



# Town of Wagner



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## MEETING MINUTES

### MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020 6:30 pm

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

Attendance: Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr., Supervisors Mollie Arthur and Ed Delfosse, Clerk Cassie Brown, Treasurer Margo Renikow, 16 members of the public and Shirley Prudhomme from the Peshtigo Times.

1. **Call to order – attendance sign in. Called to order by Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. at 6:29PM.**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance was said at the special Town meeting of the electors.**
3. **Approve agenda. Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. added the collection of property taxes by the county to the agenda. Motion to approve Delfosse/Arthur.**
4. **Correspondence. None.**
5. **Board updates. None.**
6. **Public input – Speakers will be limited to 5 minutes.**
  - a. **Jeanette Micksch stated the gravel on Hansen Road has been pushed aside by ATV's, plowing etc. A request was made for the Town to replace this gravel.**
  - b. **Howie Anderson questioned why the pledge of allegiance was not said. Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated it was said at the special elector's meeting prior to the monthly meeting.**
  - c. **Wade Fronsee requested that Howie Anderson cut the brush back on the roads multiple times. Mr. Anderson replied that he can go over some areas multiple times, but he can only cut 5 feet.**
7. **Discuss/Consider September 9th, 2020 monthly meeting minutes, action if any. Supervisor Ed Delfosse questioned if a public works truck had been purchased. Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated one has not been purchased yet. Motion to approve Arthur/Delfosse.**
8. **Discussion only Treasurer's report ending September 30th, 2020. Treasurer Margo Renikow discussed the Town's ending cash balances.**



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9. **Budget adjustments / transfers.** Treasurer Margo Renikow stated multiple transfers were made between the money market and checking accounts to cover bills. \$60,000 was transferred on September 23<sup>rd</sup> and \$23,000 was transferred on October 21<sup>st</sup>.
10. **Fire Department updates.** Fire Chief Tom Arthur stated there were 253.5 man hours and three calls since the last meeting. All three calls were for searches. The first two searches were to assist the Sheriff's department and the final was for the missing resident in 2017. The Halloween party is still pending. Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. questioned how the party would be conducted if a decision is made to proceed. Fire Chief Tom Arthur confirmed it would be a drive by trick or treat with the fire truck. Raffle tickets are available for sale. Mike Caylor stated the Fire Department would like to thank the community and volunteers for support during the large search. They had 110 extra volunteers and are appreciative that the search was a success.
11. **Public Works updates.** Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated the final grading and brushing has been done. There was also a culvert repaired on Old Rail Road. Most of the road work has been completed.
12. **Animal Control updates.** Jerry Micksch stated there was a call on September 26<sup>th</sup> for a dog running on South Park Drive. The owner was contacted and there were no other calls.
13. **Action Items, action if any:**
  - a. **Discuss/consider grass mowing for Town roads.** Howie Anderson plans on continuing the service next year. It was agreed that he will service roads that have excessive brushing multiple times.
  - b. **Discuss/consider Lake Mary boat landing.** Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated there were complaints regarding congestion at the boat landing over the Fourth of July weekend. It was determined that a boat malfunctioned while being launched and resulted in the landing being blocked. The Lake Mary Association requested no parking signs to be placed, but Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. decided against it. His



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suggestion is to put up signs indicating angled parking only and to monitor to determine if further action is needed. The Wagner Sportsman's Club discussed a proposal to donate a three-piece 30ft aluminum top dock. The club would be responsible for installation and will aid in bringing it in and out of the lake. After installation it would be turned over to the Town. Mark Sperberg questioned if this would be a safety concern for people swimming and/or fishing off of the dock, and who would be responsible if the dock was damaged. Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated it would be a bigger concern for people doing these activities in the current state, and that the Town would be responsible. Motion to approve the installation of the dock Arthur/Delfosse.

- c. **Discuss/consider Recycling Center hours.** Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated that the Recycling Center will be closed the opening day of rifle deer season. The hours on the Wednesday prior and following opening day will be noon to 6PM. Due to more traffic on Wednesday evenings the Winter hours could be changing to add an hour during the week and close an hour early on Saturday.
- d. **Discuss/consider Old Depot demo.** Fire Chief Tom Arthur stated he did not have time to research due to the searches in October.
- e. **Discuss/consider Rescue Squad contract.** Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated he has not received an updated contract yet.
- f. **Discuss/consider Town maintaining the baseball fields.** Supervisor Ed Delfosse stated the McAllister Baseball Club is requesting the Town to pay \$500 per year for electricity and insurance. Mike Caylor questioned if the Town was providing donations to the Baseball Club. Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. and Supervisor Ed Delfosse confirmed this has not been paid in several years. Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated he did not believe the Town could provide public money to a private entity for specific costs and this needs to be researched. The Baseball Club can bring a proposal to the Board, however the Town would have to gain some control over the fields. Supervisor Ed Delfosse stated anybody in the Town can use the fields even though it is privately owned. Rita Renikow asked if the Club currently has any money. Supervisor Ed Delfosse stated they



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- did. Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. questioned the management structure of the Club and wanted more information regarding who is in control of the funds. Brandon Brown stated the Wagner Sportsman's Club was requesting to build a club house on the vacant side of the land. The Wagner Sportsman's Club offered to maintain the fields and help pay costs, but were denied by the McAllister Baseball Club. Clerk Cassie Brown questioned if the proposal from the Wagner Sportsman's Club was different than what the Baseball Club was requesting from the Town. Brandon Brown stated several proposals were made and denied. Brandon Brown also stated they were told at the last meeting the McAllister Baseball Club had enough funding for several years' worth of expense. Supervisor Ed Delfosse stated he did not understand why it was being disputed now when the Town used to provide donations. Clerk Cassie Brown questioned why this expense should come from tax payers if another club was willing to pay the cost. Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated there needed to be more structure within the McAllister Baseball Club and a proposal needs to be made to further the conversation.
- g. **Discuss/consider Waste Management contract.** Clerk Cassie Brown stated the Waste Management contract was due for another five-year renewal. The cost of services was remaining the same. The old contract included a 4% annual increase as well as an increase for the consumer price index, but the new contract will only have the 4% flat annual increase. Since this contract is being renewed the 4% increase will not apply until 2022. There was also a 30-yard container lease fee that was removed for \$63 per month. Motion to approve Arthur/Delfosse.
  - h. **Discuss/consider adopted levy limit and upcoming budget.** Clerk Cassie Brown stated the preliminary budget meeting will be held at 6:00PM on November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020.
  - i. **Discuss/consider Town tax collection.** Chairperson Steve Renikow Sr. stated the County would collect property taxes again in the upcoming year. Motion to approve Delfosse/Arthur.



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- 14. Future agenda items.**
  - a. Old Rail Road Depot**
  - b. Rescue squad contract**
  
- 15. Discuss / consider processing current and outstanding vouchers.**  
**Motion to approve Arthur/Delfosse**
  
- 16. Adjourn. Motion to approve Arthur/Delfosse. Meeting adjourned at 7:00PM.**
  
- 17. Upcoming meetings / dates to remember:**
  - a. General Election – November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 7AM-8PM**
  - b. Preliminary Budget Meeting – Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020 6:00PM**
  - c. Monthly Board Meeting and Budget Meeting – Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020 6:30PM**

**Respectfully Submitted by Clerk Cassie Brown**