

# TOWN OF DRUMMOND

Bayfield County  
Drummond, Wisconsin 54832



Notice of the meeting and agenda was posted at the Post Office and website on August 9, 2021.

**MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING:** August 10, 2021.

**CALL TO ORDER:** 6:30 p.m. in the Civic Center by Roy Bloom, Chair.

**ATTENDANCE:** Roy Bloom, Chair; Chris Elkins, Supervisor; Jeff Hurula, Supervisor; Diane Gehr, Treasurer; Andy Tuttle, Clerk; Mark Jerome, Public Works Director; 7 members of the public.

**MINUTES:** Motion by Elkins, second by Hurula to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2021 town board meeting. **CARRIED.**

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Gehr reported the following balances are in town accounts: Checking \$140,698.54, Savings \$354.38, Tax savings \$494,765.95, and LGIP \$124,889.31.

**ROAD REPORT:** Jerome reported:

- Wilkinson Rd, Hazelnut Rd, and Scrub Oak Rd improvements are complete.
- Tri Lakes Rd. had gravel placed in areas with severe pavement damage.
- Hemlock St. paving was completed.
- Lake Owen Station Rd will be paved after Labor Day.
- The estimate to repair Delta-Drummond Rd came in at \$2,900.00. Mark will proceed with having the repairs completed.
- Truck replacements are 300 days out. Mark suggested the Board consider placing an order soon and not wait until after the first of the year.
- Mark suggested the Board consider installing a compactor at the town dump. The Town currently pays \$2,000/month for the dumpsters. A compactor would cost \$940/month and then pay to haul the trash by weight. Based on current usage the maximum monthly fee would be \$2,200 and much less during the winter months. Installation would require running power to dump at \$4,500, plus \$1,500 panel and wiring, and concrete for \$6,000.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was no public comment.

**OPERATOR/BARTENDER LICENSE APPEAL:** This topic will be dropped from future agendas, since the concerned party has not shown up the last 2 meetings.

**SPEED ZONE REQUEST:** A written request was received from Darlene & Scott Richardson to lower the speed limit on a portion of South Lake Owen Drive. The complaint stated vehicle and ATV/UTV traffic was exceeding the posted speed limit and made the residents in that area feel unsafe. Wisconsin Statutes

do not allow the Town Board to adjust the speed limit in that area. The Board suggests the homeowners call the Sheriff's Dept. about enforcing speed limits. The clerk will send an email to the Richardson's detailing the legalities of adjusting speed limits

ZONING REQUEST: Greg Neff submitted a zoning request to build a residence on a parcel zoned F-1 (Forestry) at 13351 Oswald Road. Motion by Elkins second by Hurula to recommend approval of the Special Use permit to Bayfield County Zoning. CARRIED.

ZONING REQUEST: Richard & Patricia Ombremski submitted a zoning request to build a residence on a parcel zoned F-1 (Forestry) at 47735 Tri Lakes Rd. Motion by Hurula, second by Elkins to recommend approval of the Special Use permit to Bayfield County Zoning. CARRIED.

TRAIL TOWN: Jim Crandall addressed the Board looking for support to make Drummond a North Country Trail "Trail Town". About 15 miles of the North Country Trail runs through Drummond and a connector trail was recently completed from the main trail into Drummond village. To receive the "Trail Town" designation, the Town would need to place signs, involve businesses, etc. The Board will send this matter to the Park & Rec Committee which will meet on Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>.

ARPA RESOLUTION: Drummond will receive \$48,042.86 from the American Rescue Plan Act and it will be given to the Sanitary Dist. to purchase new equipment and make improvements. Motion by Elkins, second by Hurula to approve a resolution Transferring American Rescue Plan Act Funds to Drummond Sanitary District. CARRIED.

2022 BUDGET: The Board discussed capital purchases and projects for the 2022 budget. Of note: a new plow truck is needed and will cost around \$200,000 and the cost of blacktop has jumped 20% to around \$200,000/mile.

BILLS: Motion by Elkins, second by Hurula to approve checks #43632 through #43683 including debits and e-pays for payment of bills. CARRIED.

NEXT MEETING DATE: The next regular Town Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 14, 2021 in the Civic Center at 6:30 pm.

The assessor will be available for Open Book from 9am to 5pm on August 30, 2021. The Board of Review will meet September 9<sup>th</sup> from 3pm to 5pm.

The meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.