

**Town of Silver Cliff Meeting Minutes
N11929 County Road I
Silver Cliff, WI 54104**

Monthly Town Board Meeting Tuesday, December 14, 2021

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bruce Weber at 7 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: Present board members: Chairman Bruce Weber, Supervisor Sue Victoreen, and Supervisor Dee Farley

Others Present: Dana Weber Town Clerk, Kristin Gagne Deputy Clerk, Carol Kitchmaster Treasurer, Cory Gagne Code Enforcement Officer and 16 residents.

Verification of proper public notice: Agendas were posted at Silver Cliff Town Hall, Emergency Services Building, Red Pine BP, Rustic Inn, Rapids Resort, Jungle Jims.

Motion to Approve Agenda Items: Supervisor Dee Farley motioned it, seconded it by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion Carried.

Approval of Meeting Minutes for November 3, 2021 Special Board Meeting, November 9, 2021 and Special Budget Workshop- Supervisor Dee Farley Motioned it, seconded it by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion Carried.

Discussion and possible action regarding resignation of town clerk – Received letter from Dana Weber stating immediate resignation of town clerk position dated 12/14/2021. Supervisor Dee Farley Motioned it, seconded it by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion Carried.

Discussion and possible action regarding appointment of town clerk- Chairman Bruce would like to appoint Kristin Gagne as town clerk. Motioned by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, seconded by Supervisor Dee Farley. Motion Carried.

Discussion and possible action regarding appointment of deputy clerk- Kristin Gagne would like to appoint Dana Weber as deputy town clerk. Motioned it by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, seconded it by Supervisor Dee Farley. Motion Carried.

Discussion and possible action regarding appointment of election inspector list from the Marinette Republican Party- Appointment of Margaret Lewis- Motioned it by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, seconded by Supervisor Dee Farley. Motion Carried.

Discussion and possible action regarding Rescue Squad staffing shortage- Ann Wender would like to leave open for discussion from Joanne Sisler for later in meeting.

Reports/updates presented:

- a. **Treasurer's report:** Carol Kitchmaster reported a balance in checking account of \$19,815.98. Balance in money market is \$129,807.59, CD's Total \$590,694.72, check for grader did not clear account yet.

- b. **Clerks Report:** 1 Resident inquiring about renting town hall building for 1 week time period Dates Dec. 19, 2021 thru Dec. 25, 2021. 1 Objection- That on December 22, 2021 due to recycling; recycle attendants need to be able to use Restrooms in Town Hall. Otherwise, No objections.

(Reminder: Kanzenbach's Free Christmas Concert is December 26th 6:00 pm at Town Hall, all are welcome)

- c. **Chairman's report:** Chairman Bruce Weber reported received delivery of grader if anyone is interested in seeing it to talk with Cory Gagne. Noted we have had 2 plow trucks broke down in shop and only 1 working plow truck to remove snow from roads, been busy cleaning snow per requests from roadways, pushing back drifts. 1 of Salt trucks is broken down, so currently only have 1 salt truck in operation. Thank Dana Weber for getting computer software up and working and all her hard work and time she has put into the town-is greatly appreciated. Thank the roadcrew for their hard work during this winter season.
- d. **Cemetery Committee:** Burial yesterday, thanked Cory Gagne for plowing cemetery. Sold 3 plots in last couple months.
- e. **Planning Commission:** Sabin Rosenbaum reported Chris Norton is checking on status of forest management plan with Stu Boreen-Forester with BorFor Land Management.
- f. **Road Committee: No Report.**
- g. **Road Work Report:** Cory Gagne reported Current Road Equipment age: 20 year old Dump truck, 10 year old Dump truck, and 8 year old Dump truck. There has been a lack of keeping our road equipment up to date, which is making a challenge for road work, and snow removal/salting our roadways. We are experiencing a lot of road equipment breakdowns due to age of vehicles and lack of maintenance from previous years. Idea for back up snow plow equipment is to use the loader-which can plow 8 feet at a time, if we have a bracket made for loader that would attach to all of the current plow blades we have. It would not be able to wing or salt/sand, just would be able to plow snow, visibility is very good, maneuvers well. Approximate cost is \$3,000.00 (Terrys Mfg-Wabeno) to have bracket made for loader to attach to plow blades. This would help tremendously as an emergency back up for when Dump trucks are broken down during winter seasons. Peterbuilt Dump truck currently is broken down with DPFE filter plugged and is in for repair having DPFE filter cleaned approx. \$1800.00 as this is maintenance item that is overdue. 02 International is also showing its age. The dump trucks have been worked harder due to grading roads usage.
- Approval of having plow attachment bracket made for Loader Approx. \$3,000.00** Motioned by Supervisor Dee Farley, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion Carried.
- h. **Code Enforcement Officer Report:** Cory Gagne-Code Enforcement Officer Reported 1 Dog reunited with owner within 30 minutes.
- i. **Recycling/garbage:** Marilyn Kowis Recycling/garbage is doing good, a lot of people coming. Mentioned by Chairman Bruce Weber for residents to start thinking of Recycle Plan area project for discussion at Annual Meeting, would be glad to hear anyone's thoughts/comments.
- j. **Fire Department:** Per Al Walesh- Quiet month, no fires. Recently purchased set of struts to stabilize vehicle if rollover. Also purchased 4 new sets turnout gear (approx. \$4,000.00 per set) which has 10 year lifespan, keep in rotation. Carol Kitchmaster reported \$15,126.03 Beginner Receipts \$12,560.00 \$357.19 expenditures, \$27,328.84 checking, \$5383.45 savings, balance \$32,712.29.

- k. **Rescue Squad:** Joanne Sisler reported only offering 3 month Rescue Squad contract to town of Silver Cliff. (Jan 1st-March 31st 2022). Trying to get people to volunteer, short of help. In need of EMT's and EMR's. Held meeting on 11/21 had no new attendance. Had 18 calls in last 20 days, only missed 1 call. Thank Fire Department for helping out and also Thank plow driver (Roadcrew).
Currently have no full crews scheduled any of the days this month. Need extra 2 to 3 people to do it, then we would be ok. Hospital is really bad with COVID cases, Hospitals are strict with rules-regulations (Aurora & Bay Area). Sunday 12/19/21 6pm Rescue Squad Meeting.
- l. **Parks Committee:** Chairman Bruce Weber Reminded of having Roadcrew check on park pavilion/roofs. Note: June 25th 2022 Cletus & Mary Deprey 50th Wedding Anniversary Rental of Park.

Approval of Vouchers & payment of bills check# 8366 to check# 8419, Motioned by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, Seconded by Supervisor Dee Farley-Motion Carried.

Items intended for future meetings:

Town Advocacy council, Vendor for Audit, Rescue Squad-status for discussion-per Supervisor Dee.

*Need 1 radio & antenna for grader, Also Rescue Squad donated 2 radios (which can't use them=bad) for Town RoadCrew. Recommend 2 new radio's approx. \$419. Each New MX12 for RoadCrew. Chairman Bruce Weber commented to schedule day for Jim to come, coordinate to program radios & vehicles.

Public Comment: Ron Knier mentioned Garbage pickup Dates: 1st, 3rd, 5th Wed of the Month until April 1st, he would like if it could be on facebook, or on town website? Accidently was incorrectly noted on 2021 Tax bills. Resident mentioned Town Hall hot water is really bad (lack of it), worse than when had the old water heater. Check into plumber-Maiden Lake-paperwork? Kenny (resident) asked where to get info on hidden driveway sign or reduce speed on Cty C.= Resident needs to talk with Marinette County. Resident asked what items do you need building permits for? Best to check building ordinances. (ordinance is on Silver Cliff Website). Mary Deprey asked Are the new town garage lights on all night? Yes Led lights for security. Supervisor Sue Victoreen asked Security cameras for EMS Building, internet has not been installed yet.

Motion to adjourn: A motion to adjourn at 8:19 pm was made by Supervisor Dee Farley, Seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion Carried.

Kristin Gagne
Clerk, Town of Silver Cliff

