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**TOWN OF CAMPBELL
LA CROSSE COUNTY, WISCONSIN
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 2018, 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 6:02 P.M.
- 2) **ROLL CALL & VERIFY PUBLIC NOTICE:** Present: Chairman Terry Schaller, Supervisor Kelsey Craig, Supervisor Mitch Brohmer, and Supervisor Robert Wolfert. Excused: Supervisor Ralph Thoren

Also present were 15 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 suspend the minutes from the meeting last year made by Bruce Becker, seconded by Mitch Brohmer. **Motion carried, all ayes.**

Motion to suspend the reading of the annual reports and if anyone has any questions to go ahead and ask made by Pete Winkler, seconded by Mathew Van Loon.
Motion carried 18-1

- 4) **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

A copy of the 2017 Financial Report is available in the Clerk's office. Clerk Hawkins reported revenues of \$1,899,783.50 for 2017, expenses of \$1,920,142.49, for a deficit in the 2017 budget of \$20,358.99. Clerk Hawkins reported that the Town has two CD's at Citizens Bank for the sewer utility in the amount of \$240,981.06. Clerk Hawkins also reported that the Local Government Investment Pool currently has \$1,138,961.53 in its General Fund and \$499,312.82 in its Utility Fund. Clerk Hawkins reported that the Town's general obligations debt is \$578,034.58. Clerk Hawkins did mention that the annual audit was incomplete at this time but no variations in the draft audit were expected.

5) UTILITY REPORT:

Supervisor Wolfert submitted the Utility Operations for 2017. The complete report is available in the Clerk's Office upon request.

Bruce Becker asked Supervisor Wolfert what projects were planned in the future. Supervisor Wolfert stated his plans were to complete the lift station controller upgrades. Mr. Becker also asked what this upgrade was expected to cost. Supervisor Wolfert stated that the controllers have already been purchased. Verizon network that is in place cost around \$220 per month. Supervisor Wolfert stated that there would be some additional wiring for approximately \$10,000 left for completion.

6) HEALTH, EDUCATION & WELFARE:

Supervisor Brohmer submitted the 2017 report for Health, Education, and Welfare. The complete report is available in the Clerk's Office upon request.

Bruce Becker inquired how much under budget for refuse for 2017. Supervisor Brohmer stated that he came in \$6300.00 under budget. Clerk Hawkins also stated that the Town had an additional 30 tons of recycling from the previous year. Mr. Becker also inquired about additional information regarding the Town's incorporation process. Supervisor Brohmer stated that he was able to get ahold of Eric from the State. Supervisor Brohmer states that he believes the biggest issue as a community would be an intervener or someone who may contest the incorporation. Supervisor Brohmer mentioned that he does have a bullet sheet listing all the requirements for incorporation. Lee Weis asked if there was anything that the Town needed to do regarding water. Supervisor Brohmer stated that Eric said the Town does not have to necessarily need to provide water to incorporate. Eric mentioned to model the Village of Richfield's incorporation as it closely resembles the Town of Campbell. Mr. Becker also inquired about the increase in insurance rates. Supervisor Brohmer stated that the insurance rates increase approximately \$2000.00. Ronnie Brauer had concerns regarding her neighbor building a garage and retaining wall in the rear yard and the water issues created.

7) STREETS & ROADS:

Supervisor Thoren submitted the 2017 report for Streets & Roads. The complete report is available in the Clerk's Office upon request.

Bruce Becker asked Maintenance Foreman Steve Pintz why there was no chip sealing done last year. Steve Pintz stated that the Town was getting ready to have it done and the company stopped chip sealing for the year due to the weather.

Lee Weis asked what projects are planned for 2018. Steve Pintz stated that he currently has a list of project totaling around \$100,000.00. The Town currently does around \$35,000.00 a year. Clerk Hawkins mentioned that the Town is looking into a CDBG Grant for a large road reconstruction project.

8) RECREATION DEPARTMENT:

Supervisor Craig submitted the 2017 report for the Recreation Department. The complete report is available in the Clerk's Office upon request.

Lee Weis asked Supervisor Craig if she could look into a location for a dog park. Supervisor Craig stated that she would potentially now look into a location.

Bruce Becker asked Supervisor Craig how much money was budgeted for this year's projects. Supervisor Craig stated she was budgeted for \$10,000. Supervisor Craig also stated that she has funds available that were budgeted for the YMCA Recreation program as well. Supervisor Craig mentioned that she was planning on doing some fund raising to fix some equipment at Wardwell Park.

9) POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Chief Gavrilos submitted the 2017 Police Department Annual Report. Full details of this report are available in the Clerk's Office upon request.

Chief Gavrilos stated that traffic citations were up over 50% from last year. Chief Gavrilos also stated that traffic accidents were down over 50% from last year. Chief Gavrilos mentioned that the K-9 unit was deployed over 100 times making over 30 arrests. The Police Reserve volunteered almost 630 hours last year. Chief Gavrilos also mentioned that the officers received almost 350 hours of training. And the Police Department is getting ready to hire a new officer.

10) FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Chief Melby submitted the 2017 Fire Department Report into record. Full details of this report are available in the Clerk's Office upon request. The 2018 Campbell Firefighters Association Pancake Breakfast will be held on Saturday, May 19th and that tickets are available from a firefighter or in the Town Hall office.

11) FIRST RESPONDERS:

Chief Melby submitted the 2017 Emergency Medical Services report. Full details of this report are available in the Clerk's Office upon request.

12) OLD BUSINESS:

No Old Business

13) NEW BUSINESS:

Maintenance Foreman Steve Pintz would like to see the Town find a solution regarding Stormwater. Supervisor Wolfert says there would be little support for a Stormwater Utility Tax. The Town will continue to look into alternate means for Stormwater control.

Bruce Becker asked if there was a master plan regarding the drainage issue around Del Ray Ave. Chairman Schaller stated that Supervisor Thoren has been working with engineers for an economical solution.

Lee Weis asked if anyone from the Town has been in contact with the Cleary's regarding development on the properties on Sky Harbour to help with tax levy restraints. Mr. Weis also asked if there is more information about vacating a park on 2nd Ave. E. and creating a buildable lot for sale.

14) ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn made by Mathew Van Loon, seconded by Lee Weis.

Motion carried, all ayes. (6:54 P.M.)

Respectfully submitted,

Chadwick Hawkins
Clerk/Treasurer