Rushford Town Board Minutes Thursday, March 5, 2025

The Town of Rushford March 2025 Board meeting was called to order by Thomas Egan followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with Tom Egan, Jerry Schoonover, Katheryn Lewis & Peggy Hendricks present. Also present for all or part of the meeting: 10 additional persons per attendance record on file, though others were present who did not sign in.

Statement of Public Notice: Notice of this meeting, possible quorum at EMS meetings and testing of election equipment was posted at the corner of K&E in Eureka, the Waukau post office and the Towns website.

<u>Clerks Report</u>: Motion by Schoonover to approve the minutes from February 5, 2025. 2nd by Kafer. Discussion: Motion carried.

<u>Treasurers Report</u> was given by Katheryn Lewis. The balance for the general account at the end of February was \$432,286.06. The balance in the tax account was \$1,186,890.28 Motion *by Schoonover*, 2nd *by Kafer to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.*

<u>Payment of Monthly Invoices:</u> *Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to approve and pay* \$118,484.11 invoices for March. Motion carried.

Township Policing Discussion with Sheriff's Department representative:

Public Input:

Lyden Rasmussen, Chairman of Town of Nepeuskun came to talk to the Board about appropriated innovation planning grants raining, for Townships. The purpose is for Towns who are looking into service change, for example, public safety, public health, etc. You can partner with a neighboring Township. They were looking at potentially ditch mowing, snow plowing, brush cutting, etc. He thought if they partnered with us, they might get a better deal than what they are getting now. They were thinking of maybe getting their own and partnering with another Township would help the capital cost. The applications are due the end of April. He was wondering if our Town was interested in partnering and apply for a grant to research. Egan said the Board will look into it.

Jan Clausen, 9361 Eureka Lock Rd – She requested new buoy that is needed up by the campground. Egan said since the Town maintains them and one was purchased for Delhi, that the Town would do that. Kafer will check if any buoys would be needed for Eureka, so they could be ordered at the same time.

<u>Communications & Correspondence</u>: The Town received a Timber Notice cutting for parcel #022 0439, 022 0440 and 022 0491.

Winnebago County Highway Department sent us the inventory of the Towns 6-20' structures. This has been sent to the DOT for mapping and documentation.

Egan received a note from Susan Carpenter and years ago, companies would come into test residents' water. They bought containers and instructions and the fee. She was wondering if the Town was going to do this again. Hendricks stated that you can go to ERIC – Oshkosh University, pick up containers and forms and instructions to bring you water in for testing for a small fee. More information can be found at https://www.uwosh.edu/eric/environmental-health-testing/water-testing/

Hendricks will also put this on the Towns website under NEWS.

<u>Old Business</u>: Updates on Kasuboski: Eric Freund contacted the property owner on Monday and he stated he did clean up where he moved all the trailers. It was asked when he will have a new plan for his house. Kasuboski said he is out of money so it will have to wait. He said he is not living there, for he is living in Berlin. They did clean up where Roger moved his items at his brothers. The plan is to dig a big hole and bury everything. Egan asked who was going to pay all the attorney bills. Freund

will contact the Attorney, but the way he understood it, that was tied to the fines.

Updates on Spencer Property- Nothing has been cleaned up or done on the property. **Motion by Kafer,** 2^{nd} **by Schoonover to purchase bouys as needed for the river. Motion carried.**

<u>Town Zoning Report - Eric Freund:</u> Freund has been contacted about cars which he will check into. He received a letter from a survey company regarding Putlzers on Lost Lane. They would like to move a lot line.

Sheriffs report: Deputy Chue Vue was present to answer any questions from the residents.

New Business: CSM for Albright Bros, parcel #022 0173 located at 4254 Spring Road, Omro, WI They purchased this farm and they would like to take a parcel out to sell as residential. Egan stated this will need a zoning change. *Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Kafer, to approve the CSM for parcel #022 0173 located at 4254 Spring Road. Motion carried.*

CSM for Susan Metko, parcel #022 0910, 7396 Commercial St, Waukau along with properties Wesley Immel and Jessika Miller, parcel numbers 022 0911, 022 091001 and 022 1043, located at 2670 State Rd 116, Original Plat of Waukau PT Lot 1 BLK B - .02A, 2674 State Rd 116, Omro, WI. and Sonya Bock, Parcel #022 092501 located at 7389 Commercial St, Omro, WI: Metko and her neighbors would like to adjust the lot lines to make her house satisfy the County set backs and to match what they are occupying. The Town signed the CSM, but there are property owners that need to pay their taxes before the Town Treasurer and County can sign the CSM.

Motion by Kafer, 2^{nd} by Schoonover to approve the proposed CSM for Sue Metko with the description above. Motion carried.

Hendricks asked if the Town would consider donating old record books to Omro Historical Society. Egan said the plats should be left at the hall. The Board would like someone to come to the next meeting to speak, for they would consider putting them on loan.

Review of Draft IGA (Intergovernmental Agreement) for possible future EMS services – Kafer went to the last meeting and this was drew up at that meeting. This is the 3rd step from the Plan of Action for New EMS district. The Town of Omro did apply for the Innovation planning grant. *Motion by Kafer,* 2nd by Schoonover to approve the IGA draft for future EMS services.. Motion carried.

A member from the Town needs to be appointed to the Ambulance Board. Egan asked Kafer if he would be the Towns representative. Kafer agreed. Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan to appoint Pat Kafer to the ambulance board. Motion carried.

Town Maintenance: Freund said a s amtop sign was taken down on Eureka Road & Liberty School Road. The County put up a temporary sign and the Town will replace the posts. The Road tour should be scheduled. The Board agreed to plan on March 25th at 9 am.

County Report: Egan mentioned that the County Executive would like priority budgeting and has been having meetings on that along with facility studies.

Attended meetings:

February Election on Feb 18th There were 159 voters.

Joint Fire Department meeting on 2/19 – The agreement for the fire district was updated and approved. Report was given by Egan.

EMS meeting at the Town of Omro on February 25th. Report was given by Kafer.

Public hearing for Winnebago Co Parks District on March $11^{\rm th}$ at 8 am at the Coughlin Center WTA District meetings with Board of Review training – Hendricks will be attending this. Spring Election on April 1, 2025 7 am to 8 pm

Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to adjourn the meeting at 8:00. Motion carried. Respectfully submitted by Peggy Hendricks, Clerk