

*Unofficial Minutes until approved by the Town Board*

**TOWN OF CAMPBELL  
LA CROSSE COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2020, 5:30 P.M.  
CAMPBELL TOWN HALL  
2219 BAINBRIDGE STREET, LA CROSSE, WI 54603**

**1) Meeting Called to Order / Pledge of Allegiance:**

Meeting called to order at 5:32 P.M.

**2) Roll Call & Verify Public Notice:**

Present: Supervisor Ralph Thoren, Chairman Terry Schaller, Supervisor Mitch Brohmer, Supervisor Bob Wolfert, Supervisor Troy Littlejohn (arrived at 5:38 p.m.)

Pursuant to law, written notice of this meeting was given to the press and posted on the public bulletin boards.

**3) Public Comment: (limit to 5 minutes per person)**

Motion to receive public comment made by Supervisor Thoren/Supervisor Wolfert. **Motion carried 4-0**

*Bruce Becker, 3111 Lakeshore Dr.*, asked about the reasoning for creating a Town Administrator position and stated that he feels the position should be posted and advertised. He also inquired about a house that was purchased by the City of La Crosse; the progress of the Kiowa Place culvert project; and the proposed sewer contract with the City of La Crosse.

*Tony Curtis, 600 Dauphin St.*, would like monthly reports on the reserve account amounts. He also stated that he is against creating the position of Town Administrator, as it is not an elected position.

*Thomas Fry, 3122 Youngdale Ave.*, expressed concern regarding his property tax bill amount and a possible sewer rate increase. He also stated that he believes the creation of a Town Administrator position should be decided by referendum.

Motion to close public comment made by Supervisor Wolfert/Chairman Schaller. **Motion carried 5-0**

**4) Business:**

**A.** Charlie Handy, La Crosse County Planner, seeking consideration of a letter of support from the Town for the BUILD Grant application. (Held Over)

Chairman Schaller stated that he was concerned with the changes that could come out of the grant, including increasing traffic.

Motion to oppose drafting a letter of support for the BUILD Grant made by Supervisor Wolfert/Supervisor Brohmer. **Motion carried 5-0**

- B)** Request for proposals for I.T. audit services, hardware and software updates, and managed service. (Held Over)

Mike Howe, MCS Networks, explained that there were a few changes from the original quote based on Department of Justice records retention requirements.

Lee Weis, 3RT Networks, presented a proposal for infrastructure changes and computer replacement.

Chief Gavrilos spoke in favor of using MCS for I.T. services.

There was some discussion on the current firewall and compliance issues.

Motion to not approve this project tonight made by Supervisor Wolfert. There was no second. **Motion fails.**

Motion to carry item over to next month's Board meeting made by Supervisor Wolfert/Supervisor Schaller. **Motion carried 4-1. Supervisor Brohmer voted "no"**

- C)** Discussion and possible action regarding purchasing procedures. (Held Over)

Chairman Schaller presented a sample purchasing policy from the Towns Association. There was some discussion about current procedures and dollar limits.

Motion to hold over to next month's Board meeting made by Supervisor Brohmer/Chairman Schaller. **Motion carried 5-0**

- D)** Resolution #2020-1 amending the 2020 budget to allow the Fire Department to utilize \$8,743.15 in excess general operations funds from the 2019 budget. (Held Over)

Motion to approve Resolution #2020-1 made by Supervisor Wolfert/Chairman Schaller. **Motion carried 5-0**

- E)** Creation of the position of Town Administrator.

**No action taken**

- F)** Law Enforcement Mutual Assistance Agreement with the Village of West Salem.

Motion to approve the Law Enforcement Mutual Assistance Agreement with the Village of West Salem made by Supervisor Brohmer/Supervisor Thoren. **Motion carried 5-0**

G) Approval for the Town to administer the DOT Speed Grant program.

Chief Gavrilos explained that the City of Onalaska was looking for someone to administer the DOT Speed Grant program and he volunteered.

Motion to approve the Town to administer the DOT Speed Grant program made by Supervisor Brohmer/Supervisor Wolfert. **Motion carried 5-0**

5) **Closed Session:** Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85 (1) (e) “Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session AND 19.85 (1) (c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body had jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

Motion to convene in Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1)(e) and 18.85 (1) (c) on a roll call vote made by Supervisor Brohmer/Supervisor Thoren.

Littlejohn – yes, Supervisor Thoren – yes, Chairman Schaller – yes, Supervisor Brohmer-yes & Supervisor Wolfert - yes. **Motion carried 5 yes – 0 no**

**(Closed Session) (6:44 p.m.)**

A) Personnel issues in the Maintenance, Clerk, and Police departments.

B) Discussion on Sanitary Sewage agreement with the City of La Crosse.

6) **Reconvene in Open Session (8:31p.m.):**

Motion to reconvene in Open Session made by Supervisor Littlejohn/Supervisor Thoren. **Motion carried 5-0**

A) Possible action of items discussed in Closed Session.

1. Motion to activate Emergency Management to administer the Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency made by Supervisor Wolfert/Supervisor Littlejohn. **Motion carried 5-0**

2. Motion to delay the start of brush chipping to May made by Supervisor Wolfert/Supervisor Thoren. **Motion carried 5-0**

3. Motion to pay Steve Lyga the maintenance foreman's hourly rate for the term of the maintenance foreman's absence made by Supervisor Wolfert/Chairman Schaller.

**Motion carried 5-0**

**7) Adjournment of Meeting:**

Motion to adjourn made by Supervisor Littlejohn/Supervisor Wolfert. **Motion carried 5-0 (8:33 p.m.)**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Cassandra Hanan  
Clerk/Treasurer