

STATE OF WISCONSIN

Town of Silver Cliff

Marinette County

The Town Board of the Town of Silver Cliff, Marinette County, Town Board on October 8, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Silver Cliff Town Hall N11929 County Road I Silver Cliff, Wisconsin.

Minutes

1. Call to order & Pledge of Allegiance: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Bruce Weber, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
2. Roll call and verification of proper public notice: Present, Chairman Bruce Weber, Supervisor Dee Farley, Supervisor Jay Van Frachen, Treasurer Carol Kitchmaster, Constable Sabin Rosenbaum, Clerk Amy Vannieuwenhoven.
3. Motion to Approve the Agenda: Supervisor Dee Farley made a motion to approve the agenda, Supervisor Jay Van Frachen seconded the motion, motion carried.

Consider for approval or other action:

4. Approval of the meeting minutes for the September 10th Town Board Meeting and Budget Workshop #1, September 24th, 2024, and the October 1st, 2024, Special Town Board Meeting: Supervisor Dee Farley made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for the September, 10th, 2024 Town Board Meeting, the October 1st, 2024 Special Town Board Meeting and the September 24th, 2024 budget hearing. Motion seconded by Supervisor Jay Van Frachen; motion carried.
5. Guest speaker, DeShea Morrow, Marinette County District Attorney candidate: DeShea Morrow, candidate for the Marinette County Circuit Court Judge, introduced herself and addressed the board and the public in attendance.
6. Discussion and possible action to pass a borrowing resolution to complete the EMS building project: At the October 1st, 2024, Special Town Board Meeting, the board approved to apply for the State Trust Fund loan, in the amount of \$400k, to complete the building project of the EMS building. Part of the loan application process is for the town board to approve a resolution for the town to be part of the Local Government Investment Pool. Chairman Bruce Weber read the resolution provided by the State and includes adopting a resolution levying upon all the taxable property in the Town. A direct annual tax sufficient in amount to pay the annual installments of principal and interest, as they fall due all in accordance with Article XI, Sec. 3 of the Constitution and Sec.4.66(5). Wisconsin Statutes. Motion made by Dee Farley to approve the resolution, seconded by Supervisor Jay Van Frachen, motion carried.
7. Discussion: For informational purposes, Supervisor Jay Van Frachen is gathering bids to purchase a snowplow truck. This would be paid for via a grant, written free of charge to the town.
8. Marilyn Kowis, Recycle Attendant resignation effective November 30, 2024: Marilyn is retiring as of November 30th, 2024. The board commended and thanked Marilyn for a job well done.
9. Discussion and possible action to amend the Town Hall/Community Center rental agreement to address rental fees (for the town hall) and a refund policy: The town hall daily rental rate will be \$25.00 per day for residents/tax payors and \$35.00 per day for nonresidents/tax payors. Other minor updates were made to each rental agreement and a cancellation policy of 24 hours for each property was added. The Community Center: language added for a \$100.00 deposit (to be refunded after the event and the center is clean and free of damage). The center's rental fee will be \$100.00 per day for organizations and residents/tax payors and \$150.00 per day for nonresidents/tax payors. Motion to approve the above changes for each of the town hall and community center rental agreements, made by Supervisor Jay Van Frachen, Supervisor Dee Farley seconded the motion, motion carried.
10. Al Welsh – snowmobile club, trail update: Al Welsh gave updates about the closed trail behind the town hall and the ask to have snowmobile access. Al presented a trail map for the board to approve. Motion to approve the trail map made by Supervisor Dee Farley, seconded by Supervisor Jay Van Frachen, motion carried.

11. Reports / Updates presented:

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- a. Treasurer's report: checking \$25236.31; money market \$134725.73, state account \$77871.12, tax account \$91641.56 and the CDBG funds have a \$25000.00 balance to be used at the end of the EMS building project; interest \$8324.54. Some CDs are up for renewal at 4.5% (current rate 5%).
- b. Chairman report: recruiting for recycle attendant(s), newspaper advertisement ends October 18, 2024. The loan being applied for the EMS building will be at a rate of 5.25%, there is no payment due in 2025, the first payment will be due in 2026, and the amount will not go on the tax levy until 2026 tax collection. Interest due will be \$25000.00 and the town hopes to pay off the balance when/if state funds are allocated to the town and/or the Rural Mutual lawsuit. Progress is being made on the EMS building and any concerns are being addressed.
- c. Planning Commission: A subdivision ordinance is being worked on and when complete, will be part of a public hearing to approve.
- d. Supervisor Reports: Supervisor Farley is obtaining quotes for the wheelchair ramp located outside of the town hall. She received a complaint from a landowner of someone going onto their property. Supervisor Jay Van Frachen received a complaint of garbage not being picked up on Whispering Pines, JNS was contacted, and the garbage was picked up. Recycle dumpster is forthcoming.
- e. Fire Department: Quiet month, ok to call 911 if you see folks burning when they are not supposed to. The fire department did not receive the FEMA grant that was applied for.
- f. Marinette County Supervisor, Chris Norton; not present.

Vouchers & Payment of Bills Check #9900 to Check #9940. Motion to approve check numbers 9900 to 9940 made by Supervisor Dee Farley, seconded by Supervisor Jay Van Frachen, motion carried.

Items intended for future meetings:

Public Comment: Sue Victoreen clarified if the snowplow grant would be for the full amount of the truck?

Yes. Dan Ewert suggested getting a quote from Western Star Trucks.

Closed Session: None

Motion to adjourn: Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Supervisor Dee Farley, seconded by Supervisor Jay Van Frachen, motion carried 7:53 pm

Amy Vannieuwenhoven, Clerk-Town of Silver Cliff

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