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**TOWN OF CAMPBELL
LA CROSSE COUNTY, WISCONSIN
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2015, 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 Terry Schaller, Supervisor Lee Weis, Supervisor Bruce Becker, Supervisor Pat Post, and Supervisor Robert Wolfert.

Also present were 20 Electors from the Town, Fire Chief Nate Melby & Maintenance Foreman Steve Pintz.

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:**

No one had comments or questions regarding the minutes of the last Annual Meeting.

Motion by Pat Post to approve the reading of the minutes of the last annual meeting, seconded by Robert Kiesau. Motion carried, all ayes.

- 4) **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Clerk/Treasurer Chadwick Hawkins, read the 2014 Financial Report into record. Clerk Hawkins reported revenues of \$1,783,983.44 for 2014, expenses of \$1,629,871.46, for a surplus in the 2014 budget of \$154,111.98. Clerk Hawkins stated that the Town has two CD's at Citizens Bank for the sewer utility in the amount of \$236,474.84. Clerk Hawkins also stated that the Local Government Investment Pool currently has \$918,182.35 in its General Fund and \$490,810.08 in its Utility Fund. Clerk Hawkins reported that the Town's general obligations debt is \$468,555.79. Clerk Hawkins did mention that the annual audit was incomplete at this time and that some of the numbers would change slightly.

Robert Kiesau, 2821 Bayshore Dr., asked about the Town's general obligation debt and why the Town would not use the cash on hand to pay off those debts. Clerk Hawkins stated that a good portion of cash would be used during the year for Town expenses.

5) UTILITY REPORT:

Supervisor Wolfert reported on the Utility Operations for 2014. Supervisor Wolfert stated that the Maintenance Department successfully completed inspection and jetting of all lines that were scheduled to be cleaned in 2014. Supervisor Wolfert also stated the Town is in the final phases of the original long term plan to upgrade all of the aging lift stations. Supervisor Wolfert emphasized the need for improved alarming and notification so the Town can complete a technology plan to network all lift station in 2015.

Bruce Becker, 3111 Lakeshore Drive, asked when Lift Station #6 was scheduled to be complete. Supervisor Wolfert stated that the scheduled completion date is June 30, 2015.

6) HEALTH, EDUCATION & WELFARE:

Supervisor Post gave the report for Health, Education, and Welfare. Supervisor Post stated that the contract with Richards Sanitation ended this year. Supervisor Post stated that the Town has extended the contract with Richards Sanitation for another year. Supervisor Post also stated that while she does not anticipate finding a cheaper refuse company, she thinks it is always important to do comparative pricing.

Supervisor Post mentioned that in 2014, the Town officially made some changes in regulations for detached accessory buildings in the Town Zoning Code. Supervisor Post asks that we remember that our boundary agreement with the City of LaCrosse will be up in a short 9 years and that doing our own zoning is just another example of being able to function independently.

Supervisor Post stated that in 2014, new siding was added to the Town Hall as well as new lettering. Supervisor Post also stated that the Town had hired a new cleaning service. Supervisor Post mentioned that she also plans on budgeting money next year to paint the siding on the Maintenance Building to match the color of the Town Hall.

Supervisor Post wanted to thank the Rober's Family for their generous yearly donation for the Library.

Supervisor Post stated that the insurance rates have remained stable and the carrier is very easy to work with. Supervisor Post stated that the coverage provided is very good and meets the needs of the Town.

Dick Dahlby, 501 Olivet St., wanted to thank Supervisor Post and the rest of the Board for the siding placed on the Town Hall.

7) STREETS & ROADS:

Chairman Schaller gave the 2014 Annual Streets and Roads Report. Chairman Schaller stated that the Town is in the process of purchasing a new Plow Truck this year. Chairman Schaller mentioned that the Town is borrowing money for some much needed streets and roads projects.

8) RECREATION DEPARTMENT:

Supervisor Weis gave the 2014 Park & Recreation Report submitted by outgoing Supervisor Wilder. Supervisor Weis stated that renovations of Spillway South Boat landing was completed and that cement ramps have been installed on Spillway North. Supervisor Weis stated minor repairs were made at various parks throughout the summer.

Supervisor Weis stated that for 2015, the French Island Lion's Club has committed funds to replace the steps, ramp and sidewalk at the Community Center.

Supervisor Weis stated that the Children's Summer Recreation Programs continue to be organized through the YMCA. Programs consist of Happy Bats, Baseball, Tennis, Kickball, Sports Shuffle, Swim Lessons, and Playground Program.

It was written that Supervisor Wilder would like to thank the Town Maintenance and Office personnel for their help and cooperation this past year.

9) POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Chairman Schaller read the 2014 Police Department Annual Report into record. Full details of this report are available in the Clerk's Office upon request.

10) FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Fire Chief, Nate Melby, read the 2014 Fire Department Report into record. Full details of this report are available at the Clerk's Office upon request. Chief Melby stated that the 2015 Campbell Firefighters Association Pancake Breakfast will be held on Saturday, May 9th and that tickets are available from a firefighter or in the Town Hall office.

11) FIRST RESPONDERS:

Fire Chief, Nate Melby, read the 2014 Emergency Medical Services report. Chief Melby stated that a total of 294 EMS calls.

Chief Melby would like to express his sincerest thanks for the support received from our community and the Town Board.

12) OLD BUSINESS:

No old business

13) NEW BUSINESS:

Robert Kiesau, 2821 Bayshore Dr., wanted to discuss the Town's Refuge and Recycling program. Mr. Kiesau would like to have a committee formed to gather information regarding recycling and possible options for the current Town's program.

Motion to approve a resolution to form a committee to gather information regarding recycling in the Town made by Robert Kiesau, 2821 Bayshore Dr., seconded by Mary Mallett, 2829 Bayshore Dr. **Motion Failed 2-14**

Andrew Jewell, 2830 Bayshore Dr., has a concern regarding an alley behind his house.

Motion to have Supervisor Becker take over the alley issue Mr. Jewell has from Supervisor Wolfert made by Andy Jewell, 2830 Bayshore Dr., seconded by Robert Wolfert, 904 Susan Pl. **Motion carried 10-0**

Pat Christie, 2737 Del Ray Ave., would like to see Town Board Meetings start at 7pm instead of 6pm.

Motion to move the Town Board Meetings from 6pm to 7pm made by Pat Christie, 2737 Del Ray Ave., seconded by Lee Weis, 100 Church Dr. **Motion Failed 8-13**

Laveta Molling, 203 Dorn St., has safety concerns regarding the Fire Department structure at Wardwell Park. Chief Melby stated that the Fire Department has taken steps to ensure safety of the equipment. Chief Melby asks that if anyone sees unauthorized users of the structure to contact the Police Department. Chief Melby also recommends to the Board that added lighting may also help.

Shirley Foellmi, 1511 Caroline St., also has the same concerns and thinks that the structure should be moved out of the park.

Andrew Jewell, 2830 Bayshore Dr., has concerns regarding late registration letters sent to owners for past due cat registrations. Mr. Jewell would like to have the late fee reduced from \$25 to \$10.

Motion to reduce the cat registration late fees from \$25 to \$10 and have the citation for failure to register after the deadline abolished made by Andrew Jewell, 2830 Bayshore Dr., and no second. **Motion Failed**

14) ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn made by Robert Kiesau, seconded by Lee Donahue. **Motion carried, all ayes. (7:12 P.M.)**

Respectfully submitted,

Chadwick Hawkins
Clerk/Treasurer