

September 19, 2023 @ 6:30 pm
Abrams Town Meeting
Abrams Town Hall, 5877 Main Street
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Member present: - Chairman: Don Demeny, Supervisor: Debbie Winans, Supervisor: Dennis Ferdon Clerk: Jean Hansen & Treasurer: Tara Klug Absent
The Town Board Meeting called to order by Don Demeny– Debbie Winans said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda: - Motion made by Debbie Winans to accept Agenda as is.
Motion Second by Dennis Ferdon, 3 yes Motion carried.

Meeting Minutes - Motion made by Debbie Winans to accept minutes and dispense of the reading of the Town minutes July 18, 2023. Motion Second Dennis Ferdon 3 yes Motion carried.

Vouchers: - Motion made by Debbie Winans to pay Vouchers # 28381 through Vouchers #28425 for a total of \$22,701.33 for September 19, 2023, which includes ACH withdrawal Federal W/H – SS-Medicare for \$1,485.70. Motion Second by Dennis Ferdon, 3 yes Motion carried.

Treasurer Report: Jean Hansen

Reported from August 15 through September 19, 2023, Trial Balance bank account balance for September 19, 2023, read no questions. Custom Summary Report, General Property Tax \$77,781.59 Mobil Home Taxes \$44.19, Liquor/Cigs/Oper License \$60.00, Building Inspection fees \$35.00, Driveway Permit \$35.00, Landfill/Recycling Charges \$810.00, and Interest Income \$1133.50, Misc. Income \$79.35 Total income \$,888.65, and Deposit Detail was reviewed by the Board for July 18, 2023, through August 15, 2023

County Supervisors: David Behrend or Jolene Barkhaus Absent

Dave, it depends on the size of the culvert if you can get money back for replacing them. ATV trails there are more signs are being Placed. For get information on TRIP get a hold of Brain to see what can be done with getting a grant for TRIP.

Fire Department: Report by John Ferficki:

- Working on the second round of yearly fire inspections for local businesses.
- UPDATE: we had another incident on thee HWY 41 waiting over 40 Minutes for Larry's towing. Will be writing a SOP for the Town Board to approve to forward to the Oconto County Emergency Management and Sheriff's Department to always request local towing options prior to going out of the Town. Conversation with Oconto County Sheriff's Dept. & Jon Spice Emergency Management Supervisor for Oconto County regarding traffic incidents in Abrams, Little Suamico and Pensaukee – regarding timing and specifics of tow-truck companies that the Sheriffs Dept is

contacting – resulting in too much time on the highway – blocking or distracting traffic.

- Brought in outside training company to help get department up to speed in areas to try and become more efficient with less volunteers. Great insight and several of the ideas had will be implemented as funds allow.
- October 13th – Fire Prevention day at Abrams Elementary School
- Trick or Treating in Abrams the time & date

Incidents

- 09.17.23 – Called for gas leak/smell – Sandalwood Rd – dead Deer
 - 09.14.23 – MABAS called to Pulaski Structure fire
 - 09.09.23 - Youth Ball Tournament, went well – Couple teas drop out
 - 08.22.23 – County Rescue – Lift Assist and Lt. Suamico Assisted
 - 08.17.23 – County Rescue - Lift Assist
- The Park had an enjoyable time on the fundraising

Alex Sickel:

The Report on the Proposed Special Assessments for Public Improvements was presented and approved by the Board. A public hearing will be scheduled and notice will be published as well as sent out to all the residents at Parson's Pasture to give the opportunity for any parties to give public input on the report. After the public hearing the board will meeting and any changes can be made to the report and assessment plan at that time.

The Cost of the project including engineering, administrative and legal costs is estimated to be \$114,197.00. Using the boards authority under its Police Powers the public improvements will be assessed against the properties belonging to the original developer. There are 12 lots belonging to the developer, each lot would be assessed approximately \$9,500. This assessment plan is consistent with the intent of the town and developer and consistent with the increased value conferred to those lots.

Notice will be mailed and published for the public hearing and there will be a special meeting scheduled in October the date will be posted later and each resident will get a notice of the meeting. 10 Days from publication is needed to hold the public hearing. Three different vendors as if the manhole covers can be lower and yes they can. A question was asked what happens if the property doesn't sell and the developer doesn't pay the assessment, after 3 years the county could foreclose on that property and then the town may be able to buy it from the county.

Sanitary District Report:

Curt want to thank the town for getting a solution about Parson's Pasture. Otherwise, everything is going well. We are working with the DNR about try to get the Phosphorus down there are different things the ASD is trying.

Constable Report: Ray Rybka not Present**Animal Control: Dan Bergh –**

Pick up a cat and took it to the Humane Societies. Got a call about a dog running around by Asher's the Dog was not there when I check.

Park Report: No Meeting: No Meeting

Still work on the pavilion. There was question about the wages the park mows and weed eat the grass. Just to mow it takes about 5 to 6 hrs. that is with at the weed eat.

Planning Commission: –Don Demeny

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Paul Miller is requesting a Conditional Use Permit for the Operation of a sign business with the shop and retail sales. Location 5696 Steinkrause LN Unit C, Abrams, Parcel # 002413501932D. Mr. Miller state that there will be no printing equipment located there, his design partner has the equipment at other location so if any work needs to be done it will be done there. He will use the existing sign just a different face, and it will still be the same size. Hours of operation would be Mon-Sat 8am-2pm and some Sundays

Motin Made by Dennis Ferdon that the Town Recommend to the County to approve the Conditional Use Permit for the operation of the sign business with gallery and retail shop located on Parcel # 002413501932D unit C, Motion Second by Debbie Winans 3 Yes Motion Carried

Recycling Center:

Everything is going good, Harter's called and asked if they could change the pickup time different for this week, The town told Ray that he could make the decision if one of the regular employees cannot work. The brush needs to be burned could the fire department do that.

Roads Reports - Discussion and Action

The road that is going to be cut is Galuska, by Complete Service. Guy from Abrams Cutting the bush and grinding would be \$450.00 (150.00+300). Landis Excavation is \$300.00 for Cutting and grinding. Complete Service is cutting and grinding for \$180.

They are starting to cut brush on Galuska Road. The gravel on the side of Timberline keep washing away We have to find a way to stop that. Peters has filled the bad spots but that will not last long and one of these times a car will end up down in the ravine, the ditch is that deep a car could roll over if they would go off the road. The Board approve the contractor for doing the snow plowing, the cost of each item is

- Grader \$150.00/hour
- Dump Truck \$ 125.00/hour
- Pickup \$ 90.00/hour
- Salt/Sand Spread \$100.00/Hour
- Salt spread \$156.00/ton

Motion Made by Dennis Ferdon accept Peters Construction to snow plow the roads for 2023-2024

Motion Second: by Debbie Winans 3 yes Motion carried.

There was a question about the spray used to kill the weed on the side of the road. Ray S will get the info for the town. The Town of Morgan stated that they will not take care of any roads that are not theirs so we as a town will have to have an agreement in writing on how the roads that are shared with us will be taken care of.

Geano Beach, all the culverts are very bad they need to be fix.
Parson's Pasture - it is evidence it was design for a Cul-de-sac.

Town – Discussion and Action:

They Flag pole have been painted and fixed.

The stripping for the done has been finish

The street was clean up after the Abrams Bash everything was done on time.

The Halloween hours for 2024 will be Oct 31 on Tuesday between 4:30 pm and 6:30pm

The board would like to update the Developer Contractor liability for the roads where the home is being Built, the part of the contract that states if there is damage to the road you will have \$5000.00 deposit In case there is damage to the road these should cover all or part of the damaged. What we have now is Only \$1000.00 for deposit.

Adjournment:

Motion Made by Debbie Winans to adjourn the meeting.

Motion Second: by Don Demeny 3 yes Motion carried.