

*Unofficial Minutes until approved by the Town Board*

**TOWN OF CAMPBELL  
LA CROSSE COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 2012, 6:00 P.M.  
CAMPBELL TOWN HALL  
2219 BAINBRIDGE STREET, LA CROSSE, WI 54603**

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM.
- 2) **ROLL CALL & VERIFY PUBLIC NOTICE:** Present: Chairman Scott Johnson, Supervisor David Wilder, Supervisor Pat Post, Supervisor Jeff Schroeder, and Supervisor Dave La Fond.

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

- 3) **READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST ANNUAL MEETING:**

*Bob Crooks, 1831 La Fond Ave*, asked about the purchase of the land down on Lakeshore Drive and if we still own it. Chairman Johnson stated that we still currently own that piece of property. Mr. Crooks also asked about the Skipperliner Harbor Lease. Chairman Johnson stated that the town has officially approved the agreement and waiting on Jeb Griffith to sign the agreement. Chairman Johnson also stated that the Town has been paid monthly for the Lease however; the Town has not cashed any of the checks pending the signing of the agreement.

Motion by Bob Crooks to approve the reading of the minutes of the last annual meeting, seconded by Dick Dahlby. Motion carried, all ayes.

- 4) **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Chairman Johnson stated the audit for 2011 is still not completed due to the Skipperliner agreement not being complete. Chairman Johnson also commented that even without the Skipperliner payments, the Town still came out ahead by \$13,484. Chairman Johnson stated that revenue from Skipperliner should be around \$150,000 and that \$730,000 in the State Pool and around \$200,000 in General Checking. Chairman Johnson stated we have \$400,000 in the Tax account. Chairman Johnson believes the Town is in good shape.

*Roni Brauer, 3034 Youngdale Ave*, commented about the Financial Report page 5 under Emergency Related Expenditures and the \$12,000 jump from the previous year. Chairman Johnson stated that would probably be from expenditures for the anticipated flood during the summer.

**5) UTILITY REPORT:**

Former Supervisor Wolfert reported on the Utility Operations for 2011. Bob Wolfert reported that in 2011, the Town was in the final stages of phase one station upgrades, part of a long term plan developed in Bobs first term. Bob Wolfert stated the primary objectives was improving safety for the maintenance crew, updating the aging equipment, and standardizing the equipment for training and replacement. Bob Wolfert stated that the Town's Utility Budget was as expected. Former Supervisor Wolfert thanked the Campbell voters, maintenance crew, office staff, volunteer organizations, Davy Engineering and fellow board members for the last 8 years.

**6) HEALTH, EDUCATION & WELFARE:**

Supervisor Post gave the report for health, education, and welfare. Supervisor Post stated that we are presently in our 3<sup>rd</sup> year of a 5 year contract with Richard's Sanitation. Supervisor Post also mentioned that the Town has signed our yearly recycling brochure agreement with Onalaska and other surrounding municipalities. Supervisor Post mentioned that the yard waste site seems to be going well and have not received any complaints.

Supervisor Post mentioned that this is the year that county zoning has changed some of their ordinances and the Town has the option now until 1/19/2013 to opt out of county zoning if so chose.

Supervisor Post mentioned again that the Boundary Agreement with the City of La Crosse will be up in 2025 and hopes that the Community will assist the Board with things necessary to make Town of Campbell independent.

Supervisor Post mentioned that she plans on staying with the same Insurance Carrier with the year to come. She mentioned that after review, there would be no benefit in changing carriers at this time.

Chairman Johnson commented on the way the area services the trash in the City of La Crosse and Onalaska. Chairman Johnson hopes the citizens of Campbell stay independent with our trash services as it may still be cheaper.

**7) STREETS & ROADS:**

Supervisor La Fond gave the 2011 Annual Streets and Roads Report. Supervisor La Fond stated that he would like to thank all those who were involved in preparation of the flood in 2011.

Supervisor La Fond stated that last summer was business as usual with mowing, chipping and street repair. Scott Construction did some crack filling which will be completed this spring. Supervisor La Fond also stated that the Town will again be accepting bids for more street projects this summer.

Supervisor La Fond mentioned that we traded in our old John Deere Tractor for a new model 3220. Supervisor La Fond stated that we signed into a two year lease and that John Deere dealer virtually financing for the Town.

Supervisor La Fond thanked everyone for their support this last year and would like to get even more unity this coming year.

*Dick Dahlby, 501 Olivet*, commented on the sand bags down behind Kwik Trip. Mr. Dahlby stated that he has received numerous complaints about the sand bags. Supervisor Post stated that she has sent a letter to the property owner and did not get a real good response. Supervisor Posts concerned that this may be a health concern due to containments' being trapped in the bags.

**8) RECREATION DEPARTMENT:**

Supervisor Wilder gave the 2011 Park & Recreation Report. Supervisor Wilder stated that repairs and improvements were made to Town Parks and the Community Center in 2011.

Supervisor Wilder stated that the Children's Summer Recreation Programs continue to be organized through the YMCA. The 2011 Summer Recreation Programs were held June 13 thru August 4, 2011.

Supervisor Wilder would like to thank the Town Maintenance and office personnel for their help and assistance this past year.

**9) POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

Chief Tim Kelemen was unable to attend for the reading of the Police Departments annual report.

Bob Crooks asked if there could be Police presence between 7-8:30AM and 3:30-4:45PM on Hinkley Road. Chairman Johnson stated that we will first attempt to have the Police move the speed machine over to Hinkley Road.

Comment was made for a sign on the corner of Olivet and Sharon stating a dead end. Chairman Johnson asked Steve Pintz to put up a sign; Mr. Pintz said he would get on it.

**10) FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

Fire Chief Nate Melby summarized the 2011 Fire Department Report. Chief Melby's report indicated the department's emphasis on training and equipment maintenance. The Department has also received grants to assist with the protective gear and needed equipment.

Supervisor Wilder asked Chief Melby to comment on the Fire Muster scheduled for this summer. Chief Melby stated that Saturday June 17, 2012 would be the Town of Campbell's first annual Fire Muster which is a traditional fire fighting competition dating back to the 1800's. The event will be held at Plainview Park. Chief Melby also hopes to incorporate a fire truck and car show with the event.

Supervisor Post commented about the week prior tornado alerts and if we were involved in them. Chief Melby stated that we were not and only a warning would you receive notification of said alert. And since the tornado alert was only a drill we would not have been notified.

#### **11) FIRST RESPONDERS:**

Deb Kendhammer was unable to attend for the reading of the First Responders annual report. Fire Chief Melby read her written report summarizing the First Responders activities in 2011.

Chief Melby added comments from Deb Kendhammer regarding a thank you for the Town of Campbell in the purchase of property on Lakeshore Drive; adding that the additional space will be greatly appreciated.

Chief Melby mentioned that on April 5<sup>th</sup>, the Campbell Fire Department and Campbell First Responders meet to discuss possible combination of both departments. A vote was taken and unanimously decided to join both departments.

#### **12) EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:**

Gary Simenson was unable to attend for the reading of the Emergency Management annual report. Fire Chief Melby read his written report summarizing the Emergency Management activities in 2011.

There were no questions.

#### **13) POLICE, FIRE, & PERSONNEL:**

Mitchell Brohmer was unable to attend for the reading of the Police, Fire, & Personnel annual report. Chairman Johnson stated that some of the by-laws need to be looked at and probably redone sometime this year.

#### **14) OLD BUSINESS:**

There was no old business.

**15) NEW BUSINESS:**

*A) Board motion to set May 9, 2012 for the Regular Town Board Meeting as the Primary Recall Election will be held May 8, 2012.*

Motion by Bob Crooks to set May 9, 2012 for the Regular Town Board Meeting seconded by Dick Dalby. Motion carried, all ayes  
Chairman Johnson asked for approval to move forward with the possible sale of land parcel #4-2103 to Mark Miller or any other potential buyer. Bob Wolfert commented about previous issues with said property and accessibility to the park.

Motion by Bob Crooks to give the Town Board authority to sell said property if everything checks out and Town deems correct. Motion carried, 1 nay.

**16) ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Bob Crooks to adjourn seconded by Helen Vitale. Motion carried, all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Chadwick Hawkins  
Clerk/Treasurer