

MINUTES

Byron Town Hall
January 9, 2024 7:00 p.m.

Attending: Chairperson Dustin Westphal, Supervisors Aaron Buckarma & Tim Hackbarth, Treasurer Kay Murre and Clerk Mary Laudolff

Chairman Dustin Westphal called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present Agenda: Motion: (Hackbarth, Westphal) to adopt the agenda. Motion Carried.

Approve Minutes: MOTION: (Hackbarth, Buckarma) to approve the December 12, 2023 minutes as written. Motion Carried.

Approve Bills: MOTION: (Westphal, Hackbarth) to approve paying the bills as presented. Motion Carried.

Permits: Randy Faber reported 4 permits were issued in December: Alliant Energy/Retzlaff, ROW permit, \$50; Mark Gruenberger, roofing, \$25; Dennis Drephal, new barn roof, \$25; Michael Zagar, major remodel, \$250.

Memorial Committee Report: No report.

Historical Society Report: No Report. For more information, please refer to the Historical Society's website: www.townofbyronwi.gov/historicalsociety

Public Comments: None

Unfinished Business

- a) **Update on Roads:**
 - Brush cutting has been completed
 - Tree trimming to done this winter
 - Snow plowing is in full swing
- b) **Board Discussion on Storage Containers as Alternative Storage:** The Board reviewed examples of other municipality's procedures regarding storage containers. It was agreed to contact our attorney to upgrade our ordinance regarding storage containers on the items discussed by the Board.
- c) **Board Discussion on Cell Phone:** The Board discussed eliminating all cell phones furnished by the town with the exception of Ron Wendler's phone. The Board members have been using their own phones for Town calls and felt there was no need for these phones. Mary will check on contract status etc. with US Cellular. The Board will discuss this matter further in February.

New Business

- a) **Treasurer's Report:** The checkbook balance is \$231,555.64. **Motion: (Hackbarth, Buckarma) to reinvest the CD's cashed out and deposited into the general fund in December as follows: \$10,842.30 + \$5,000.00 for Assessment Fund in a 15 month CD @4.25% and \$39,655.41 in a 15 month CD @4.25% + \$20,000.00 in a 9 month CD @4% for Capital Improvement Fund. Motion Carried.**
- b) **Board Review and Approval of Lowell Boelk CSM, Lot #1 & #2, Sec. 28:** Jeff Butzke reported to the Board, Boelk was separating land in to Lot 1 to be retained by Lowell & Sally Boelk and Lot 2 to be conveyed to grandson Josh Boelk. The land will remain in Farm Preservation. **Motion: (Hackbarth, Buckarma) to approve the Boelk land division to Lot 1 & 2. Motion Carried.**
- c) **Board Review & Approval of Geiger CSM, Lot #1, Sec 23:** This review will be tabled until the February Board meeting due to no representation.

Upcoming Events

- Next Town Board Meeting: Tuesday, February 13, 2024 @7:00 p.m.
- Town of Byron Christmas Party: January 11, 2024 @Katy's Log Cabin in Oakfield
- Municipal Leaders Meeting: January 24, 2024 @7:00 p.m., Lomira Village Municipal Bldg.
(All meetings are held at the Byron Town Hall unless noted otherwise)

Motion to Adjourn: (Westphal, Hackbarth) Time: 7:50 p.m.

Mary Laudolff/Clerk

(These minutes are not yet approved and are subject to change)