

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS
TOWN OF CRESCENT
MINUTES FOR MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2024**

Board Members Present: Robb Jensen, Chair; Kyla Waksmonski, Supervisor; Mike Pazdernik, Supervisor; Tracy Hartman, Clerk; Carla Fletcher, Treasurer.

Call to Order: Chairman Jensen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Crescent Town Hall. The meeting has been properly posted and distributed in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting law and the facility is handicap accessible. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Jensen to approve the agenda. Seconded by Waksmonski. All aye. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Jensen to approve the minutes from the Monthly Town Board Meeting October 9, 2024; October 11, 2024 and October 17, 2024. Seconded by Waksmonski. All aye. Motion carried.

Public Comment – None

Town Chair Report – Jensen stated that the loss of Dan Bauer was a huge loss to our community. Bauer was a Rhinelander Fire Assistant Chief. Jensen provided a written report to the board on what has occurred during the last month. Jensen stated that there continue to be issues with garbage and large trees being dumped at the “town dump” and it has been closed.

Treasurer’s Report - A written report was given by Treasurer, Carla Fletcher.

Library Report - Update on the library board meeting and upcoming programs being offered at the library – None

County Board Supervisor’s Report - Review of County Board meeting and Review of County Board meeting and County Committee meetings – Jensen provided a written and oral report to the board. Jensen reported that the budget at the county was approved yesterday. Jensen stated that effective January 1, 2025 the Human Service Center and Social Services department combine to create the Human Service Department.

Fire Department Report and Approval of Purchases

- **Monthly Call update, purchases update, training update, fundraiser update –** Mahner stated that Bauer was the heartbeat of the Rhinelander Fire Department. Mahner stated that there will be a large procession for the services for Bauer tomorrow. Mahner reported that the Town Pump will be donating 50% of their Friday night fish fry proceeds to the Bauer family and there will be a number of volunteer firefighters helping that evening. Mahner reported that there have been 8 calls during the last month. Mahner reviewed the training that has happened during the last month and the plans for future training. Mahner reviewed the fundraisers and PR they have been doing during the last month including a number of events for Halloween. Mahner reported that cookies with Santa will be held on December 14, 2024.

First Responder’s Report and Approval of Purchases - None

Town Road Crew Report - Road Projects update, update on vehicle repairs and shop repairs – Gerdes provided a written report to the board.

Town Plan Commission Report – Pazdernik reported that they continue to work on reviewing the comprehensive land use plan.

Uniform Dwelling Inspector's Report - None

Squash Lake District Report – Peg Jansen provided a written and oral report regarding the October 13 meeting. Jansen reviewed the work that was completed with Eurasian milfoil, a letter that was sent to the electors, a grant that is being applied for and read a statement from the Squash Lake District regarding the boat launch and concerns regarding the safety of the boat landing. Jansen reviewed the proposed timeline to complete upgrades for the Squash Lake Boat Landing

Crescent Lake District Report – None

Discussion/Action Items

Enhanced Wake Ad Hoc Committee Appointments – Jensen provided a list of individuals that are interested in serving on the ad hoc committee. Jensen stated that there are 4 individuals interested in serving as at-large members on the ad hoc committee. Motion by Jensen to appoint Todd Hehli, Chris Coor, Jack Bertram to the Ad Hoc Committee with Joe Fazio serving as an alternate. Discussion regarding the recommendations. Seconded by Waksmonski. All aye; motion carried.

UDC Inspection – Jensen reported that the City of Rhinelander is no longer able to do the residential and commercial inspections. Jensen stated that the town needs to contract with someone to complete the UDC inspections. Rick Clem, RC Inspection Agency, LLC reported that they are currently the inspectors for Iron County, Vilas County and a number of municipalities in Oneida County. Clem reported that Tom Waydick will stay as the inspector for the Town of Crescent. Klem reported that the town should not see a change in the process. Clem reviewed the process if a person needed to apply for a building permit. Patulski expressed a concern with inspections being completed in a timely manner. Discussion regarding the fees. Clem reported that they will work with the Town on creating an updated ordinance. Clem provided the board with information regarding how they handle erosion control at residences that are being built to help protect the lakes. Motion to approve RC Inspection LLC to to perform the inspections for Residential and Commercial with the fees as presented by RC Inspection Agency LLC and allow the Chair to sign the contract. Seconded by Pazdernik. All aye; motion carried.

Bank Loan for purchase of Tanker – Jensen stated that the electors have approved the loan for \$490,000 with the loan to be paid back in 5 years. Motion by Jensen to approve the five-year loan for up to \$490,000 at 5.5% interest for the purchase of the tanker pumper and refurbishing the engine. Seconded by Waksmonski. All aye; motion carried. Adam Spearings, Fire Service Inc stated that the tanker pumper is available for residents to look at. Spearings reported that this is a brand new truck.

Work Comp Insurance – Hartman informed the board that the insurance company has notified the town that they will no longer be covering the Town for Work Comp insurance.

2025 Tax Letter Insert – Hartman presented a tax letter insert. The board requested that there be language added to the letter that “continued violations may result in the permanent closing of the dump”

Operator's License Applications - None

Driveway Application - None

Discussion Items

Other

Future Meeting Dates and Agenda Items – December 4th and December 11th

Review Correspondence – Letter from the Office of Commissioner of Railroads regarding the railroad crossing.

Approval of Vouchers/Adjourn - Motion by Jensen to approve vouchers as submitted. Seconded by Waksmonski. All aye. Motion carried.

Jensen adjourned the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Tracy Hartman
Municipal Clerk