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**TOWN OF CAMPBELL
LA CROSSE COUNTY, WISCONSIN
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2024 6:00 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 6:00 P.M.

2) Roll Call & Verify Public Notice:

Present: Chairman Dan Kapanke, Supervisor Bob Wolfert, Supervisor Lee Donahue, Supervisor Ralph Thoren, Supervisor Jason Stratman

Also Present: Clerk/Treasurer Brittany Fiksdal, Public Works Director Jason Hilton and Police Chief Trisha Stratman

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 Donahue/Supervisor Wolfert.
Motion carried 5-0.

Brian Pompeii, UW-L, introduced himself to the residents again. He would like to begin collecting interviews for a study on the impact of PFAS in the community. Mr. Pompeii left information in the lobby for the public.

Susan Adams, 1837 La Fond Ave., read letters from residents in support of naming the new dog park in memory of Allison Renee and her dog, Bella.

Bruce Becker, 3111 Lakeshore Dr., asked about various agenda items.

Jeff Foellmi, 1503 Caroline St., asked the Board to open public comment up on various items on the agenda.

4) General updates on DNR water advisory. (Donahue)

Supervisor Donahue provided updates on the current DNR water advisory. A full text update can be found at: <https://townofcampbellwi.gov/well-water-pfas-information/>

Motion to close public comment made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Stratman. **Motion carried 5-0.**

5) Consent Agenda: (All items listed are considered routine and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board member so requests, in which case the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and be considered on the Regular Agenda).

A) Approval of Minutes: Regular Town Board Meeting 05/14/2024, Board of Review 05/30/2024

B) Plan Commission Meeting Recommendations: None

C) Payment of Bills:

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Thoren. **Motion carried 5-0.**

6) Business:

A) Discussion and possible action on the location of a “Little Free Library.” (Donahue)

Sarah Adams approached the board and requested permission to build a “Little Free Library” and place it on Town property as part of her Eagle Scout project.

Motion to approve two “Little Free Libraries” to be placed on Town property with locations to be determined by Sarah Adams made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Wolfert. **Motion carried 5-0.**

B) Discussion and possible action regarding issuing fireworks permits to Town residents.

The Board discussed the risks of issuing fireworks permits with Chief Stratman.

Motion to not authorize fireworks permits for 2024 made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Stratman. **Motion carried 5-0.**

C) Discussion and possible action regarding the creation of an ordinance that would prohibit disorderly conduct towards police/emergency/town personnel. (Chief Stratman)

Chief Stratman informed that Board that she would like to update the current disorderly conduct ordinance to better protect the police, emergency and town personnel. The ordinance would also adopt state statute 947.01.

Motion to draft a disorderly conduct ordinance made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Thoren. **Motion carried 5-0.**

- D)** Discussion and possible action on employee handbook changes in regards to per diem rates.

The Board discussed the outdated rate reflected in the employee handbook. The update would change the rate to the current GSA per diem rate for the area.

Motion to approve the per diem to the GSA rate made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Wolfert. **Motion carried 5-0.**

- E)** Designation of “No Parking” signs on Sky Harbour Dr. (Thoren)

Supervisor Thoren explained that he would like to place no parking signs on the curves of Sky Harbour Dr. He explained the importance of ensuring that emergency vehicles can pass through that area.

Motion to approve the placement of “No Parking” signs on Sky Harbour Dr. made by Supervisor Thoren/Supervisor Donahue. **Motion carried 5-0.**

- F)** Approval of French Island Lions Club Run/Walk to be held August 24, 2024. (Clerk)

Motion to approve the French Island Lions Club Run/Walk to be held August 24, 2024 made by Supervisor Wolfert/Supervisor Stratman. **Motion carried 4-0.**
Supervisor Donahue abstained.

- G)** Approval of Pay Application #1 for the Pierce Avenue Reconstruction Project for Gerke Excavating in the amount of \$291,788.72. (Thoren)

Carson Hacket, Davy Engineering, was present to update the Board on the status of the project. Mr. Hacket reported that the project was on schedule with an estimated completion date in August. He gave the recommendation to approve the pay application.

Motion to approve Pay Application #1 for the Pierce Avenue Reconstruction Project for Gerke Excavating made by Supervisor Thoren/Supervisor Wolfert. **Motion carried 5-0.**

- H)** Approval of Change Order #2 for the Pierce Avenue Reconstruction Project for Gerke Excavating, Inc in the amount of \$3,003.00. (Thoren)

Carson Hacket presented the details which included pipe upgrades and lowering the storm sewer outfall and slope. The original budget for the project would cover the change order amount.

Motion to approve Change Order #2 for the Pierce Avenue Reconstruction Project made by Supervisor Wolfert/Supervisor Stratman. **Motion carried 5-0.**

- I)** Resolution No. 2024-2: A Resolution Authorizing an Application to the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands for a loan of \$290,000. (Thoren)

Supervisor Thoren presented the resolution to the Board. Carson Hackett, Davy Engineering, explained that the application to the Board of Commissioners would help cover engineering costs associated with adding a watermain to the Pierce Ave Reconstruction Project. The first payment would begin in 2025. Approving the loan now would help reduce costs in the future. The resolution and application were given to the Board prior to the meeting for review and were read into record at the meeting.

Motion to approve the application and Resolution 2024-2: A Resolution Authorizing an Application to the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands for a loan of \$290,000 on a roll call vote was made by Supervisor Wolfert/Supervisor Donahue. Chairman Kapanke – yes, Supervisor Wolfert – yes, Supervisor Donahue – yes, Supervisor Thoren – yes, Supervisor Stratman – yes. **Motion carried 5 yes – 0 noes.**

- J)** Resolution No. 2024-3: Compliance Maintenance Annual Report (CMAR) for 2023. (Wolfert)

Motion to approve Resolution 2024-3: (CMAR) for 2023 made by Supervisor Wolfert/Supervisor Thoren. **Motion carried 5-0.**

- K)** Replacement of scoreboard at Plainview Park. (Stratman)

The Board discussed the current condition of the scoreboard at Plainview Park and if there is a need for a working scoreboard based off of how many games are played there throughout the summer. Supervisor Stratman explained that the current park and rec budget would not allow the replacement this year. The Board is hopeful for donations to help cover the costs.

Motion made to approve a restricted fund for a new scoreboard at Plainview Park made by Supervisor Wolfert/Supervisor Thoren. **Motion carried 5-0.**

- L) Approval of Pay Application #1 for the SCADA Improvements Project for B&B Electric in the amount of \$157.50. (Wolfert)

Motion to approve Pay Application #1 for the SCADA Improvements Project made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Stratman. **Motion carried 5-0.**

- M) Review of the City of La Crosse Boundary Agreement. (Chair)

Chairman Kapanke requested to set a date to begin conversation about incorporation. Chairman Kapanke suggested having a special meeting on July 1.

Motion made to set a special board meeting date for July 1, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Wolfert. **Motion carried 5-0.**

- N) Discussion and possible action regarding naming rights for the dog park. (Stratman)

Supervisor Donahue began the discussion as the dog park is an Eagle Scout project. Supervisor Donahue spoke in memory of Allison Renee and her dog, Bella, who were killed from domestic violence in 2022. The park benches would have QR codes that would share Allison's story as well as resources for domestic violence.

Motion to approve naming the dog park in memory of Allison Renee and Bella made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Thoren. **Motion carried 5-0.**

- O) Ordinance No. 2024-4: An Ordinance Amending Section 8-21 (c. Uniform Dwelling Code) of the Town of Campbell Code of Ordinances Related to Building Codes.

Motion to approve Ordinance No. 2024-4 made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Stratman. **Motion carried 5-0.**

The Board took a five-minute recess at this time.

- 7) **CLOSED SESSION:** Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85 (1) (c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility

Motion to convene in Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85 (1) (c). on a roll call vote made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Stratman.

Chairman Kapanke – yes Supervisor Wolfert-yes Supervisor Donahue-yes Supervisor Thoren-yes Supervisor Stratman-yes **Motion carried 5 yes – 0 no (7:38 p.m.)**

A) Approval of candidate for the part-time office assistant position in the clerk’s office.

8) Reconvene in Open Session:

Motion to reconvene in Open Session made by Supervisor Wolfert/Supervisor Stratman. **Motion carried 5-0. (7:48 p.m.)**

9) Possible Action on Items Discussed in Closed Session

Motion to hire Brianna Bauch for the part-time office assistant position made by Supervisor Wolfert/Supervisor Stratman. **Motion carried 5-0.**

10) Adjournment of Meeting:

Motion to adjourn made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Wolfert. **Motion carried 5-0. (7:50 p.m.)**

Respectfully Submitted,
Brittany Fiksdal
Clerk/Treasurer