

Approved
MEETING MINUTES
Little Suamico Town Board of Supervisors Meeting
Little Suamico Town Hall, 5964 County Road S, WI 54171
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2024-6:00 P.M.
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Board Members Present: Dale Mohr, Liz Paape, Tracey Krumrei, and Lisa Glinski-Clerk/Treasurer

Board Members Absent:

Others Present: 28 in attendance

Pledge of Allegiance

CALL MEETING TO ORDER-The opening meeting statement was read, and the Town Board of Supervisors monthly meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Chairman Mohr at the Town Hall. The meeting agenda notice was properly posted.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA-

- a. Change in Sequence- Business number 7 was moved to after Business number 13.
- b. Removal of Items- Business number 8 was removed.

Krumrei made a motion to approve Agenda, seconded by Paape. Approved by unanimous vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)-

10/8/2024 Minutes- Need to be approved at November meeting as they were missed.

10/14/2024 Minutes- Paape motioned to approve minutes, seconded by Krumrei. Approved by unanimous vote.

Correspondence- None

BUSINESS:

1. Little Suamico Fire Department Report- Chief Zuge went over his report and stated that their call volume continues to increase. There were 82 calls compared to 79 last year. He mentioned that the DNR canceled requiring burning permits again through the end of the year now that it has rained. He then spoke on bids for the new fire trucks. He also stated that none of the companies were interested in just replacing the chassis on the trucks, thus a new tender truck will need to be purchased to meet new EPA standards.
2. Community Policing Report- Deputy Baeten was on a call and arrived at the meeting later.
3. Update on Ordinance Committee- Dave Daniels gave a report on the first meeting that was held in October and stated that the next meeting will be held November 19th.
4. Addition and removal of a member to Ordinance Committee- Supervisor Paape stated that Ordinance Committee member Jason Hendricks had work related conflicts with attending the meetings, so he asked to be replaced. Ed Galkowski, who was an alternate, will take Jason Hendricks place and Tim Roskoms will be taking the place of Ed Galkowski as an alternate. Motion was made by Paape to except the changes to the Committee, seconded by Krumrei. Approved by unanimous vote.
5. Discussion on Group Home on Lake Street- Public Comment from neighboring residents- **Director of Group Home will be in attendance-** Supervisor Paape read a statement.

On or about Oct 9 I learned that the Town of Little Suamico has a Group Home located on Lake Street. Afterwards, I learned we have several more located in the Town.

The Oconto Co Zoning Ordinance has a section on Community Living Arrangements as defined in Section 46.03(22) where based on the number of persons that the facility accommodates, it is either

allowed or requires a CUP. Based on the correspondence that this Group Home accommodates (up to 4) this property that is zoned multi family would be entitled to locate at this property.

WI Statute Section 59.69(15)(i) provides some review authority to the town to determine if the arrangement has an effect to the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the municipality. Under this statute and discussion with our town attorney, we as a Town Board are looking to learn more regarding this matter to determine whether or not we as a Town would like to exercise the possibility to have this or other Group Homes in our Town under town review.

If, after the hearing, the Town Board finds that the facility does pose such concerns to the neighboring residents, we will be looking to bring this matter forward to our town attorney for next steps.

We as a Town Board understand and respect the purposes of Group Homes and know they are protected by a set of comprehensive statutes. Personally, I could not even imagine having a family member that would need the services of a Group Home and trying to have them placed, and then ultimately feel that they are safe and that their needs are met.

Thus, moving forward with this meeting and learning of each personal perspective, we as a Town Board are respectfully requesting that everyone who is eligible to comment on this matter is respectful. Rock Pledl was in attendance as legal counsel for the Group Home. He stated that the 1-2 bed facility is legal under County Zoning and has never had a municipality hold any reviews. He then stated he would set up a time to talk with the Town Attorney.

Sara Allen, area director for Homes for Independent Living, was also in attendance. She went over the group home size and stated it was staffed 24/7 and that typically there are only 2 clients residing in the home. One client on each side of the duplex.

A few questions were asked by the audience and answered by Rock and Sara.

Paape made it clear that this was mainly educational for the community and the Town Board as no one on the Board was aware of the Group Home until complaints came in.

6. Ice Skating Rink for the Park- Chris Hillberg went over the plans for the ice rink and read the agreement that was written by the Town attorney. Krumrie motioned to approve the ice rink per agreement, seconded by Paape contingent on the Town Attorney reviewing one last time. Approved by unanimous vote.
7. Discuss ARPA projects- Discussion for the remaining ARPA funds was had. The Board will be working on getting numbers for the below items. Mohr motioned to approve the list, seconded by Krumrei. Approved by unanimous vote.
 - Electricity ran to the Recycling Center including site plan by surveyor.
 - Pole camera/security cameras for the Town Park
 - Live streaming meetings
8. Review quote on woodchips- Removed.
9. Approval of Bills- Action May Be Taken- Krumrei motioned to approve the bills, seconded by Paape. Approved by unanimous vote.
10. Chairman Report- Chairman Mohr asked the electors to please not park on the streets during the winter months so that the plow trucks can get through.
11. Supervisors Report- Supervisor Paape thanks the Election workers for all their hard work during this election cycle. Krumrei and Mohr also gave statements of thanks and how smooth things were running when they were there.
12. Adjourn into the 2025 Public Budget Hearing & Special Town Meeting of the Electors- At 6:37pm the Town Board meeting was adjourned and moved into Electors meeting. Chairman asked the electors how they would like to vote. Dave Pribyl motioned to vote by show of hands, seconded by Ken Klecka.
13. Resolution R2024-2 Town Electors Adopt the Town Tax Levy- Chairman Mohr read the resolution and Clerk Glinski gave the amount of the Levy, \$829,785.00. Some electors had questions on the levy, and most were answered. Tim Schumacher motioned to approve the Levy, seconded by Ron Betrand. Approved by unanimous show of hands.

14. Town of Little Suamico Town Board Adopts 2025 Town Budget- Town Board adjourned into open meeting and had discussion on the budget. A few questions were asked, and Clerk Glinski went over any significant changes in the budget and answered questions. Krumrei motioned to approve the 2025 budget, seconded by Paape. Approved by unanimous vote.
15. Announcements/General Information- None
16. Set Next Meeting Date- December 9th at 6pm
17. Adjournment- 7:31pm

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Respectfully Submitted, Lisa Glinski Clerk/Treasurer.