

OTTAWA TOWN BOARD

Meeting Minutes May 8, 2023

The meeting of the Ottawa Town Board was called to order by Chairman Rupp.

Roll call attendance was taken and Town Supervisors Graham, Jones, Smukowski and Wiedenman were present. Chairman Rupp stated that we have a super-majority.

Supervisor Graham made a motion to accept the Treasurer's monthly financial activity report as presented. His motion was seconded by Supervisor Wiedenman and carried.

Supervisor Graham made a motion to accept the Building Inspector's monthly activity report as presented. His motion was seconded by Supervisor Wiedenman and carried.

Supervisor Graham made a motion to accept the Engineer's monthly activity report as presented. His motion was seconded by Supervisor Wiedenman and carried.

Chairman Rupp shared Resolution 5-23 directing the Legislature and Governor to work on a solution to increase funding for the shared revenue program for all Wisconsin cities, villages and towns. Supervisor Graham made a motion to approve Resolution 5-23. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Wiedenman and carried unanimously.

There was no public comment.

Supervisor Graham made a motion to amend the 2023 Budget as follows:
Increase Clerk/Treasurer expenditures in Social Security by \$4,973 (from \$1,530 to \$6,503), using existing general fund balance and Increase Capital Outlays for the Town Hall by \$9,100 (from \$55,000 to \$64,100) with a corresponding decrease in the Contingency budget of \$9,100 (from \$50,000 to \$40,900). His motion was seconded by Supervisor Wiedenman and carried unanimously.

Chairman Rupp gave an update on the current road program. She stated that the board should put together a 3-year and 5-year plan.

Chief Bowen provided handouts with activity and updates from the WLFD.

Discussion was had regarding the Town of Ottawa Fire Board members. Bill Riemenschneider will be retiring this fall. Chief Bowen stated that there will be a shift in WLFD owners and the Town will only need one Fire Board member. Mike Tompkins will continue in that role.

Chairman Rupp appointed Norm Hausser and Brad Graham to three-year terms on the Plan Commission. Supervisor Jones made a motion to approve the appointments. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Smukowski and carried unanimously.

Supervisor Jones presented more information on the possible rental of a large roadside brushing/cutting machine. He stated with rental, insurance, fuel, payroll and blades that the cost

should come in somewhere around \$11,000. Some discussion was had regarding getting and reviewing a copy of the contract, and if the Attorney should be involved. Supervisor Wiedenman made a motion to reserve the machine for next year, if there is no cancellation fee, and to update this topic for the June meeting. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Graham and carried.

Supervisor Jones gave an update on the Pretty Lake pavilion area build, a question regarding purchase of a launch and some information on wake boats. There have been no formal requests to the Town for anything at this time.

Supervisor Jones gave an update on the park. He shared that he had an initial conversation with a pickleball club and very generally what that might look like.

Supervisor Wiedenman made a motion to table the update of the park fees to the June 12, 2023 meeting. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Graham and carried.

Supervisor Jones went over the updates to the park ordinance. Supervisor Graham made a motion to approve the updates to the park ordinance. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Wiedenman and carried.

Supervisor Graham made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2023 meeting. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Wiedenman and carried.

Supervisor Graham made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 18, 2023 meeting. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Smukowski and carried.

Chairman Rupp shared correspondence from OASC, including a pancake breakfast.

Supervisor Graham made a motion to pay bills as listed, in addition to payroll and associated withholding payments for L Geyman, M Barnhart, cardmember services, John's Disposal and WE energies. His motion was seconded by Supervisor Wiedenman and carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Wiedenman and seconded by Graham to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori J. Geyman, WCMC
Clerk/Treasurer, Town of Ottawa.