

Regular Monthly Board Meeting of the Town of Trade Lake

11811 Town Hall Rd, Frederic, WI 54837

3/13/2025

Meeting called to order by Chairman Ramona Moody at 6:00pm. There are 10 in attendance.

Board Members Present: Chairman Ramona Moody ☒ Supervisor Scott Doornink ☒ Supervisor Adam Lesak ☒

Others Present: Clerk Marjie Gravelle ☒ Treasurer Julie Pemble-Peterson ☒ Hwy Maintenance Jeremy Scheider ☒

Affidavit of Posting: Notices and agenda were posted according to §19.84 at the Trade Lake Store, Bass Lake Lumber, and the Town Hall on 3/6/2025 @ 12:30pm

Approval of Agenda order: Motion by Lesak to approve the agenda. Seconded by Doornink. Motion carried by voice vote.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Lesak to approve the minutes of the 2/13/2025 monthly board meeting with no corrections or additions. Seconded by Doornink. Motion carried by voice vote.

Treasures report: Julie reported total assets as of 2/28/2025 are \$861,585.14. All accounts are reconciled.

Open and Award Pulverizing Bids for LRIP project #18404 Cedar Point Road: Scott Doornink works for the Burnett County Highway Department and has recused himself from the bid awarding of all LRIP bids. Notices were published in the Indianhead Advertiser on Feb. 17th & Feb 24th. We received 2 bids labeled pulverizing. Pulverizing bids received were from Haas Sons, Inc and Burnett County Highway Department.

Haas Sons Inc submitted a pulverizing bid: When the bid was opened Haas Sons' bid was for both pulverizing and gravel. This is not how the advertisement was put in the paper. The portion of the pulverizing was \$5,600. They included the gravel work, grading and shouldering with the pulverizing bid, this total was \$95,702.50.

Burnett County Highway Department submitted a pulverizing bid for \$6,336.

Since the Haas Sons bid was not properly submitted with pulverizing being a stand alone bid there was a motion by Lesak to award the pulverizing bid for Cedar Point Road to the Burnett County Highway Department for \$6,336. 2nd by Moody. Motion carried by voice vote.

Open and Award Gravel Bids for LRIP project #18404 Cedar Point Road: Notices were published in the Indianhead Advertiser on Feb. 17th & Feb 24th. Bids submitted that were marked Gravel were from:

Nick's Trucking and Excavating: For gravel work, grading and shouldering, the total for this bid was \$49,757.

Hopkins Sand & Gravel: Hopkins combined pulverizing & gravel/shouldering work into one bid. This is not how the advertisement was put in the paper. Pulverizing was bid at \$6,000. The gravel work, grading and shouldering total was \$50,399.56. Since this bid was labeled 'Gravel Bid' it was not available for the pulverizing bid awarding.

Burnett County Highway Department: For gravel work, grading and shouldering, the total for this bid was \$37,000.

Haas Sons Inc bid was labeled 'Pulverizing' therefore was not considered as they combined pulverizing and gravel work.

Haas Sons and Hopkins bids were not properly submitted as they had combined pulverizing with the gravel work.

The Burnett County Highway Department's bid was more than 10% below the lowest bid. Motion by Lesak to award Burnett County Highway Department the gravel work for Cedar Point Road for \$37,000. 2nd by Moody. Motion carried by voice vote.

Open and Award Paving Bids for LRIP project #18404 Cedar Point Road: Notices were published in the Indianhead Advertiser on Feb. 17th & Feb 24th. We received one bid for paving.

Monarch Paving submitted a paving bid in the amount of \$154,276.88. Motion by Lesak to award the paving bid for Cedar Point Road to Monarch in the amount of \$154,276.88. 2nd by Moody. Motion carried by voice vote.

Approval of gravel crushing: Burnett County Highway Department put gravel crushing out of bid for the Peterson Gravel Pit. The lowest bid came from Arlan Pope Construction at \$2.88 per ton. We budgeted \$28,000 for gravel crushing in this

year's budget. Motion by Lesak to approve gravel crushing for \$28,000 to Burnett County Highway Department. 2nd by Moody. Motion carried by voice vote.

Fire Reports: Frederic Fire: Next meeting in April. Grantsburg Fire next meeting date is March 31st.

Ambulance Report: Next meeting is April 23rd.

Burnett County Proposed Land Use Chapter 30 Changes: The Land Services Committee has been reviewing the first 2 sections of Chapter 30. They will be holding a public hearing in April. The Town Board expressed concern regarding the County CUP fees and their discussion for application fees for a Manure Management plan for anything over 2 animal units. The County is adding solar to Chapter 30 and requiring a Land Use permit. The Town Board feels solar that already exists should be grandfathered in. The County will be allowing chickens in all zoning districts but must be fully enclosed in the RR zones but there is no language in their updates to allow for the confinement for the chickens without a Land Use permit. After discussion the board agreed to have Ramona draft a letter to the Land Use Committee outlining the Town's concerns.

Highway Maintenance Report:

a. Spring Road Review Date: Tentatively scheduled for April 5th at 9am. Posting requirements will be followed.

b. Quote for in-floor heating unit: boiler for shop – Jeremy received quotes from Maxwell, Inc. Heating & Air Conditioning, Earth Energy Systems and Warren Heating & Air Conditioning for the purchase and installation of a Condensing boiler for the shop. We will revisit this next month after a notice to enter into a contract has been published.

Public comment: Bruce Java, Burnett County District 5 Representative, reported that he attended the County Natural Resources Committee meeting and most of the conservation was about the Clam Dam.

Payment of Town Bills: Motion by Doornink to pay town bills in the amount of \$1,251,397.39, 2nd by Lesak, carried by voice vote.

Agenda for next Monthly Board Meeting – April 10, 2025

Annual meeting – April 17, 2025 @ 6pm

Adjourn: Motion by Doornink to adjourn @7:06pm, 2nd by Lesak. Motion carried by voice vote.

Submitted by Marjie Gravelle, Clerk