

Town of Silver Cliff Meeting Minutes

N11929 County Road I

Silver Cliff, WI 54104

Monthly Town Board Meeting Tuesday, September 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 L. Weber, Town of Silver Cliff Clerk; Carol Kitchmaster, Town of Silver Cliff Treasurer; Kristin Gagne, Town of Silver Cliff Deputy Clerk and 11 residents

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

Motion to approve the agenda: A motion to approve the agenda was made by Supervisor Dee Farley, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen. Motion carried.

Consider for approval or other action:

Minutes from August 10, 2021 town board meeting after any corrections have been rectified. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, seconded by Supervisor Dee Farley. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action regarding security system at public safety building: Chairman Bruce Weber reported the codes on the doors have been changed. They are looking at a security system that has 8-10 cameras with the option of adding more cameras for approximately \$600. They are also switching to century link internet for faster and more reliable internet service. A motion was made by Supervisor Dee Farley, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen to purchase security system. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action regarding approval of amendment to the building code ordinance:

A motion was made by Supervisor Dee Farley, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen to approve amendment to the building code ordinance to require a permit for foundations. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action regarding creation of code enforcement officer position:

Chairman Bruce Weber explained if the town board approved this position it will have the same pay as the constable position, which is elected. The town board will also have the authority to appoint the code enforcement officer. A motion was made by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, seconded by Supervisor Dee Farley to create code enforcement officer position. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action regarding resignation of constable: Chairman Bruce Weber explained that under the current state statutes a town employee can only hold one office. Currently we have a town employee working on the road crew who is also an elected official serving as the town constable. When the employee reaches \$15,000 they have to resign from one of the positions. Cory Gagne has submitted his resignation as town constable when he reached the \$15,000 limit.

Discussion and possible action regarding final centennial funds distribution: Chairman Bruce Weber contacted the Wisconsin Towns Association and spoke to Joe Ruth an attorney for the WTA. Bruce Weber explained to Joe that the town board did not appoint a chairman or select a committee for the centennial committee that had been formed to plan the centennial. The town board budgeted for specific items only for the centennial. All other funding was supported by private donations not town

(taxpayer) dollars. All the funds raised for the centennial have been given to the Silver Cliff Fire and Rescue a complete recap of fund is available upon request.

Discussion and possible action regarding Wisconsin Towns Association Convention: A motion was made by Supervisor Dee Farley, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen to cover the cost of the registration of \$185.00 for any board member that would like to attend the convention. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action regarding the Wisconsin Towns Association Fall Town Workshops: A motion was made by Supervisor Dee Farley, seconded by Supervisor Sue Victoreen to approve board members attending fall workshops. To include virtual programs along with a binder of the programs offered. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action regarding setting budget workshop dates: Workshop dates were scheduled for Saturday September 16th at 8:00 am, Tuesday October 12th at 5:30 pm, Tuesday November 9th at 5:30 pm.

Discussion and possible action regarding setting road committee meeting: Chairman Bruce Weber set date for Tuesday September 28th at 8:00 am for a road committee meeting to drive around and evaluate roads for road ratings due in December.

Reports / updates presented:

- a. **Treasurer's report:** Carol Kitchmaster reported a balance in the checking account of \$20,211.86
Balance in the money market is \$398,736.44. CD's total \$463,138.02
- b. **Clerk's report:** Dana Weber reported working on the recycling grant with Chairman Bruce Weber. Special Assessments for properties selling is still very busy.
- c. **Chairman's report:** Chairman Bruce Weber reported the salt shed is now complete. The radio tower is scheduled to be installed this next week. The town radios need to be reprogramed. The recycling grant has been submitted. The road name certification needs to be sent in yet. The speaker system that was installed at the park was short 4 speakers that have now been installed. There was a movie crew here from California working on a short film. They did some taping a McClintock Park. They will notify town of screening coming up and three to four months. Bruce was notified of hearing for rescue squad vandalism incident.
- d. **Cemetery committee report:** Supervisor Sue Vfactoreen reported one family plot and one single plot was sold. The committee had a meeting on August 25th. The committee is requesting a tape measure and a metal detector to better located plots.
- e. **Planning commission report:** Sabin Rosenbaum reported the planning commission forwarded the fines and forfeiture schedule resolution to the town board for final approval. A motion was made by Supervisor Sue Victoreen, seconded by Supervisor Dee Farley to approve the resolution. Motion carried.
- f. **Road committee report:** Chairman Bruce Weber has scheduled a ride a long to review the road ratings.
- g. **Road work:** Cory Gagne reported the Peterbilt truck is in the shop for some repairs to the brakes, EGR valve and the exhaust filter. The international is going in next for some scheduled maintenance. The road crew has been busy adding gravel to the roads, grading roads, fall brush mowing, replacing worn out road signs and posts, road sign inspection started, inspecting culverts, maintenance to equipment, building berm against new salt shed walls, hauled in recycling items.
- h. **Constable:** Cory Gagne reported he had been working on fire numbers throughout town, ATV issues and a few building permit issues. Total of 74 hours of patrolling.
- i. **Recycling/garbage:** Marilyn Kowis reported microwaves have a \$10 fee now. Chairman Bruce Weber stated the recycling center needs to be reevaluated for the most effective use of the area.

- j. **Fire department:** Chief Walesh reported a quiet month. They received one call for an accident on Hwy C. Hose and pump testing is completed. The winter heating season is right around the corner reminder to please inspect and have chimneys cleaned.
- k. **Rescue Squad:** Ann Wedner would like to thank the Twin Bridge Rescue Squad for responding to Silver Cliff calls when our rescue squad was out of service. A total of 90 calls have been logged so far this year.
- l. **Parks committee:** No report

Invoices & payment of bills check #8250 to check # 8292 : A motion to approve the invoices was made by Supervisor Sue Victoreen seconded by Supervisor Dee Farley . Motion carried.

Items intended for future meetings: Code Enforcement Officer

Public comment: Supervisor Dee Farley would like a copy of the town nuisance ordinance. Sabin requested some office supplies for the planning commission.

Motion to adjourn: A motion to adjourn at 8:28 p.m. was made by Supervisor Sue Victoreen seconded by Supervisor Dee Farley. Motion carried.

Dana Weber
Clerk
Town of Silver Cliff.