

# Town of Lind Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

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

Monday, December 9, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

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1. Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Open Meeting Statement read.
3. Pledge of Allegiance done.
4. Roll call: K. Nickel, Z. Nelson, C. Hardy, F. Neumann, K. Barrows all present. Public attendance per sign in book (17 signed in).
5. Approved Agenda: Motion by C. Hardy to approve agenda as presented; second by Z. Nelson; motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
6. Public Input/Comments: K. Nickel shared questions/comments posed to her recently by multiple people that webpage is not accessible/working. Z. Nelson stated that the domain expired as it does every 2 yrs and we are renewing it now through JB Systems vs. iPage as it had been. JB Systems manages our website currently. It will now be on autorenewal at a cost of \$20 annually; credit card is logged in system for autorenewal.
7. Approve or Amend Minutes:
  - Board meeting November 11, 2024 - Z. Nelson discussed that she would like to see item #6 amended re: Qrtly WTA meeting to reflect that there was some confusion on if the WTA meeting was an open or closed meeting. Discussion held. Z. Nelson's motion is to amend item #6 to verify discussion via Zoom recording on comments made. In listening to the Zoom recording, the discussion was that it is not a "closed" meeting and J. Suhs stated that then by definition of State Statutes it would be considered "open" but public is not allowed to comment at the meeting. Z. Nelson stated that meeting is by invite to the town officials. Determined K. Nickel would contact WTA Chairperson for clarification. Motion seconded by K. Nickel; motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
  - Public Hearing November 25, 2024 – Motion by C. Hardy to approve minutes as presented; second by Z. Nelson; motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
  - Special Meeting of Electors November 25, 2024 – Motion by Z. Nelson to approve minutes as presented; second by C. Hardy; motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
  - Special Board Meeting November 25, 2024 – Motion by C. Hardy to approve minutes as presented; second by Z. Nelson; motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
8. Treasurer's report: K. Barrows reviewed monthly balance sheet. Received final Shared Revenue payment of approx. \$73,000. Property tax bill should be going out very soon. Reminded public present of dates he would be at Town Hall for in-person tax collection.
9. Clerk's Report:
  - F. Neumann presented/reviewed December transaction list; includes Checks #5007-5024 totaling \$13,498.31. K. Barrow's desktop computer was replaced due to it no longer being able to upgrade (> 10 yrs old). Motion to approve transactions made by K. Nickel; second by C. Hardy; motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

10. Land Planning Commission meeting: no report due to no meeting in December.
11. Oral Report from County Board Supervisors meeting: C. Hardy reported work on Courthouse construction will begin in March or April; the plan is to divide Courthouse in half; doing one ½ this year and other ½ next year. They are trying to find locations for holding their meeting; will be using FVTC and Waupaca Highway Dept facility.
12. Oral Reports from meetings attended by Lind board members:
  - C. Hardy—Weyauwega Fire Dept: still trying to convince them that there will be no new fire house built; and additional \$20,000 being paid in 2025 split by the townships is for the current HVAC/heating system to be replaced.
  - K. Nickel – Waupaca Fire District: Some new equipment has been purchased. A 4 in 1 harness used for getting hunters down from tree stands; a new light for the drone along with a 20” monitor for use by assistants to help observe area that drone is searching.
  - WTA Qrtly meeting—K. Nickel shared that E. Central Planning Commission presented information on services they can offer to towns; Zoey representing the Dairy Farmers Alliance presented the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan. All proposed amendments will come to the Towns in January. C. Hardy clarified that it will be a meeting setting for all the Towns to discuss and review proposed amendments together at the Courthouse. We do not have a date on that meeting yet. Legislative updates given. Z. Nelson shared that County Highway Dept shared updates on road work with County A not being scheduled to begin until 2027.
13. Update on Roads, Culverts, Fire Numbers
  - Snow plows out last week; call to J. Gunderson to place barrels of sand on Xmas Tree Lane and we have had 3 trees down that J. Gunderson had to remove from roadways.
  - Z. Nelson: new fire number approved for East Gate Drive; Waiting on additional road sign yet needed for Airport/Bartel rds.
  - We have received copies of a few recent violation letters sent by Waupaca County to property owners for building code/permit violations and such.
14. New Business:
  - Town of Lind Caucus- K. Nickel gave brief overview of reason for caucus and date range it must be held between. Discussion held. Date of January 13, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. selected and will hold our regular monthly Board meeting to following the caucus. Reminder that incumbents not wanting to seek re-election are required to sign a Declaration Non-Candidacy form; see Clerk F. Neumann.
15. Old Business:
  - Miracle Mountain Way: K. Nickel clarified the percentages that each Town is responsible for: Lind is 8%; Dayton is 28%; and Farmington is 64%. Lind’s portion of cost for tree removal is \$120.00. Waiting on Farmington to have their meetings this month for their approval of the quote. Dayton did approve.
  - Election Poll Workers: In follow-up to questions raised at November meeting re: additional workers added for Nov. 5, election. We received clarification from County Clerk via an email. Election workers are appointed in December of odd years for a 2-year term. Our list was delayed in coming to the Board and was approved in February of

2024. If not enough workers are available for an election, the Clerk is to present the Board with a list of additional names for approval at either a regular or special Board meeting; those workers are then appointed to work for that specific election, not the remaining 2 year term. They will also need to complete the training.

- Town Hall remodel: Noah Bartel finished the construction portion; keeping contact with Bauer to get their portion finished. Will start painting and staining. Large counter was removed by private party; few items were sold that were no longer needed (box of thermal paper and 100 cup coffee maker).

16. Future agenda items & Upcoming meetings:

- Next Board meeting and Caucus will be ~~December~~ **January** 13, 2025 at 6:00 p.m
- Spring Election is April 1, 2025
- Annual Town Elector meeting is April 15, 2025

K. Nickel shared that it would be nice to plan the Board's road tour earlier this year---perhaps in March if snow is gone so we can get an earlier start on planning which road projects the Board wants to address. We have not received any word on the ARIP application for Stecks Road; those should be awarded this month.

K. Barrows shared that we will need to adjust the February meeting date for the Board due to the State's deadlines to distribute tax checks and need to approve those transactions.

17. Adjournment: Motion by K. Nickel to adjourn; seconded by C. Hardy; motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

Submitted by Nickel, Chair; Neumann, Clerk