



TOWN OF GREENFIELD  
LA CROSSE COUNTY, STATE OF WISCONSIN  
N1800 Town Hall Road, La Crosse WI 54601

### Town Board Meeting; Wednesday, April 12, 2023

**BOARD PRESENT:** Chair Tom Jacobs, Supervisors Kevin Timm & Chad Morris  
**STAFF PRESENT:** Clerk Jill Murphy & Treasurer Danny Kjos

**Call to Order:** Chair Jacobs called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Notices were posted.

**Minutes:** Motion by Morris/Timm to approve March 8, closed session mtg. min. and town board mtg. minutes. **Motion** carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** March financial report was presented. Motion by Timm/Morris to approve after correction to change truck loan to tractor loan. **Motion** carried.

**Shelby Fire Department:** Grass fire at County Rd. M and Malzacher, 1.03 acres burned; cause to be determined. A few other grass fires same day. Are in an extreme fire danger; Holinka has issued a burn ban for Shelby and Greenfield. Two new employees for station 2: Jack Murphy and Chris Nelson. Also, had a discussion of Captain Tim Candahl responding to station 2 as well. On April 1 & 2, had live burn at Brown property. Had 26 teams from 4 fire departments participating. Holinka stated approx. 1000 hrs. of training over past yr. at this site.

**Discontinuation of Benson Road:** 2 property owners of Benson Rd. or adjacent to rd. were present. Ron Guenther asked about responsibility of culvert at the rd.; told it was in county's right of way. Also, asked about getting a convex mirror to put on pole, it is hard to see traffic coming. Timm will get them in touch with the county as it is a county issue. Tom read over parts of the resolution as it was read at the last mtg. No objections stated. **Resolution** signed. Kathy Guenter stated they had a form from the lawyer to be signed by the board.

**St. Joe's Sanitary:** Ordinance to create a Wellhead Protection Plan for Sanitary District: to protect the wellhead that the Sanitary Dist. pumps water from for a ½ mile in either direction. Eliminates the site and area surrounding from anyone putting up a building, recycling center, etc. that would affect the water. This is a state recommended ordinance and drafted WI Rural Water. Mike Stoll stated the area is on a hill. Map and informational packets given to the board. Jacobs read and highlighted parts of the ordinance such as separation distance, toxic chemicals that could have a negative effect on the water, and prohibited uses of the area. Motion made Timm/Morris to approve. **Motion** carried.

**Fire Pit Ordinance, Recreational Fires 2023-2:** Jacobs read and highlighted areas of the proposed ordinance. Jacobs asked about having permits for these types of fires. Morris stated permits would cause lots of paperwork and minor issues and didn't feel that permits for these types of fires is necessary. Holinka spoke about how the town of Shelby permit process works. Pat Manthey asked if fire rings would have to be made of a specific material, no. The town would act on complaints only unless fires get out of control then the Fire Dept. gets involved. A fine of \$150 would be issued for non-compliance of ordinance. Permits outside the village to burn brush and debris would still be required. Motion made by Jacobs/Morris to approve. **Motion** passed.

**Lawn Mowing Ordinance:** Jacobs read and highlighted areas of ordinance. Discussed fees for offences: \$ 150 1<sup>st</sup> time, \$250 2<sup>nd</sup> time, \$500 for 3<sup>rd</sup> time. Will be effective when signed and published. Motion made by Timm/Morris to approve. **Motion** passed.

**Roads:** Request from Joe Shikonya via email to use street sweeper in Ridgeview Heights. Timm stated they will use Shelby's Street sweeper for the village only. Timm stated rd. crew could spot check rds. that may need clean up outside the Sanitary Dist. Jacobs stated next week will be the Annual Mtg. and will have list of rds. to be fixed and asked residents for suggestions on any rds. they feel need fixing. Jacobs asked clerk to put out an email to give notice to village residents when sweeper will come thru for time to prep and get cars off the streets. Jacobs announced there are agreements from attorney's office relative to payments and transfers regarding Clements Rd. Hansen asked if offer they received for land was final offer; stated they received an offer of \$500 for approx.2000 sq. ft. and doesn't feel this is adequate. Houlihan not available for mtg.' they can call him tomorrow. Pot hole on Servais Collern needs repair, Clements rd. need spot fixing. Mike Stoll of the Sanitary District stated hole on Servais Collern may get bigger due to house having to dig out driveway due to not calling Diggers and covered up water shut off. Jacobs stated will fill hole temporarily.

**\*Citizen Concerns:** Mary Sperle stated she received info. about smart electrical meters being put in by Xcel Energy. Gave concerns and info. sheet to be put on the website and town regarding possible problems with the meters. County Supervisor Ken Schlimgen announced St. Joe Lion's Club received \$8000 county grant for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July festival, county grants for rd. work are due Monday 4/17/23 and grants are available for Acquisition & Demolition of homes. Barry Nelson stated fire # below Hillview needs re-staking, asked for speed bumps to be put in after the streets are swept. Also, stated land between new Servais home and Kaiser's need to be separated so work can be done in the area; Jacobs stated each resident would get ½ land in-between them and would contact Houlihan. Mike Stoll stated there are utilities in that in-between piece of land. Kevin will check into the issue. Bobbi Hundt asked chair to talk about the election results for the town board. Chair Jacobs stated Kevin Timm will be taking over as town chair right after the Electors Annual mtg. on April 18, 2023 and Chad Morris will be Supervisor 1. Had 2 good candidates for the Supervisor 2 position; Daren Schieldt won out; congrats to them!

Motion made by Timm/Morris to adjourn. **Motion** carried. Adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jill Murphy  
Town Clerk

Check Book Balance as of 2/28/2023		\$ 11,962.38
<b>Incomes:</b>		
Account	Details	Amount
Bank Transfers	Savings to Checking Transfers to Pay Bills	\$ 90,000.00
Bank Transfers	ARPA transfers - Clements Road	\$ 1,619.09
Cell Phone	Darrel's Phone	\$ 13.65
Dog License Income	Dog Registrations	\$ 768.00
Interest Income	Interest Income	\$ 9.69
Liquor License	St Joe's Lions Club - 4 events in 2022	\$ 40.00
Misc Income	Specials and Interest Payment from La Crosse County 2023	\$ 283.68
Mobile Homes	2023 Mobile Home Lottery Credit	\$ 11,868.96
Mobile Homes	Coulee Manor - 2 months	\$ 155.14
Recycling Income	Resident - Feb 2023 Collection - \$222 Cash and \$40 Checks	\$ 262.00
Town Hall Rent	2 rentals	\$ 175.00
<b>Total Incomes</b>		<b>\$ 105,195.21</b>
<b>Expenses and Disbursements:</b>		
Account	Details	Amount
Bank Fees	Payroll	\$ (20.00)
Cell Phone	Scott Roesler - 3 months	\$ (150.00)
Clerk Salary	Jill Murphy	\$ (2,442.70)
Dog License	La Crosse County Clerk Batch payment	\$ (187.00)
Election	Election Payroll - 10	\$ (822.14)
Election Expense	River Valley Newspaper	\$ (32.33)
Equipment Maintenance	AirGas	\$ (118.12)
Equipment Maintenance	Advance Professionals	\$ (68.10)
General Admin	Sam's club Mater Card - Gas for Truck, Stamps, CVTF, US Cellular, Ink	\$ (938.76)
Legal Fees	Patrick Houlihan	\$ (1,917.50)
Loan Payment	Town Complex Loan - First National Bank	\$ (20,040.93)
Loan Payment	Tractor Loan - First National Bank	\$ (11,321.86)
Mileage	Jill Murphy	\$ (127.68)
Misc Expense	Damaged Mailbox	\$ (50.00)
Other Tax Payment	Overpayment - Moriah Cody paid to Fidelity Bank	\$ (2,164.82)
Payroll Taxes	Payroll Taxes	\$ (2,856.68)
Public Works Wages	Scott Roesler	\$ (4,427.64)
Public Works Wages	Rodger Oxford	\$ (3,520.89)
Public Works Wages	Darrel Servais	\$ (66.20)
Recycle Contract	Hilltopper	\$ (6,028.61)
Recycling Utilities	Vernon Electric	\$ (11.32)
Recycling Wages	Kenneth Hoeth	\$ (331.13)
Recycling Wages	Steve Wichman	\$ (303.53)
Recycling Wages	Dale Jacobson	\$ (245.95)
Recycling Wages	Tom Ludwigson	\$ (165.56)
Road Maintenance	La Crosse County - Sand, Salt, Delivery	\$ (8,679.49)
Road Maintenance	Rent A Flash - Road Sign	\$ (57.43)
Street Lighting	Vernon Electric	\$ (76.90)
Town Hall Maintenance	Bob Hurd	\$ (242.56)
Town Hall Maintenance	John Kammel	\$ (221.64)
Town Hall Maintenance	John Kammel - Reimbursement	\$ (15.23)
Town Hall Utilities	Xcel Energy - Town Hall, Park, Street Lights	\$ (965.86)
Town Hall Utilities	Midwest Natural Gas	\$ (447.00)
Town Hall Utilities	St Joseph Sanitary District	\$ (143.65)
Town Hall Utilities	MCS Network	\$ (34.25)
Treasurer Salary	Danny Kjos	\$ (654.76)
Trust Fund	Wis. Dept. of Employee Trust Fund	\$ (964.32)
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>\$ (70,862.54)</b>
Check Book Balance as of 3/31/2023		<b>\$ 46,295.05</b>

<b>MM #800569 Fire Protection and First Responders</b>		
Beginning Balance 2/28/2023		
Interest	\$	5,114.45
<b>Ending Balance 3/31/2023</b>	\$	<b>8.69</b>
	\$	<b>5,123.14</b>
<b>Savings- Property Tax -11015220</b>		
Beginning Balance 2/28/2023		
Transfers for Bills	\$	467,814.65
<b>Ending Balance 3/31/2023</b>	\$	<b>(90,000.00)</b>
	\$	<b>377,814.65</b>
<b>New Truck Fund-MM 803268</b>		
Beginning Balance 2/28/2023		
Interest	\$	2,095.65
<b>Ending Balance 3/31/2023</b>	\$	<b>3.56</b>
	\$	<b>2,099.21</b>
<b>Sign Fund (ARPA) Account- #40344</b>		
Beginning Balance 2/28/2023		
Transfer for Clements	\$	102,481.95
<b>Ending Balance 3/31/2023</b>	\$	<b>(1,619.09)</b>
	\$	<b>100,862.86</b>
<b>Total Bank Funds as of 3/31/2023</b>	\$	<b>532,194.91</b>

<b>Commercial Loan - #47493 - Town Complex - Next payment Due 9/1/2023 (\$20,040.93)</b>		
Beginning Balance 2/28/2023		
March Payment (\$13,061.90 Principal and \$6,979.03 Interest)	\$	360,544.43
<b>Ending Balance 3/31/2023</b>	\$	<b>(13,061.90)</b>
	\$	<b>347,482.53</b>
<b>Loan #51268 Tractor- Next Payment Due 9/15/2023 (\$11,321.86)</b>		
Beginning Balance 2/28/2023		
March Payment (\$10,084.24 Principal and \$1,237.62 Interest)	\$	74,102.53
<b>Ending Balance 3/31/2023</b>	\$	<b>(10,084.24)</b>
	\$	<b>64,018.29</b>
<b>Loan Total:</b>	\$	<b>411,500.82</b>