be done on a right of way for possible gas service to be installed. Discussion also included a driveway issue on the Beese property. Chris and Russell have both viewed the properties in question. A motion to deny both requests was made by Sorenson, seconded by Heise. All ayes, motion carried. Chris will contact both parties to advise them of possible solutions.

Redgranite Area Fire District Report

Heise reported there was no July meeting.

Zoning Letters

Zoning letters were reviewed: Robert Meinen, Deer Run, in violation of running a campground. Jason Young on Cty Q has possible issues with a drainfield. Richard Okon on Cty E, in violation, multiple inoperable vehicles and running a salvage yard.

Correspondence

Reviewed letters from State Representative Kevin Peterson and also from North East Asphalt, regarding the opening a Springwater aggregate site.

Discuss/Approve Payment of Bills

Motion was made by Engel, seconded by Heise to approve the payment of the bills as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Engel, seconded by Heise to adjourn meeting at 7:57 pm. All ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lois Jewell, Clerk