

Town of Worcester
Regular Town Board Meeting
June 20, 2023

Call to Order – Chairman Paul Precour called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Worcester Town Hall. Present were Supervisor Jim Michler and Clerk/Treasurer Roberta Reese. Supervisor Jeremy Pesko was absent. There were 5 visitors.

Pledge of Allegiance – Was recited.

Roll call – Paul – present; Jeremy – absent; Jim – present.

Approve minutes from May 16, 2023, Regular Town Board meeting – Motion by Jim Michler, second by Paul Precour to approve the minutes from the May 16, 2023, regular town board meeting. Motion carried.

Approve minutes from May 16, 2023, Special Town Board meeting – Motion by Jim Michler, second by Paul Precour to approve the minutes from the May 16, 2023, special town board meeting. Motion carried.

Approve minutes from May 22, 2023, Special Town Board meeting – Motion by Jim Michler, second by Paul Precour to approve the minutes from the May 22, 2023, special town board meeting. Motion carried.

Chair report – Still awaiting confirmation in writing for the Chequamegon roads project and expect this by the end of June; Aabujjiwani-Ziibiinsing Creek Bridge project contract has come through from the state and will be signed after review by town’s attorney; still reviewing fire call claims and ability to collect from state trunk fire call program; American Asphalt hopes to start blacktopping Old 13 Road after July 4.

Clerk/treasurer report – General checking \$143,636.38; BCMMA \$37,966.10; Bridge fund - \$195,178.52. Received recycling grant of \$6,014.71. Still looking for interim clerk/treasurer.

Road crew report – Installed packer on grader, replaced culvert on East Solberg Lake Road; prepping Old 13 Road for blacktopping; reclaiming roads and hauling gravel; starting mowing ditches.

Transfer station report Items for discussion and possible action – Planning to dig test holes at transfer station to assess for gravel and sand.

Crack sealing estimates – Neil and Paul reviewed roads with a representative from SealTech, Inc. who provided three different crack repair options available. SealTech, Inc. is the only company who provided an estimate. Discussion on budget for crack sealing and usefulness of crack sealing methods to extend blacktop life. Motion by Jim Michler, second by Paul Precour to authorize spending of \$24,955 to clean and fill cracks on Woodlawn Lane, Cranberry, and Springs Drive from railroad tracks to Worcester; Poly Flex patch on Woodlawn Lane, Cranberry, and Springs Drive from railroad tracks to Worcester; and clean and fill with Poly on Dama Road. Motion carried.

Picnic license for Price County Rodeo – Reviewed application for picnic license for Price County Rodeo. Paperwork is in order and fee has been paid. Motion by Jim Michler, second by Paul

Precour to approve the picnic license for the Price County Productions d/b/a Price County Rodeo. Motion carried.

Renewal Alcohol Beverage License Applications for 2023-2024 – Reviewed alcohol beverage renewal license applications for Midway Tavern, Friends of Fred Smith, Sunset Haven Resort, Timber’s Road House LLC, John’s 3 Mile Bar & Grill LLC, Trailside Bar & Grill LLC, Comfort Cove Resort. All paperwork is order with some fees still needing to be paid. Motion by Jim Michler, second by Paul Precour to approve alcohol beverage license applications subject to payment of fees. Motion carried.

Additional dumpster for recycling center – Reviewed pricing from GFL, Inc. for additional dumpster for recycling center mainly for large volume of bulky furniture items. Discussion on potential of raising fees to cover this additional cost and this will be discussed at a future meeting. Motion by Jim Michler, second by Paul Precour to prove additional dumpster for recycling center. Motion carried.

Maple Crest subdivision public access point – Individual who was interested in a public access point has backed out of purchasing property so there is no longer an issue.

Resolution regarding Wisconsin 2023 Senate Bill 289 and 2023 Assembly Bill 292 – Assessor Mike Schanutz has forwarded a resolution being proposed by the assessor’s association regarding legislation being proposed that would put different requirements on assessors with the main concern being the requirement of e-mail notification of changes if e-mail addresses are filed with the assessor. Discussion regarding these potential changes. No action taken.

Price County Zoning notification of special exception permit application by Shane Soderstrom for N9904 Peninsula Drive – Special permit application reviewed for building a garage 49 feet to the centerline of Peninsula Drive. No action taken.

Price County Zoning notification of conditional use permit application by Granberg Brothers Inc. for a gravel pit within the SE1/4 SE1/4, Sec. 29 T37N R1E. – Conditional use permit application reviewed. Supervisor Jeremy Pesko provided a written statement on the condition of Liberty Lane and potential concerns regarding additional traffic, which will be forwarded on to Price County Zoning for the public hearing meeting on Thursday, June 29, 2023, at 9:15 a.m.; however, there was a consensus that the addition of the gravel pit would be of benefit to the township.

Price County Zoning notification of reclamation plan by Granberg Brothers Inc. for gravel pit located within the SE1/4 SE1/4, Sec. 29 T37N R1E – Reclamation plan reviewed. No action taken.

Approve vouchers – Motion by Jim Michler, second by Paul Precour to approve vouchers #16933 through 16956 and funds transfer in the amount of \$23.94 for a total of \$39,825.40. Motion carried.

Adjourn – Motion by Jim Michler, second by Paul Precour to adjourn meeting at 8:01 p.m. Motion carried.

Roberta Reese, Clerk/Treasurer