

**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
TOWN OF MARION
OCTOBER 11, 2021**

1. **Call to Order:** Steve Peer, Chairman, called the regular Board meeting for the month of October to order at 6:34 p.m.
2. **Roll Call:** Present at the meeting were: Steve Peer, Chairman; Todd King, Supervisor; Jerrod Waterman, Supervisor; Judi Boughton, Clerk and Laurie King, Treasurer.

Citizens who were in attendance of the meeting were: Lonny and Laurayne Fischer; Nathan Napp, Jennifer Turner.

3. **Approval of Agenda:** Steve made a motion to keep the agenda items in the order posted. Todd seconded the motion.
4. **Proof of Publication of Meeting Notice:** Judi Boughton stated that the notice of meeting was published in the Boscobel Dial on Thursday, October 7, 2021. The notice and agenda were posted at the Town Shop and on the town web site on Thursday, October 7, 2021.
5. **Minutes of Previous Meeting:** The Minutes of the September 13, 2021, board meeting were distributed to all who were present and, after everyone had a chance to review the minutes, a motion was made by Todd to approve them. The motion was seconded by Jerrod.
6. **Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's report was prepared by Laurie King and read as follows:

Checking	\$ 7,627.92
Equipment fund savings	52,967.44
Red school house restoration	1,873.72
People's Money Market	55,589.48
ARPA Funds	30,406.22
Local Gov't Inv Pool	<u>22.72</u>
Total:	\$ 148,487.50

Loan Summary: Regarding the loan with Peoples State Bank, the terms of the loan are 2.49% fixed annual rate until 2025. The current loan balance is \$232,438.34. Payments of \$16,500 are due to continue quarterly until a final payment is made in June of 2025.

7. Citizen Input: Todd initiated discussion regarding the red school house funds and if there are plans down the road in which the funds would be used. Steve said it would be nice to be able to replace the roof, and that will be thousands of dollars.

8. Old Business:

- **Update on Cab for International 7400 Plow Truck:** Lonny said J&J Salvage located a cab (red) that would fit the truck for around \$3,000.
- **Update on 4800 International (purchased from Woodman):** Steve talked to Jerrell Sazama and let him know we needed the truck repaired before it snows, and he was supposed to order the parts.
- **Salt Shed Bids Update.** Currently nothing going on with this at this time and may be down the road a ways, depending on finances.
- **American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Update.** Judi said there is a requirement to submit an annual project and expenditure report to the Treasury that will be due on April 30, 2022. Nothing new is known at this time as far as what the money can be used for.
- **Update on Brechler/Evangelical Cemetery on Town Hall (Expansion/Cemetery Plotting):** Judi received an email from Nathan at the Real Property Lister's office stating that they had searched their records and did not find any legal descriptions that indicates exactly where the property boundaries are for the Brechler cemetery; however, they did come across a few documents that made note of a cemetery being located to the NE of Cemetery Road with an acreage of 1 acre. On the parcel map, they have the parcel at 0.59 acres. He thought it would be quite possible the property lines extend further than what is shown, but they do not know how far due to the lack of a legal description. He thought it would make sense to have a title search done of the cemetery. Steve will follow up on this.

- **Fall Cleanup Update.** Laurayne said they took in 66 tires and 5 TVs @ \$15/TV at the fall cleanup. Fifty-three people came through. Some of the tires came with the rims still left on. Laurayne said it worked out well with the way it was set up with the scrap metal truck sitting right next to the dumpster and it seemed to help with getting more metal in the truck. Both dumpsters are pretty full.

9. New Business:

- **Update on Signage in the Township.** Steve said they changed around the signs on Boebel Road so it would not be so confusing on what is Boebel Road and what is Wisconsin Valley Road. Before, it appeared as though Boebel also went up Wisconsin Valley. Also, the Boebel Road sign was removed by Waltz Lane to avoid confusion there. Lonny and Nathan Napp made a list of what signs we will need to order throughout the township, and it comes to roughly 20 signs, which includes 2 fire plate signs. The board agreed on getting the signs and Judi will order.
- **Snow Plow Update for Pickup.** Jerrod Waterman was able to locate a V-plow and picked it up for \$1500. A check for reimbursement is disbursed this month to Jerrod.
- **Sand/Salt/Chip Mix Update.** Steve said Bob Frey has chips in the quarry at \$4/ton. Steve suggested putting regular road gravel with the chip mix as it seems wet and he is afraid of it freezing and causing problems spreading. Steve thinks it should be blended, and the board agreed for Steve to decide what we can do as a blend.
- **Discussion on Budget (Budget Meeting Tuesday, November 16):** Discussed 2022 town budget. Discussed bumping up the equipment repair to \$10,000, raising fuel \$3,000, putting re-sealcoating at \$75,000. We should receive back \$30,000 to \$40,000 for matching funds and the TRIP program for road construction done in 2020. Aiming on not raising the town levy, but will need to see how the budget works out. Known increases are the fire protection municipal fee that is expected to go up, assessment re-eval and voting machine expense.

- 10.Future Agenda Items:** 7400 cab update, 4800 International update. Personal property tax update. Fire department update. Salt and gravel update.
- 11.Patrolman’s Report:** Nathan Napp later attended the meeting and stated he thinks the cab at J&J Salvage came off a fire truck. Steve said we need a mini excavator on Tower Road to work back dirt near the Lawnickit property. Steve wants to split the cost of renting the excavator with the township as he needs to dig out a drain line on his property, about 2 hours. The other project will probably take 2 to 3 hours. Steve has a trailer to haul the excavator. Discussed cattle crossing on Pine Knob and Town Hall down below Bryan Wetter is eroding and may need a tube. Board will wait and see where we are next year. Steve wants to extend the V plow. Nathan Napp said the Ford dump truck needs a battery. Nathan also said Ford 8000 has a leaky pan; he is going to fix. – Lonny said they are getting odds and ends done, signage up, cutting brush. They have done a lot of work on Wisconsin Valley.
- 12.Correspondence:** Judi notes that Cal’s name needs to be taken off as contact person with Town & Country since he is no longer on the board and wondered who the contact person should be. The board agreed to put Todd’s name on, so Judi will get that changed.
- 13. Approval of Invoices:** A motion was made by Jerrod to approve the October invoices. Todd seconded the motion.

Additional checks written out after the October 2021 board meeting and before the November 2021 board meeting are:

- 10/11/2021, check #14377, Jerrod Waterman, \$60.00.

14.Adjournment: Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Todd. Jerrod seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM. The Budget meeting and November board meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 16, 2021, at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith A. Boughton, Clerk