

Town of Washington-Rusk County

Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

September 5, 2023

- 1.) Monthly board meeting called to order at 6:30PM. Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.
- 2.) Chuck Perry made a motion to approve previous board minutes, seconded by Kurt Gorsegner. All approved and motion carried.
- 3.) Clerk's report. Discussion of fire numbers in shed and names to go with them. Discussion of ARAP funds balance to use. Disaster aid funding, bills to send via email to report correctly on forms. Date set for budget prep meeting as Oct 31, 2023 at 6:30PM. Distributed copies of Municipal Levy worksheet to review before meeting. Shared info and census.
- 4.) Treasurer's report by Tori Hanson.
- 5.) Chairman's report. Equipment and roadwork. Discussion of LRIP funding and other sources. He has been driving around the township and sees a lot more roads in need of repair for the board to consider.
- 6.) Approval of land use permits: Bruce Halmstead, Jeff and Sue Putterman, and Russ Robbie. Dave Savage also signed for a garage permit.
- 7.) Discussion and approval of donation to Wreaths Across America. Chuck made a motion to donate \$1000.00 to the cause. Seconded by Kurt. All approved and motion passed.
- 8.) Gravel is being delivered on Friday, both in the town and to residents. Chuck is coordinating it.
- 9.) Discussion of road projects. Bailey Road. Cold patch done. Chip Seal bids in the spring. Frustration with Bailey Road. Talk about borrowing money for asphalt and possible repairs on other roads. Culvert washouts. Decision to have an informational meeting regarding what roads need work and how much to do at Oct meeting, first 30 minutes. Motion made to have this made by Chuck and seconded by Kurt. All approved and motion carried.

- 10.) Discussion of combined refuse site with other townships. Kurt will look into this.
- 11.) Discussion of whether the town needs a full-time employee. Interested resident. Directed clerk to put another ad in newspaper for full time employee with no benefits.
- 12.) Discussion of plowing for winter, ask Rusk County? Discussion of other road items, culverts on Sawdust, issues on River, etc. Important to retain 16-17% of annual income in savings. Land Trust is at 5.75%, Chippewa Valley Bank is bank used.
- 13.) Review and pay invoices/bills. Motion made by Chuck and seconded by Kurt. All approved and motion passed.
- 14.) Discussion of work meeting to be done on Sept. 26 at 6:30PM to determine options for road repair projects. Meeting adjourned at 7:40PM. Motion made by Kurt and seconded by Chuck. All approved and motion carried.

Next meeting is October 3, 2023 at 6:30PM.

Sincerely,

Deb Klund, clerk