

Rushford Town Board Minutes
Wednesday, June 5, 2024

The Town of Rushford June Board meeting was called to order by Thomas Egan followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with Tom Egan, Pat Kafer, Jerry Schoonover, Katheryn Lewis & Peggy Hendricks present. Also present for all or part of the meeting: 7 additional persons per attendance record on file, though others were present who did not sign in.

Statement of Public Notice: Notice of this meeting, the zoning meeting, notice of public hearing, open book and Board Review was posted on the Town hall door, the corner of K&E in Eureka, the Waukau post office and the Town's website.

Clerks Report: *Motion by Schoonover to approve the minutes from May 1, 2024. 2nd by Kafer. Discussion: Motion carried.*

Treasurers Report was given by Katheryn Lewis. The balance for the general account at the end of May was \$385,926.75. The balance in the tax account was \$2,126.37 *Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Kafer to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.*

Payment of Monthly Invoices: *Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to approve and pay \$57,121.85 for invoices for June. Motion carried.*

Public Input: Carol Hilderbrand, residing on N Spring Road, Omro, wanted to tell the Board how grateful they are for the new road on N. Spring Road. Jim Moore, 7505 Archery Drive, Omro, commented that Anvil Custom Tree trimming did a nice job down Archery. Asked why they did not do anything with the pine trees that are hanging over the road. Egan said it might be that the tree was on the Town road right away, but he has not looked at it. Dave Robl from GFL Environmental introduced himself. He is the operations manager. They are looking to take on more municipalities. He wanted to stress they are not affiliated with Waste Management.

Communications & Correspondence: Hendricks said they received a recycling grant of \$2,886.49. The Town of Rushford received a Notice of Violation from Winnebago Co Planning and Zoning for parcel #022 1043, 2674 State Road 116, for constructing a fence without a permit. It must be remedied or removed by June 14th. Received a letter from Mike Stanley, City of Oshkosh fire chief pertaining to 2022-2026 ambulance agreement – clarification of terms.

Old Business: Egan gave an update on the Carlson property. The building is down and in a pile. They started burning it. Spencer's did weed whack a bit, but that was all. The Board has mediation with Kasuboski on June 19th at 9:00. A resident of Blue Bell, lot #22, asked how he thought the Board sees mediation going. They do not want to start building or sell the lot, for they feel it is lowering their property value. They do not want to spend so much money on a home if they have to look out and look at that property. Kafer asked what they were envisioning, for he feels it will not be like their lot. An idea would be to build a berm and plant trees to hide Kasuboski's two lots.

New Business:

Dan Kesselmayr from USI Fiber to ask the Board about the possibility of getting a small easement at the corner of State Road 116 and Archery Dr – 2654 State Road 116. This would house a small cabinet that would house the electronics that they need to power the fiber network for our area. Egan thanked him for coming to ask, for there is one that just appeared on Archery Drive. The Board suggested putting it on Archery next to the one that is there. They thought an easement would be better than in the road right away in case future road expansions.

Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Kafer to approve "Class B" Beer & "Class B" Liquor pending payment for:

Ron K and Marilyn Fink, 7755 County K, Omro WI for: Trail Inn, 2664 State Rd 116, Waukau, WI 54980. Motion carried.

Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Kafer to approve "Class B" Beer & "Class B" Liquor pending payment for:

Renee Smith & Raymond Smith, 7279 Cliff West Rd, Omro, WI 54963, R & R Smith LLC for Shamrock Pub & Grub, 7431 State Rd 91, Waukau, WI 54980. Motion carried.

Motion by Egan, 2nd by Schoonover, to approve "Class B" Beer & "Class B" Liquor pending payment for:

Agent Patrick Kafer, 8922 Eureka Lock Rd, Omro, WI 54963 for Eureka PM LLC, Farmstead Saloon, 3083 County Road E, Eureka, WI 54963. Motion carried with Kafer abstaining.

Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Kafer to approve "Class B" Beer & "Class B" Liquor pending payment for:

Bill & Andrea Rew, 3098 Spring St, Eureka, WI 54963 for Rews Roadside LLC, Rews Roadside, 3092 County Road E, Eureka, WI 54963. Motion carried.

Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Kafer to approve "Class B" Beer & "Class B" Liquor pending payment for:

Travis Schinke, 1706 Hoover Ct, Little Chute, WI 54140 for Feed the People of Oshkosh, Inc - Eureka Landings Bar & Grill, 3114 Liberty St, Eureka, WI 54963. Motion carried.

Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Kafer to approve the renewal for a Firework Stand permit for Bryce Pomplun, 3175 Cty Rd E, Eureka, WI. Motion carried.

Discussion on buoys on Fox River – Craig Bartel called to discuss this at the meeting, but there is nothing to report.

Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to approve the Picnic License for Waukau Community Center for June 9, 2024. Motion carried.

Town Zoning report – Tom Jackson: Tom reported on the Zoning meeting held on May 29th. Minutes from this meeting are in the back and on the Towns website.

Motion by Schoonover to approve the Conditional Use permit for JABB Properties, (Rews Roadside) at 3092 CTY RD E, for agent William Rew, Parcel #022 1493, zoned Commercial for a 20' storage container. Motion 2nd by Kafer.

Discussion: Kafer stated that Eureka Landings has one and they were grandfathered in. Jackson said when this first went into effect, everyone that had one was issued a Conditional use permit at that time. Kafer said that the ordinance says the container is for storage. He asked if he wanted to buy a 40' one that would be used for entertainment, if that would be allowed. The ordinance says the maximum size is 8x20 for storage. Jackson said they do not allow them for residents or houses. He thought the answer would be no. Kafer said it also states if it coheres to what the property is being used for. In this case it would to the establishment. Jackson said it would have to be discussed at a zoning meeting.

Motion carried.

Egan stated that Marty will be done at the end of this year and the Town needs to find another inspector. Others are having a hard time to find someone to take his spot.

Discussion on Town Maintenance: Chuck Freund said all the roads are paved and they didn't use all the blacktop. They have 236 tons that would pave a section on Liberty School road.

Building Reports:

Paul Timm, 7493 Wayside Drive, Omro, WI
10x120' driveway and approach by NEA, Greenville, WI
\$3,940 022 050802 5-15-2024

Brandon Schultz, 7367 Bluebird Crossing, Omro, WI
16x20 Pavilion built by Nathan Potratz, Fond du Lac
\$23,370 022 1448 5-9-2024

Joel Bartelt, 3044 County Road K, Omro
30x40 stick built garage by APK Construction, Princeton
\$65,000 022 1526 5-30-2024

Tom Weber for 7291 Old Mill Road, Omro
New Home by Envision Building, Oshkosh, WI
\$700,000 022 1460 5-28-2024

County report: There have been a lot of questions about why all the ARPA money is not going out, but it should be out by the end of the month. Once the County Board approves, it goes to the County Ex. The new people seem to be working out fine. They have started budget session. The homeless around the Orrin King building has become a problem that they are trying to work out.

Attended Meetings:

Board of Review was held on June 3rd. There were no cases.

Upcoming meetings:

Mediation for Kasuboski on June 19th at Winnebago County Courthouse, room 417 at 9 am.
The meeting for July will be scheduled from July 3rd to July 10th

Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to adjourn the meeting at 8:10. Motion carried.
Respectfully submitted by Peggy Hendricks, Clerk

