



# Town of Wagner



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## MEETING MINUTES MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022 6:30 pm

Town of Wagner Town Hall, W2379 County Road JJ, Wausauke

Attendance: Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr., Supervisors Mollie Arthur and Ed Delfosse, Clerk Cassie Brown, Treasurer Margo Renikow and 21 members of the public.

1. **Call to order – attendance sign in. Called to order by Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. at 7:04PM.**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance was said at the annual meeting.**
3. **Approve agenda. Motion to approve Arthur/Delfosse.**
4. **Correspondence. None.**
5. **Board updates. None.**
6. **Public input – Speakers will be limited to 5 minutes.**
  - a. **Roy Geurts stated there is a public trust doctrine that applies to all WI residents. This document states that WI waters belong to all residents, and their rights are the same across the board. When conflict occurs between the public and property owners the public rights take primary priority. Mr. Geurts supports no wake hours of 4PM-10PM. In order for the ordinance to be enforceable both the Town of Wagner and Middle Inlet have to agree on the terms. The Middle Inlet public meeting is on 4/14 at 6pm in the Middle Inlet Town Hall. The phone number is 715-854-3106 and the clerk can be reached at [clerk@middleinlet.org](mailto:clerk@middleinlet.org).**
  - b. **Ginny Polomis questioned what would happen if an agreement is not made. Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated the Town of Wagner could put up a sign but the ordinance would not be enforceable.**
  - c. **Mike Caylor stated the Wagner Sportsman’s Club is hosting a Town road clean up on 4/24/22 from 10AM-12PM. Please meet at the Town Hall and there will be food afterwards.**
7. **Discuss/Consider March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 monthly meeting minutes, action if any. Motion to approve Arthur/Delfosse.**



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8. **Discussion only Treasurer's report ending March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022.** Treasurer Margo Renikow discussed the Town's ending cash balances.
9. **Budget adjustments / transfers.** Treasurer Margo Renikow stated \$250,000 was transferred from money market to checking.
10. **Fire Department updates.** Mike Caylor stated 3 calls were made since the last meeting. One for a car fire, one MABAS call to Porterfield and one MABAS call to Marinette. 44 hours were spent on maintenance and training. The next meat raffle is at the Heritage on 4/23 from 12PM-3PM. The June Jamboree is at the Heritage on 6/25.
11. **Public Works updates.** Jimmy Brown stated the recycling center is running efficiently. Brushing has been completed from the last storm. Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated the Town roads were brushed and stumps will be cleaned up.
12. **Animal Control updates.** Jerry Micksch stated one call came in about a dog hit on Cottage Lane. He asked the Board what to do if a dog is hit with no tags. Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated he should contact the Sheriff's Department for guidance.
13. **Action Items, action if any:**
  - a. **Discuss/consider Old Depot demolition / legal action.** Supervisor Mollie Arthur stated a petition was received from the lawyer and needed to be signed in order to move forward with court proceedings. Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. signed the petition.
  - b. **Discuss/consider Supervisor Ed Delfosse attending the WTA District Meeting.** Supervisor Ed Delfosse will complete BOR training locally with purchased materials.
  - c. **Discuss/consider future road work in the Town.** Motion to approve seeking bid for work on Broennenberg Rd Arthur/Delfosse. Wade Fronsee questioned the benefit of moving the bridge on Cottage Lane. Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated the curve is almost 90 degrees, and if it is moved the road would be straight. Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated 27 projects were submitted for this funding state wide, and the project on Cottage Lane was the only one awarded in



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Marinette County. Federal transportation funding would pay 80% but all work has to be done by an engineering firm which would elevate costs. Old Rail Road from X to Highway 180 might be a good project to apply for. The Board agreed it is worth looking into. Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated he will look into estimated costs.

- d. Discuss/consider wake hours for Lake Mary / No wake ordinance. Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated due to open meetings law items on the agenda cannot be discussed in between meetings. He feels this is the most important thing the Board will vote on this year. This issue impacts the public and who uses the lake, and is also preserving it for future generations. Per state statute the Board is the only entity who decides this. The gentleman's agreement that has been referred to should be with the Board as they are the only ones who can make this decision. The sign should state under who's authority the hours are set with an ordinance number and this is not indicated. The hours were originally 4PM-10PM since the late 60's to early 70's but the sign has been changed. The new petition received from members of the Lake Association is supporting no ordinance at all. Supervisor Mollie Arthur questioned who would enforce the ordinance if filed with the DNR. Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated it can be enforced by the County Sheriff's Department. Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated if the Town sets an ordinance, it should be fair to everyone and protect the lake. Supervisor Ed Delfosse stated he has been getting calls since the last meeting and all were in favor of 4PM-10PM. Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated that 19 members of the public voted at the annual meeting in favor of an ordinance, and that should be taken into consideration. Motion to approve creating an ordinance setting no wake hours from 4PM-10PM Delfosse/Renikow/Arthur no negative vote. Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated he will put together information for the ordinance and wait for results at the Middle Inlet meeting. A public question was raised regarding injuries with boats on the lake and Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated he is not aware of anything.



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- e. **Discuss/consider new flag pole for Town Hall. The Board agreed that something should be done with the flag pole. Options will be discussed at the next meeting.**
  
- 14. Future agenda items.**
  - a. **Old Depot demolition / legal action**
  - b. **Flag pole at Town Hall**
  - c. **Update on road work**
  
- 15. Discuss / consider processing current and outstanding vouchers. Motion to approve Arthur/Delfosse.**
  
- 16. Adjourn. Motion to approve Arthur/Delfosse at 7:48PM.**
  
- 17. Upcoming meetings / dates to remember:**
  - a. **Monthly Board Meeting – Wednesday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 6:30PM**
  - b. **Open Book & Board of Review – TBD**

**Respectfully Submitted by Clerk Cassie Brown**