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**TOWN OF CAMPBELL
LA CROSSE COUNTY, WISCONSIN
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2021 6:30 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 6:30 P.M.

2) Roll Call & Verify Public Notice:

Present: Supervisor Mitch Brohmer (acting chair), Supervisor Lee Donahue, Supervisor Ralph Thoren, Supervisor Jason Stratman, Clerk/Treasurer Cassandra Hanan

Excused: Chairman Joshua Johnson

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

3) Special presentation to the Police Department from the Sara Rose Hougom Foundation.

Sherry Hougom presented a popcorn machine and plaque to Chief Gavrilos and thanked the department for all of their work in the community.

4) Public Comment: (limit to 5 minutes per person)

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

Darrell Schumacher, 445 Central Rd., spoke regarding drainage for the upcoming County B project.

Gary Simenson, 2631 Lakeshore Dr., spoke regarding drainage issues and property damage at 2631/2633 Lakeshore Drive.

Jeff Foellmi, 1503 Caroline St., asked the Town Board to open agenda items 6 (A), (C), and (J) to public comment.

Bruce Becker, 3111 Lakeshore Dr., asked the Town Board to open agenda items 6 (A) and (C) to public comment and asked questions regarding agenda items 6 (D), (F), and (H).

Margaret Larson, 1924 Nakomis Ave., spoke regarding La Crosse County's plan for redistricting.

Motion to close public comment made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Stratman. **Motion carried 4-0.**

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: Board of Review 08/09/2021, Regular Board Meeting 8/10/2021, Special Town Board Meeting 08/31/2021

B) Plan Commission Meeting Recommendations: None

C) Payment of Bills:

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda made by Supervisor Thoren/Supervisor Donahue. **Motion carried 4-0.**

6) Business:

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

Supervisor Donahue provided updates on the current DNR water advisory. Updates included: the extension of the water advisory, the feasibility study status, the ongoing site investigation by the City of La Crosse, the 2022 budget request from La Crosse County, and possible participation in the USGS nationwide tap water study.

Motion to open agenda item 6 (A) for public comment made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Stratman. **Motion carried 4-0.**

Jeff Foellmi, 1503 Caroline St., stated that he cannot afford to test his well and would like the DNR to pay for testing.

Bruce Becker, 3111 Lakeshore Dr., asked how long the DNR would continue to pay for bottled water.

Supervisor Donahue stated that the DNR has stated they will continue to work with the Town as long as the Town continues to work towards a long-term solution.

Motion to close public comment made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Stratman. **Motion carried 4-0.**

Not an action item

- B)** Approval of a Temporary Class “B” Retailer’s License for the French Island Lions Club for September 25, 2021 at the Community Center. (Clerk)

Motion to approve the Temporary Class “B: Retailer’s License for the French Island Lions Club for September 25, 2021 at the Community Center made by Supervisor Thoren/Supervisor Stratman. **Motion carried 3-0. Supervisor Donahue abstained.**

- C)** Possible revision of brush chipping guidelines for 2022. (Donahue)

Maintenance Foreman Steve Pintz presented proposed changes to the brush chipping guidelines.

Motion to open agenda item 6 (C) to public comment made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Thoren. **Motion carried 4-0.**

Bruce Becker, 3111 Lakeshore Dr., expressed concern regarding the ability of older residents to haul their brush to the yard waste site.

Motion to close public comment made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Stratman. **Motion carried 4-0.**

Motion to approve the brush chipping guidelines as presented made by Supervisor Thoren/Supervisor Stratman. **Motion carried 4-0.**

- D)** Discussion and possible action regarding short- and long-term disability insurance carriers for Town employees. (Donahue)

Supervisor Donahue and Clerk Hanan explained the benefits of the Wisconsin Public Employers’ Group Income Continuation Insurance program. Supervisor Donahue stated that the town would save over \$4,500 in 2022 if the Town Board decided to change disability insurance providers.

Motion to move forward with changing providers made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Stratman. **Motion carried 4-0.**

- E)** Establishing rules regarding power loading at the Town boat landings. (Stratman)

Supervisor Stratman explained that power loading is causing serious issues at the boat landings. He would like to see the ordinance changed to prohibit power loading and establish a tiered fine system for violations to include revocation of annual permits.

Motion to move forward with drafting amendments to the current boat launching ordinance made by Supervisor Stratman/Supervisor Donahue. **Motion carried 4-0.**

- F)** Discussion and possible action regarding legal representation for the Town. (Chair)

Motion to approach Brian Weber with Johns Flaherty & Collins regarding municipal representation made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Thoren. **Motion carried 4-0.**

- G) Approval of the formal request for specific Town PFAS costs to be included in La Crosse County's 2022 budget. (Chair)

Clerk Hanan presented the draft letter to include a budget request of \$369,246.88 for PFAS costs.

Motion to approve the draft letter made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Stratman. **Motion carried 4-0.**

- H) Approval of the 2022 MTU services agreement with the City of La Crosse. (Chair)

Motion to allow the 2022 MTU services agreement made by Supervisor Thoren/Supervisor Donahue. **Motion carried 4-0.**

- I) Request from the City of La Crosse regarding cost sharing for Nakomis Avenue outfall repairs. (Thoren)

Motion to hold this agenda item over until the City of La Crosse can provide more information made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Thoren. **Motion carried 4-0.**

- J) Discussion and possible action regarding properties in disrepair and special inspection warrants. (Donahue)

Supervisor Donahue explained that the Town has two homes that are in disrepair. She also stated that the Town has had issues with these homes for several years now.

Clerk Hanan outlined the process for special inspection warrants and raze orders.

Motion to open agenda item 6 (J) to public comment made by Supervisor Donahue/Acting Chairman Brohmer. **Motion carried 4-0.**

Jeff Foellmi, 1503 Caroline St., commented on other homes in the Town that he would like the Town Board to look into.

Motion to close public comment made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Thoren. **Motion carried 4-0.**

Motion to move forward with the special inspection warrant process made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Thoren. **Motion carried 4-0.**

- K) Approval of a Site Investigation Access Agreement with the City of La Crosse for further PFAS contamination monitoring at the Pierce Avenue right-of-way, south of Richmond St. (Donahue)

Supervisor Donahue stated that the draft agreement was not completed in time for the meeting as hoped.

No action taken

7. Adjournment of Meeting:

Motion to adjourn made by Supervisor Donahue/Acting Chairman Brohmer. **Motion carried 4-0. (8:25 p.m.)**

Respectfully Submitted,
Cassandra Hanan
Clerk/Treasurer