

Town Board Meeting
Town of Rock Elm
Pierce County Wisconsin
Tuesday February 14, 2023
by Monica Robey, clerk

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Tim Bates at 8:00 PM.

Agenda Approval

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Chris Thibado and seconded by Matt Holcomb, motion carried.

Minutes from the Previous Meetings

Minutes from the January 10, 2023 meeting were read. Motion to approve by Chris Thibado, seconded by Matt Holcomb, motion carried. Minutes from the 2023 Town Caucus were read. Motion to approve by Matt Holcomb, seconded by Chris Thibado, motion carried.

Public Input

Pam Reitz presented her final property tax reports. There was \$280 for dog licenses and \$3390 for new fire numbers.

Financial Reports

Monica Robey presented the financial reports. This month's total of bills to be paid was \$122,556.75. Revenue expected this month would be \$38,963.76. Matt Holcomb made a motion to approve, Chris Thibado seconded, motion carried.

GFL Service Agreement

They were asking for a 5 year service contract but there is inconsistency in their pricing to patrons. Some of the other providers are experiencing shortage of containers. Chris Thibado made a motion to decline signing the contract for now and check with other providers, Matt Holcomb seconded, motion carried.

Discuss progress by Celect communications on providing broadband to Rock Elm

Tim Bates had talked to Mike DeMarce today. Celect will be looking for a staging area when they start installation in the fall of 2023. Their installation contractor was awarded a couple weeks ago.

Rock Elm Housing Project (CDBG)

There are currently funds available to lend out in this grant program. Cedar Corp is the administrator and is requesting that we try harder to reach residents who could be interested and qualify. We currently have the posters displayed in all our public notice boards and include it in the property tax mailing in December. Some ideas which were suggested were; posting on County website, posting on facebook, having the dump attendant hand out flyers, publishing in local newspaper, hand delivering to residents, and/or publishing in the ADRC monthly newsletter. The board will revisit this issue next month. This is a loan program for low to moderate income households for certain home improvement projects.

Highway Report

Presented by Dave Bechel, patrolman. He has been plowing and dealing with recent ice on roadways, has been pushing back snow in ditches and has spread fresh gravel on gravel roads to help

traction during ice storms. The grader blew a hose and 2 others were leaking, McCoy thought they would fix these under warrantee.

Dave Bechel and Matt Holcomb have researched trucks, options, and pricing. They went to Eau Claire for part of the research and Dave test drove. The numerous recent repairs on our existing truck and the option of getting a new one before the new emissions equipment is required are factors in this decision.

Tim Bates has received a driveway permit request from Roger Bechel on the dead end of 430th. Chris Thibado made a motion to approve, Matt Holcomb seconded, motion carried.

Fire numbers

Have been ordered and should be here when frost is out.

Correspondence

Correspondence was reviewed.

Next Meeting Date and Time

Next regular monthly board meeting date will be held on March 21, 2023 at 8:00 PM which varies from our usual date due to scheduling conflicts with Board members. Motion to adjourn by Chris Thibado, seconded by Matt Holcomb, motion carried and meeting adjourned at 10:00 PM

Attendance;

Tim Bates	Matt Holcomb	Pam Reitz	Fred Koehler
Monica Robey	Chris Thibado	Dave Bechel	