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**TOWN OF CAMPBELL
LA CROSSE COUNTY, WISCONSIN
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2016, 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 6:01 P.M.
- 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 16 Electors from the Town, Police Chief Andrew Gavrilos & 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 to dispense the reading of the minutes of the last Annual Meeting made by Bruce Becker, seconded by Jana Robinson. **Motion carried, all ayes.**

- 4) **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Clerk/Treasurer Chadwick Hawkins read the 2015 Financial Report into record. Clerk Hawkins reported revenues of \$2,491,528.80 for 2014, expenses of \$1,731,169.59, for a surplus in the 2015 budget of \$760,359.21. Clerk Hawkins stated that the Town has two CD's at Citizens Bank for the sewer utility in the amount of \$238,076.60. Clerk Hawkins also stated that the Local Government Investment Pool currently has \$1,069,549.41 in its General Fund and \$491,792.52 in its Utility Fund. Clerk Hawkins reported that the Town's general obligations debt is \$952,504.48. Clerk Hawkins did mention that the annual audit was incomplete at this time and that some of the numbers would change slightly.

- 5) **UTILITY REPORT:**

Supervisor Wolfert reported on the Utility Operations for 2015. Supervisor Wolfert stated that the Maintenance Department successfully completed inspection and jetting of all lines that were scheduled to be cleaned in 2015. Supervisor Wolfert also stated the

Town had two major projects in 2015; Lift station #6 upgrades and main line meter replacements on Clinton Street. Supervisor Wolfert reported \$608,156.77 in revenues and \$819,518.31 in expenses for 2015.

6) HEALTH, EDUCATION & WELFARE:

Supervisor Post gave the report for Health, Education, and Welfare. Supervisor Post stated that the contract with Richards Sanitation was done on December 31, 2015. Supervisor Post mentioned that the Town began contacting other waste haulers in the area for proposals for a new contract in September 2015. After much debate and public meetings, the Board decided to offer a contract to Harter's Quick Cleanup for future Town refuse collection in an effort to save money.

Supervisor Post mentioned that in 2015, the Town officially made some changes in regulations to the Subdivision Ordinance in the Town Zoning Code. Supervisor Post asks that we remember that our boundary agreement with the City of LaCrosse will be up on January 1, 2025.

Supervisor Post stated that in 2015, work on the Police Department involving mold and windows leaking were done as well as replacement of wallboard.

Supervisor Post stated that the Town changed the property insurance company to EMC Insurance with a huge savings of \$10,000.00. Supervisor Post stated that the coverage provided is very good and meets the needs of the Town.

7) STREETS & ROADS:

Supervisor Becker stated the Town secured a loan from the State for \$550,000.00 to reconstruct streets and control drainage problems on seven residential streets in the Town. Supervisor Becker would like to see a continuation of upgrades of the streets and drainage problems.

Supervisor Becker mentioned the replacement of a 1994 International Plow with a new 2015 International.

Supervisor Becker also mentioned his appreciation of all the work the Police, Fire and First Responders do for the Town.

Supervisor Becker also mentioned the Maintenance Department attended snow plow training in December as well as the Safety Seminar the City of La Crosse sponsors for all surrounding communities.

Supervisor Becker stated he would like to thank the voters in the Town of Campbell for their support and confidence to serve on the Town Board.

8) RECREATION DEPARTMENT:

Supervisor Weis stated maintenance was done on the spillway lake side boat landing included removing weeds, removing downed trees, and cleaning up of the parking areas. Supervisor Weis also stated that future projects include trying to acquire the boat landing just north of the Airport Beach and fix it up for general launching use.

Supervisor Weis mentioned that minor maintenance was done on the parks such as swing sets and jungle gym repairs. Supervisor Weis is also still trying to put together a group of people to help clean up the Frog pond behind Summit Elementary.

Supervisor Weis stated that the Children's Summer Recreation Programs will be transitioning to the Boys and Girls Club.

Supervisor Weis would like to thank the maintenance staff as well as the office personnel for their help and great ideas to help him accomplish what needs to get done with such little budgetary funding.

9) POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Chief Gavrilos read the 2015 Police Department Annual Report into record. Full details of this report are available in the Clerk's Office upon request.

10) FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Chairman Schaller read the 2015 Fire Department Report into record. Full details of this report are available at the Clerk's Office upon request. Chairman Schaller stated that the 2016 Campbell Firefighters Association Pancake Breakfast will be held on Saturday, May 14th and that tickets are available from a firefighter or in the Town Hall office.

11) FIRST RESPONDERS:

Chairman Schaller read the 2015 Emergency Medical Services report. Chairman Schaller stated that a total of 243 EMS calls were made in 2015.

12) OLD BUSINESS:

No Old Business

13) NEW BUSINESS:

Shirley Dahlby, 501 Olivet St., would like to see Town Board Meetings start at 7 P.M. instead of 6 P.M.

Motion to move the Town Board Meetings from 6 P.M. to 7 P.M. made by Tony Curtis, 600 Dauphin St., seconded by Shirley Dahlby, 501 Olivet St.

By show of hands, Motion carried 12-10

Tony Curtis, 600 Dauphin St., would like the Board to consider placing public comment at the end of the agenda in addition to the beginning of the meeting. Mr. Curtis also suggests limiting this comment period to two minutes or so.

Motion to add a public comment session to the end of the agenda made by Tony Curtis, seconded by Kelsey Henke, 2500 1st Ave. E.

By show of hands, Motion carried 15-5

Joe Weitekamp, 2603 Thomas St., wanted to thank Pat Post for her dedicated service and leadership on the Zoning & Planning Committee.

Jeff Foellmi, 1503 Caroline St., has concerns regarding Town Board members getting paid and being absent. Clerk Hawkins stated that State Statues does not allow for the Town to withhold member pay.

14) ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn made by Bruce Becker, seconded by Lee Weis.

Motion carried, all ayes. (7:00 P.M.)

Respectfully submitted,

Chadwick Hawkins
Clerk/Treasurer