

TOWN OF CUTLER MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
Monday September 9, 2024
CUTLER TOWN HALL N10846 2nd Ave; Camp Douglas, WI

Town Board Members in attendance: Martin Potter (Chairman) via phone, Bobbie Georgeson (Clerk), Curt Jorgensen (Supervisor), James Hayward (Supervisor), and Terry Hayward (Treasurer). Also in attendance were Bob Fink, Charles Batten, and Bobby Shaw. Martin Potter called the monthly meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Minutes: Monthly Board Meeting Minutes accepted, no corrections or additions.

Treasurer's Report August Financial Report accepted as presented.

- Received August Settlement from County on 20AUG2024 for \$26,055.73 and \$53.76 for delinquent MFL on the 2023 tax roll.
- Five (5) delinquent PP tax bills, totaling \$364.97 remain outstanding, 4 parcels at Eagles Nest.

Clerk's Report Bobbie reported correspondence received during the month.

- We had 69 voters for 13August2024 Primary Election, however, 1 person pulled their VOTER Card BEFORE casting ballot, therefore only 68 votes were registered and counted. Results for Referendum Question 1- 39 YES 29 NO Referendum Question 2- 40 YES 28 NO. Bobbie is planning on assisting poll workers for 05NOV2024 General Election.
- More absentee ballot requests have been received. The current eight (8) requests will be mailed no later than 19SEP2024, per state posted deadline. Wisconsin Elections Commission sent reminder to get absentee ballots proofed and mailed 48 days prior to election with Federal position, and get Public Test performed within 10 days of election.
- On 19AUG2024, the Tomah Area School District passed an Initial Resolution Authorizing General Obligation Bonds in an Amount not to Exceed \$177,335,000. At the same time, the District also passed a Resolution Providing for a Referendum Election on the Question of the Approval of an Initial Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds in the same amount. The referendum is scheduled to be held during the 05NOV2024 Fall Election. Residents in Tomah District are encouraged to look into the referendum question and be ready to vote on it in Nov., questions regarding the referendum may be directed to Michelle Clark (TASD Business Manager) 608-374-7003.
- Department of Revenue sent Notice of Personal Property Aid 2025 Estimate \$26.84 payment 05MAY2025, Notice of 2023 WI ACT 12 Personal Property Aid 2025 Estimate \$32.07 payment 05MAY2025, and 2023 Assessment/Sales Ratio Analysis, Fielded one year sales 2023, and 2024 State Apportionment Report.
- Department of Revenue (DOR) sent notice that in the near future, DOR will be conducting an Equalized Value review of our municipality. This county wide project may involve a review of residential, commercial, and agricultural taxable property. An in-office review of each property sampled will be conducted, with the possibility of roadside inspections. This process will aid in establishing the 2025 Equalized Values which will be certified on 15Aug2025. The Department's efforts will include the selection of random samples of properties from the 2024 assessment roll as well as an estimation of the market values of the parcels selected. Their office will obtain the 2024 assessment data from the County Property Lister and request that our assessor provide access to the property record cards for the parcels to be reviewed. The cooperation of the municipality is greatly appreciated and will contribute to the development of an equitable Equalized Value.
- WISLR sent package of maps/paperwork to complete. Martin is working on materials.
- MAAA – Martin & Bobbie attended monthly meeting 26AUG2024. Meeting Minutes and Financial Snapshot available. Cutler had 1 ambulance call in July. New By Laws DRAFT was dispersed, discussion tabled until next month. Budget was discussed in depth. The current 4 options proposed were different in the amount of

personnel to hire, and the date of hire but all included new rig for North (Necedah) Area. The final option proposed was for an additional 3 new hires (current three Supervisors stay in the rigs), and a new rig added to Necedah station. That option will bring Town of Cutler 2025 cost to \$18,675. That is a 29.1% increase (\$4,210) from 2024 cost of \$14,465. After much discussion it was determined that another option is required that doesn't include another rig. Members need to discuss with their respective boards. Next meeting 23SEP2024 at 6:00 p.m. in Mauston.

- Received information regarding computer safety and tips for technical security from state IT department.
- Miscellaneous magazines and local newsletters received.

Communications to the Board None

Town Permit Application determinations

- Curt made a motion to approve Eagles Nest server application for new bartender, Jim seconded, motion carried. Bobbie completed licenses; Terry delivered to Eagles Nest.
- Ewa Tatkowski applied for camper permit. Curt made a motion to approve, Jim seconded, motion carried, Bobbie completed permit, notified Tatkowski's and assessor.
- GEC provided updated permit log

Unfinished Business See Highway Maintenance notes

Highway Maintenance

- Grading, mowing, road patrolling, and tree removal from roads completed as necessary.
- Upcoming work to include mowing town hall, mowing/grading roads, limb trimming, and patching.
- 18SEP2024 Town of Kingston Board meeting is expecting representatives from Necedah Refuge & Sand Hill to attend to discuss Kingston giving up roads in those locations. Martin Potter & Bobby Shaw plan to attend to see how this is going to proceed/effect Town of Cutler.
- Headquarters Road (Town of Cutler portion) is currently CLOSED, it is extremely wet and don't want vehicles to get stuck in large low area.
- LRIP - 22nd St W Work completed on 29AUG2024, payment made tonight.
- 22nd St (end of LRIP to Cty Road M) completed on 30AUG2024, payment made tonight.
- ARPA - 25th St from County Road M East toward 6th Ave (gravel) Scott will haul gravel as their end of season work, after completing seal coat projects.
- AG Road (2nd Ave from State Hwy 21 North to Cty Road H) Grant. Nothing new, at this time.
- Road report (daily log) was submitted by HWAH.

New Business None

Payment of Vouchers Various bills were presented, reviewed by the board, and approved for payment.

Public Comment None

Next Monthly Meeting Monday, 14OCT2024 immediately following Budget Workshop at 5:30 p.m.

Curt made a motion to adjourn, Jim seconded, motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:43 pm
Bobbie K Georgeson, Clerk