

TOWN OF CUTLER MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
Monday October 14, 2024
CUTLER TOWN HALL N10846 2nd Ave; Camp Douglas, WI

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

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

Treasurer's Report Terry gave September Financial Report, accepted as presented.

- Tax bill inserts prepared and sent to tax processors to be included with FY24 tax statements.
- One (1) delinquent PP tax bill, totaling \$43.61 remains outstanding. Terry will contact Mr. Nagel again.

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

- Zac Atkinson installed speaker (10SEP2024) for the office computer, making it able to be used for web-based training again.
- Rural Ins Workers Compensation Audit resulted in refund of \$62.00, received check 02OCT2024.
- Bobbie mailed verification package for LRIP reimbursement (\$21,551.29) to Travis Schultz (JC Hwy Commissioner) 04OCT2024. Travis will submit package to state when he can.
- Bobbie working with Laura to update website. Check out the changes, additional input is appreciated.
- Continue to receive absentee ballot requests. An additional 11 have been sent, along with the original 9.
- Bobbie completed web-based WTA Fall Training. Prefer in person when able though.
- Board of Commissioners of Public Lands sent our Annual Certified Statement of Debt. Balance of Bridge's Loan is \$111,894.25, locked in at 3% interest. Payment due next March is \$29,032.65. \$65.0 Million in Common School Fund library aid was distributed in 2024. Locally, receiving funds were Necedah Area \$51,755, New Lisbon \$40,437, and Tomah Area \$244,274.
- CRAM meeting attended by Bobbie 18SEP2024, at Mauston Hwy Commissioners office. Election of officers for 2025 were completed. Chair-Sharon Halverson, Vice Chair-Mike Keichinger, Secretary-Betty Manson. Each town was encouraged to include details in their insert for taxes on how the recycling program works at the County Landfill (handout was passed out). Terry will get 100 copies prepared, to handout when tax payments are made. The Grant was submitted and approved for FY25. Our cost for FY25 is not determined, as Seven Mile Creek is voting on whether they want to join CRAM via contract for the next 5 years. However, Travis said to use FY24 cost (\$2,155.51) and add a little for budget purposes.
- Jim completed work satisfaction card from Scott on LRIP project. Card mailed on 15OCT2024.
- Received 2025 Estimate Calculation for General Transportation Aid. It remains at \$144,054.46.
- Received Revised 2024 Shared Revenue Estimate. It remains at \$49,248.05, leaving a 18NOV2024 payment of \$41,860.84 expected.
- Received 2025 Shared Revenue Estimate of \$50,379.71, increase of \$1,131.66 from 2024.
- Received information from Dept of Administration regarding 2030 Census planning currently taking place. Looking to obtain better partnership with municipal, county, regional, tribal, and state level is key to success.
- Bobbie attended WTA Fall Training, 7&8OCT2024. Training on Election Refresher, Alcohol, 2% Fire Dues, and update from DOR were attended. Over 700 people were attending this year. Next year it will be at Chula Vista in WI Dells. The "Operator" state licenses will cost \$200 for each bartender. I think our servers will continue to get our local license going forward.
- MAAA – Martin & Bobbie attended monthly meeting 23SEP2024. Meeting Minutes and Financial Snapshot available. Cutler had 6 ambulance calls in August. Chief Chris Leopold reported that he's accepted 3 personnel resignations this past week, and that union discussions have been occurring among some personnel. He plans to

keep everyone apprised as to status along the way. By Laws DRAFT was discussed, next step is giving to an attorney for legal review. Budget was discussed. Chris offered a 5th option proposing additional personnel to be hired (mid-year) with NO rig for North (Necedah) Area. That option decreased Cutler's portion by \$3,052, per Chris' updated numbers emailed after the meeting. \$21,273 is being used for budget planning purposes, which is with the new rig and new updated revenue numbers for FY25. Next meeting 28OCT2024 at 6:00 p.m. in Mauston.

- Miscellaneous magazines and local newsletters received.

Communications to the Board Martin and Bobby Shaw attended Town of Kingston Board Meeting (18SEP2024). Martin shared Yellow River Watershed Project materials for Wildlife Refuge. He asked about abandoning 6th (in refuge), refuge agreed but need to wait for actions to begin on their side before believing it.

Town Permit Application determinations

- Bobbie & Michael Georgeson submitted application for driveway. Jim made a motion to accept, Curt seconded, motion carried. Bobbie completed application.
- Bobbie met with Morghan (Tyler) Noth for shed building permit application process on 20SEP2024.
- GEC provided updated permit log

Unfinished Business see Highway Maintenance below

Highway Maintenance

- Grading, mowing ditches, limb trimming, and tree removal from ditches completed as necessary.
- Upcoming work to include mowing town hall, grading (weather permitting), filling of sand/salt shed, and cleaning up of trees.
- 2024 Bridge Inspection Reports received from county. Bobby will need to work with Travis to get town work completed from inspections.
- Expecting County backhoe to arrive in October for the cutting of trees in road right of way. Martin will work with Travis and Bobby with their coordination.
- Martin completed WISLR paperwork/maps.
- ARPA - 25th St from County Road M East toward 6th Ave (gravel) Scott has hauled gravel in, waiting for invoicing. Bobby suggested that board chair and supervisors look at road before payment get made, ensure work at standard expected.
- 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 Budget Workshop – was completed tonight, the Budget Hearing is 11NOV2024 at 5:30 p.m., with monthly meeting to immediately follow. Bobbie will get Proposed Budget information finalized and posted.

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

Public Comment None, at this time

Next Monthly Meeting Monday, 11NOV2024 immediately following Budget Hearing at 5:30 p.m.

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

Meeting Adjourned at 7:20 pm
Bobbie K Georgeson, Clerk