

Town of Silver Cliff Meeting Minutes
N11929 County Road I
Silver Cliff, WI 54104
Town Board Meeting, Tuesday, May 9, 2023

Minutes

1. Call to order & Pledge of Allegiance – Meeting called to order by Chairman, Bruce Weber at 7:00pm
2. Roll call and verification of proper public notice; Town Board members, Chairman Bruce Weber, Supervisor Dee Farley, Supervisor Jay Van Frachen.
Others present: Clerk, Amy Vannieuwenhoven, Treasurer Carol Kitchmaster, Constable, Cory Gagne.11 citizens

Motion to approve the agenda: Motion by Dee Farley, seconded by supervisor Jay Van Frachen, motion carried.

1. Approval of the meeting minutes for April 11, 2023 Town Board meeting, after any corrections have been reflected. Motion by supervisor 1, seconded by supervisor 2
2. Discussion and possible action regarding purchase of a computer monitor for the Town Clerk, not to exceed \$300.00. motion to approve supervisor 1, seconded by supervisor 2. Motion carried.
3. Discussion and possible action regarding obtaining bids/estimates for painting the town hall. Discussion if bids should be gathered. Bid would include the walkway with possible heavier paint. Supervisor 1 to get a few color paint swatches. Motion by supervisor 2, seconded by supervisor 1, motion carried.
4. Discussion and possible action regarding estimates for the (old) town shop roof. Roof is in need of repair, the last windy day, the roof started to come loose. JJ builders said they could put a wooden slanted roof. Short term fix until the new fire department is built. Discussion if a more permanent resolution should be done if the plan is to use the building for other town needs. Motion by supervisor 2, seconded by supervisor 1. Motion carried.

Reports/Updates presented:

- a. Treasurer: \$22609.61 checking \$194389.15 money market. \$11197921.10 CD. \$ 4047.61 in interest the last month.
- b. Clerk: None
- c. Chairman: Fire Department progress, lots of activity with tear down. When beams are down, concrete will be torn up. Next is a new well as water flow is only 2.5 gallons per minute. Question from Chris Norton, maybe zone frack the well for improved pressure. New shop progress, will be done shortly. Smith concrete has the bid for concrete.
Tri D paperwork for Old J work is complete and \$75k coming. CDBG application being worked on and due 5/31/23. Chairman working on gathering information needed. Also, we should know if the governor's budget in July includes 1m in funding. Jeff Mursau, looks good for JFC keeping the 1m in the state budget. Law suit; lawyers are making requests for discovery. Next is pretrial; if no agreement it goes to trial. Newsletter being assembled, there is a broadband survey attached to the newsletter, encourage all to take the survey. WI internet service providers could pick up the small areas not covered. Trying to get copy of contract signed with Marinette County. There are 4 ways to turn in the survey; drop box, town board member, mail, possible to take the survey via the TSC website, link will be forthcoming. Jerad Deshane from the Wausaukee School District will host the 7/12/2023 school board meeting at 5:30 pm at the Silver Cliff Town Hall. Strong Falls trail system, 5/21/2023 rescue and fire going with Marinette County Administrator to show how to access the trail for rescue trucks. June 3, 2023, 10 am – 4 pm, grand opening for trail. Runs, bike demonstrations, 10 am ceremony, guided trail ride, first 100 people get a cup. Crystal Peterson is looking to get t-shirts for the picnic with a tornado theme.
- d. Cemetery: Supervisor 1 and 2 to co-chair. They will get with Sue and Katzenbach to learn duties and divide up.

- d. Planning Commission: Joint meeting with Athelstane 5/8/2023. Weight limit issues with certain roads once county lifted the weight limits. Possible to get neighboring towns to keep weight limits longer, possibly 2 weeks as northern roads tend to get damaged.
- d. Road/Roadwork: a lot of water on Benson and Suede John Road, closed. Public is moving road signs to use the road and not returning the signs to their place. Hauling gravel as Benson Lake Road was washed out. Suede John Road has been repaired; signs left on the side of the road in hopes the public will go slow. Fill potholes, gravel, grading. Pat Schleiss from Scott, finish Old J and Kimbal lane. Kimbal needs extensive work with digging rocks out, culverts and grading hills. Do that work in 2023 and let it sit the winter.
- d. Constable: dog Calls and building permit
- d. Recycling/garbage: Need good signs once the new fabric building is complete, the fuel dump will be moved, it may make more room for recycling. Supervisor Jay Van Frachen will be on a virtual call with DOT for recycle feedback and changes.
- d. Fire Department: no calls, controlled house burn as training and homeowners gave a nice donation. 2 other houses are available to burn for training. Discussion on using concrete (busted) from the Fire Department building deconstruction, to boat landing 12. Pending rebar removal. Originally slated for busted concrete to go to Nighthawk pit. \$45083.68, receipts \$400.00 Expenses \$461.24. net \$45022.44. June 19, 2023 gun banquet, tables are sold out. Nice donations for the event, even though there has been no ask for donations.
- d. Rescue: Quiet month. Looking forward to see how rescue access is laid out and figuring in personal time to travel. Chris Norton; gates will be locked for hunting sanctuary (county information). Infrastructure meeting 5/10/2023 for public to comment. Recommendation is to have the county involve neighboring town fire department and rescue. Questioning cell service on the trail?
- d. Park Committee: Meeting forthcoming to go over upcoming year plans.

April vouchers & payment of bills; check # 9156 to check #9190. Motioned by Supervisor Dee Farley, Supervisor Jay Van Frachen seconded, motion carried.

Items intended for future meetings: None

Public comment: Act 4 passed by Public Service Committee. The county cannot pay WRS directly, the 6%.

Sue Victoreen: Mens room should be repaired, there is a leak when it rains.

Al Walesh: memorial stone in front of the town hall, where is it? Taken down as a child got hurt. Might be at the park, turned down, others are not sure that is the same rock.

Chris Norton: shoulders filled in on Old J? Chairman made note. Joann, at an Athelstane town meeting, they have a shouldering machine, possible to contact them to use.

Motion to adjourn, Supervisor Dee Farley, seconded by Supervisor Jay Van Frachen, motion carried. Meeting adjourned 7:54 pm

Respectfully,

Amy Vannieuwenhoven

Clerk, Town of Silver Cliff