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**TOWN OF CAMPBELL
LA CROSSE COUNTY, WISCONSIN
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2021 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 Joshua Johnson, Supervisor Mitch Brohmer, Supervisor Lee Donahue, Supervisor Ralph Thoren, Supervisor Jason Stratman, Clerk/Treasurer Cassandra Hanan

Also Present: Police Chief Andrew Gavrilos, 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) Presentation of Citizen Service Awards

Chief Gavrilos presented Citizen Service Awards to Gary Simenson and Jeff Foellmi.

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

Motion to receive public comment made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Brohmer.
Motion carried 5-0.

Bruce Becker, 3111 Lakeshore Dr., stated that he would have liked the Town Board meetings to remain at the 6:30 p.m. start time and asked if the Board would open up agenda item 6 (A) for questions.

Tom Ready, 3048 Edgewater Ln., presented bills to the Board for repairs to his sewer lateral.

Motion to close public comment made by Supervisor Stratman/Supervisor Donahue. **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 Board Meeting 11/09/2021, 2022 Budget Hearing 11/18/2021

B) Plan Commission Meeting Recommendations: None

C) Payment of Bills:

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

6) Business:

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

Supervisor Donahue provided updates on the current DNR water advisory. Updates included: DNR public hearings for setting PFAS standards and the passage of the federal infrastructure bill. A full text update can be found at www.townofcampbellwi.gov

Not an action item

B) Brian Fukuda, La Crosse County Community Development Specialist, to discuss the La Crosse County Neighborhood Revitalization Acquisition and Demolition Grant Program.

Mr. Fukuda explained the program to the Board and outlined the steps necessary to include certain Town neighborhoods into the program.

C) Request from the City of La Crosse regarding cost sharing for Nakomis Avenue outfall repairs. (Held Over) (Thoren)

Supervisor Thoren stated that he and Chairman Johnson had met with Bernie Lenz, the Utilities Manager for the City of La Crosse. An agreement was made for the Town to contribute a portion of the costs of the repair relative to the number of residents living in the Town on Nakomis Avenue and Cherokee Avenue.

Motion to contribute \$7,806.43 towards the cost of repairs made by Supervisor Thoren/Supervisor Stratman. **Motion carried 5-0.**

D) Approval of election inspectors for the 2022-2023 term. (Clerk)

Motion to approve the list of election inspectors for the 2022-2023 term made by Supervisor Brohmer/Supervisor Donahue. **Motion carried 5-0.**

E) Approval of contract with Engelson & Associates, LTD to conduct financial audit for 2021. (Chair)

Motion to approve the contract with Engelson & Associates, LTD to conduct the financial audit for 2021 made by Supervisor Donahue/Chairman Johnson. **Motion carried 5-0.**

- F)** Approval of Ordinance #2021-6 An Ordinance to Create Chapter 12 Article III of the Town of Campbell Code of Ordinances Relating to Direct Sellers and Solicitor Licensing. (Clerk)

Motion to approve Ordinance #2021-6 made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Brohmer. **Motion carried 5-0.**

- G)** Approval of Ordinance #2021-7 An Ordinance to Repeal and Recreate Section 18-1 of the Town of Campbell Code of Ordinances Relating to Accumulation and Storage of Junk. (Clerk)

Motion to approve Ordinance #2021-7 made by Supervisor Donahue/Chairman Johnson. **Motion carried 5-0.**

- H)** Adoption of a new bond schedule to be effective January 1, 2022. (Gavrilos)

Motion to approve a new bond schedule to be effective January 1, 2022 as presented made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Stratman. **Motion carried 5-0.**

- I)** Purchase of pumps for Lift Station #10. (Brohmer)

Supervisor Brohmer stated that ordering the pumps ahead of schedule would save the Town approximately 9%.

Motion to move forward with purchasing the pumps for Lift Station #10 in the amount of \$18,304.00 made by Supervisor Brohmer/Supervisor Thoren. **Motion carried 5-0.**

- J)** Discussion and possible action regarding replacing controller system for lift stations. (Brohmer)

Supervisor Brohmer explained that there are problems with the current OPTO system. He is currently waiting on a quote for new controllers from USEMCO.

No action taken

- K)** Employee handbook revisions. (Chair)

Chairman Johnson explained the proposed changes including: changing the new employee probationary period from six months to twelve months, limiting the cash out of unused vacation days, and disciplinary action file retention periods.

Motion to approve the employee handbook revisions as presented made by Supervisor Stratman/Supervisor Donahue. **Motion carried 5-0.**

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 AND 19.85 (1) (e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.

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

Chairman Johnson – yes Supervisor Brohmer- yes Supervisor Donahue-yes Supervisor Thoren-yes Supervisor Stratman-yes **Motion carried 5 yes – 0 no (7:15 p.m.)**

- A) Discussion with maintenance employee regarding wage scale.
- B) Review of the draft of the water feasibility study.
- C) Review of the Water & Fire Service Agreement with the City of La Crosse in regards to the PFAS water contamination issue.

Lenny Hasz was invited into the Closed Session and later dismissed.

Town Attorney Brian Weber and Mike Davy (via Zoom) were invited into the Closed Session.

8) Reconvene in Open Session

Motion to reconvene in Open Session made by Supervisor Thoren/Supervisor Stratman. **Motion carried 5-0. (8:49 p.m.)**

9) Possible Action on Items Discussed in Closed Session

No action taken

10) Adjournment of Meeting:

Motion to adjourn made by Supervisor Donahue/Supervisor Stratman. **Motion carried 5-0. (8:50 p.m.)**

Respectfully Submitted,
Cassandra Hanan
Clerk/Treasurer

