MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
TOWN OF MARION
SEPTEMBER 12, 2022

1. **Call to Order:** Steve Peer, Chairman, called the regular Board meeting for the month of September to order at 6:33 p.m.

2. **Roll Call:** Present at the meeting were: Steve Peer, Chairman; Jerrod Waterman, Supervisor; Todd King, Supervisor; Judi Boughton, Clerk and Laurie King, Treasurer.

Citizens who were in attendance of the meeting were: Tiffany Waterman, Lonny and Laurayne Fischer, Tom Haile.

3. **Approval of Agenda:** Jerrod 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, September 8, 2022. Notice was posted at the Town Shop and the town web site on Thursday, September 8, 2022.

5. **Minutes of Previous Meeting:** The Minutes of the August 8, 2022, 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 and read by Laurie King as follows:

Checking	$	23,434.02
Equipment fund savings		60,471.63
Red school house restoration		2,410.55
People's Money Market		159,243.99
ARPA Funds		57,762.38
Local Gov't Inv Pool		22.83
Total:	$	303,345.40

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 $171,658.65. Payments of $16,500 are due to continue quarterly until a final payment is made in June 2025. Laurie transferred money for the August salt shed bills out of the ARPA fund into the general fund. The money market balance includes the August settlement of $41,380.08.

7. **Citizen Input:** None.

8. **Old Business:**

- **American Rescue Plan Act/Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (ARPA/SLFRF) Update:** No update.
- **Update on Federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) funding (FFY 2022-2026) (Travis Kramer--Tower Road/Double Seal Coating Project**). Steve talked to Travis about signing up Tower Road for the Federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funding with widening out the road and double seal coating it. Travis told Steve the funding for projects has just recently reached a point where they can start talking and planning about it and Travis will try to get us in on it for Tower Road.
- **Update on Brechler/Evangelical Cemetery on Town Hall:** Steve brought a preliminary map drawn out by Austin Engineering to the meeting to be viewed. The property lines have been staked out and the trees can be cut and sold and stumps ground out so the fence can be brought out closer to the road. The current fenced in portion is 0.57 acres and total acreage for the whole cemetery is 1 acre. There is an old road bed that needs to cleaned out and fill added to the level of the cemetery and fenced.
- **Update on Tower Road Survey:** Once the certified survey map is received from Austin Engineering, a quit claim deed will need to be drawn up deeding the appropriate land east of the new portion of Tower Road to the appropriate landowners. There are now 3 landowners that own portions of this property. They will be paying for half of the survey. The Board agreed to have Lisa Rounds draw up the quit claim deed(s).

- **Update on Salt Shed (Electric/Well/Cement).** The electricity has been brought in by Scenic Rivers Energy Coop. The well has been delayed and will be worked on soon. We still need 2 more bids for the cement for the salt shed and may not be able to complete this year. Jerrod recommended pouring the cement walls first and then putting in the cement pad. There is only one cement bid so far.

9. **New Business.**
   - **Fall Cleanup (October 8):** Todd has 1 dumpster set up with Town & Country. Laurayne is in charge of arranging for help to work at fall cleanup. The ad to be placed in the Dial will remain the same except for pricing for bringing in tires, which will be 1st car tires per household at no charge; additional car tires $5 each (previously $3); truck tires $10 (previously $7) each and tractor tires $20 (previously $15) each.
   - **Boscobel & Rural Fire District Payment for Loan on Truck #4.** Judi received an "Alternate 3-Year Payment Plan Option" in the mail at the beginning of September from Paul Beck, Secretary/Treasurer of Boscobel and Rural Fire District and a letter regarding the town's payment of a portion of the $400,000 loan on truck #4 in the amount of $42,012.55, or $14,434.87 per year for 3 years. Judi called Paul for an explanation as to the expectations of payment and was told the $400,000 is a loan taken out for rebuilding current piece of equipment that was voted on and approved October 2021 by the fire board, was rebuilt and currently in the station. The department voted to pay off the $400,000 loan at their January 2022 meeting. They are giving the municipalities the option of paying off their portion of the $400,000 in 3 payments by the end of January 2025. Some municipalities have already paid in full using COVID funds. The 3-year plan includes 1.9% interest charge. Paul said this is just the tip of the iceberg for the fire department needs. The board discussed how best to pay the $42,012.55 owed to the fire department. The COVID (ARPA) funds have already been allocated to the salt shed project. The board decided to go with the plan to add $14,435 to the town levy for the next 3 years in order to make the fire truck payments. The first payment will be made at the January 2023 meeting. The 2023 budget will be reflected accordingly.
   - **New business.** Old Ford truck has a wiring problem that Nathan Napp is unable to figure out, so Steve asked Jerrell Sazama and he said he

could work on it. The tail lights and rear lights in back don't work. They took the strobe light off the wrecked truck and put that on. This truck has always had an electrical problem. Board agreed to take to Jerrell.

- Judi checked on question with WTA regarding whether the township is obligated to plow the driveway for the new Amish school on Tower Road. The answer from WTA was: "The town is not responsible for plowing private roads or driveways but does have the authority to contract with landowners and provide that service on private roads or driveways, Wis. Stat. s. 86.105. This means that the town may plow private roads or driveways for a fee but should not do so for free. This statute does not allow municipalities to plow private parking lots."
- The Tower Road project where Shan Riggs needed to place a line for the septic system on the opposite side of the road is complete and the gravel has all been put back. As recommended in the last meeting, Steve said he told them to run a wire with their work and to also take into consideration the road would be wider than it currently is at some point.
- Seal coating is supposed to get started next week.
- A check was received for 2 buckets of blacktop from Trever Wetter at $40 each for a total of $80 total for personal use on his property.
- Steve and Judi met with Justin Johnson at the site on Tower Road where the salt shed will be going in order to obtain a shoreland zoning permit. When the board decides to begin work on the project, we will need to sign the Application for Shoreland Zoning Permit and send back to the county along with the $100.00 permit fee. The permit will expire 1 year from the date issued, so we are waiting to send it in until when the work will actually begin.

10. **Future Agenda Items:** Update on Tower Road, update on seal coating, Tower Road quit claim deed, salt shed update, fall cleanup update.
11. **Patrolman's Report:** Tom said quite a bit of second-time-around mowing is done, lots of patching, especially on Riley Road.
12. **Correspondence:** None.
13. **Approval of Invoices:** A motion was made by Jerrod to approve the September invoices. Todd seconded the motion.

Additional checks written out after the September 2022 board meeting and before the October 2022 board meeting are:

- None.

14. Adjournment: Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Todd. Jerrod seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:49 PM. The October board meeting will be held on Monday, October 10, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Judith A. Boughton, Clerk