

# Town of Lind Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

Lind Town Hall, N1315 County Road A, Waupaca, WI

Monday, August 19, 2024 immediately following Public Hearing

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1. Meeting called to order at 6:05 p.m.
2. Open Meeting Statement deferred; done at Public Hearing.
3. Pledge of Allegiance deferred; done at Public Hearing.
4. Roll call: Deferred; done at Public Hearing. Public attendance per sign in book.
5. Approved Agenda: Motion by K. Nickel to amend agenda to include under New Business: Approval of Comprehensive Plan Amendment Ordinance No. 2024-8-19; second by Z. Nelson; motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
6. Public Comments: None.
7. Approve or Amend Minutes:
  - Monthly Board Meeting July 8, 2024 – Motion by C. Hardy to approve as is; second by K. Nickel; motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
  - Special Board meeting July 25, 2024 – Motion by Z. Nelson to approve as is; second by K. Nickel; motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
8. Treasurer's report: K. Barrows reviewed balance sheet. Seconded round of personal property taxes have been rec'd along with payments from State for general transportation, fire protection, shared revenue, video service provider, and computer aid. We will be receiving the second ½ of the property taxes this month.
9. Clerk's Report:
  - August transaction list reviewed; includes Checks #4824-4844 totaling \$105,863.44. Motion to approve transactions by Z. Nelson; second by C. Hardy; motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
  - Noted that Waupaca County will be having an appliance round-up in October.
10. Land Planning Commission August meeting: C. McCoy, Secretary reported that recommendation of approval was made for C. Gains CUP application and the D. Gietman CUP application. (D. Gietman's Zoning Map Amendment and Comprehensive Plan Amendment applications have been withdrawn by the applicant.) Do not know if they will have a September meeting; no new business at this time.

Postings have been made for seeking two new members for the Plan Commission. Z. Nelson stated it would be nice to have a deadline for 'applicants' to return form to the Board. Members are agreeing to stay on Commission until replacements are found.
11. Oral Report from County Board Supervisors meeting: C. Hardy reported donation received for K-9 unit from Kwik Trip. Gold Cross donated two old ambulance units to the Sheriff's Dept.- one will be used for the dive team, one for the investigative unit.

12. Oral Reports from meetings attended by Lind board members:

- Waupaca Fire District Commission –K. Nickel. New Fire Chief, Jake Waller, attended even though he did not officially start position until early Aug. He will be attending Board meetings of the Commissioners in the future.
- Weyauwega Fire District Commission – C. Hardy. They have backed off from pursuing the new building. Raised \$15, 263.71 from the Chicken BBQ. A new AC unit is needed for the building so Commission will be asking them to use some of these funds towards that purchase.
- WTA Quarterly meeting -K. Barrows and K. Nickel attended. Ken reported they reviewed the components of a property tax bill. New software for generating the taxes is purchased by the County. The use of the software will no longer be free for towns. Lind's cost will be \$150.00 this year and \$600/year starting 2025. Ken will continue to use his program for animal license's. New tax bills will also not have a spot for him to list hours of his availability for tax collection at the Town Hall so we will be posting them at the Town Hall and on the webpage and paper. K. Nickel stated that K. Peterson also presented information regarding possibility of additional monies coming to the Town's from the 911 fund.

13. Update on Roads, Culverts, Fire Numbers

- Small area of the ditches was cut back on Stecks Road due to washouts of gravel with rains.
- John has been out grading gravel roads- especially needed Christmas Tree Lane, Buffalo Ridge, and Jensen Roads done. Gravel was purchased for use where needed on these roads and for the town hall parking lot.
- We have had a few trees coming down in the rain storms. Reminder to please contact a Board member when issues are found so we can address them asap. We have also given John a list of roads with low hanging brush so it can be trimmed.
- No update yet on when chip sealing will be done on Schoohs and Pope Roads.
- We have had two Animals at Large calls this month; one involved the Sheriff's Dept due to dog on neighbors' property and had killed their chickens. Other was horses were loose on Cross Road during the night, but rounded up quickly.

14. New Business:

- Comprehensive Plan Amendment Ordinance for including Farmland Preservation after 10-year review: Motion by K. Nickel to approve Ordinance #2024-8-19: Ordinance Adopting an Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan for the Town of Lind; second by C. Hardy; motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- Conditional Use Permit for C. Gain for RV on lot greater than 30 days for use in summer months at N1108 County Road A, parcel 12 21 14 13. Cynthia and Ron Thurston presented their application. Discussion held. Agents stated RV receives water from a holding tank that is filled from well on other parcel. They are aware that if a well is connected to directly provide water to RV, then a septic system is required. It was also clarified for agents that no condition can be made requiring them to build a 'shelter' for the RV as was indicated at the Planning Commission meeting. Agents indicated that they hope to build in future anyway. Motion by K, Nickel for recommendation of CUP for C. Gain; seconded by Z. Nelson; motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- Conditional Use Permit for D. Gietman for hobby farm at N1869 County Road E, parcel 12 07 31 5. D. Gietman presented his application. Discussion held. Clarification regarding suitable acres and animal units given by K. Nickel from meeting held with Planning and Zoning. Applicant has approx. 8.1 suitable acres. Would like

option to have flexibility in number/mix of animals for future. One letter received from B. Bretwisch, neighbor to D. Gietman; letter was read aloud. (Copy of letter will be submitted to Waupaca County Planning and Zoning with return of application to them.) Z. Nelson discussed that applicant has 8 suitable acres so, if using the animal units worksheet as a reference tool, they can have up to 8 horses (1 horse per suitable acre), along with proposed chickens, pot-bellied pig, and mini horse, giving them approx. 17 animal units. (Using animal unit worksheet as a reference, the 8 horses would be 16 units and other animals add up to less than 1 unit.) Motion by Z. Nelson that Board recommends approval of CUP with condition that max number of horses be limited to eight (8) and 17 animal units if using animal unit worksheet as a guide; seconded by C. Hardy; motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

- Hall Rental Application: Received application for hall rental by Moonlight Creations for Oct. 31 thru Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 for craft sale. Motion by K. Nickel to approve; second by C. Hardy; motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- ARIP application: Filing application for Stecks Road. Support forms and letters have been sent out to agriculture producers. Applications are due by Sept. 30, 2024.
- Bridge Report from Waupaca County: We received report on Lind's bridges. Report reviewed. John is currently working on spraying and cutting of brush on all bridges.

#### 15. Old Business:

- Tony's Cemetery Service Contract: newest contract based on a per-service fee vs. monthly fee was reviewed. Motion by C. Hardy to accept 1 year contract with fees coming to Town of Lind, and Lind then paying Tony's based on itemized monthly billing statement; second by Z. Nelson; motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- Town Snowplow Contract: Received two responses to ad asking for snow removal/plowing quotes; one submitted a quote. C. Golke Industries quote reviewed. Discussion held. K. Nickel will contact C. Golke regarding two year contract for approval at next meeting.
- Town Hall remodel: just keeping on agenda for updates. K. Nickel contacted both Bauer Electric and NB construction regarding fall start date with project finished by Nov. 1.

#### 16. Future agenda items & Upcoming meetings:

- Next Board meeting will be September 9, 2024. Z. Nelson clarified that we would like interested parties for the Plan Commission to submit forms by Sept. 8. All forms are reviewed by the Board for appt to Commission.
- Budget planning for 2025 is beginning. K. Nickel and F. Neumann will be planning some work dates/times to get preliminary numbers formatted for Board.

17. Adjournment: Motion by K. Nickel to adjourn; seconded by Z. Nelson; motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Adjourned at 7:07 p.m.