

The Town of Sturgeon Bay called its monthly Town Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 7, 2022 at the Arle Memorial Hall (Former Knights of Columbus Hall), Chairman Dan Cihlar presiding.

Roll call indicated the following Board members present: Chairman Dan Cihlar, Supervisor Carol Schuster, Supervisor Paul Skup, Treasurer Lynne Gustafson, and Clerk Nancy Anschutz.

Meeting Minutes from the January 2022 meeting were read. A motion was made by Chairman Cihlar, 2nd by Supervisor Skup, to approve the minutes as read.

Treasurer Gustafson gave the following report:

Checking Account	\$1,105,542.50
Savings	\$66,045.56 **

** Includes payment from American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of \$43,437.45

Supervisor Skup made a motion to approve the Treasurers Report, 2nd by Chairman Cihlar.

Old Business:

Roads/Signs :

Chairman Cihlar contacted SBU about the two logs left on Silverdale right-of-way, between Cty. U and Shiloh Rd. The utilities promised the logs would be removed within two weeks.

Dead Ash trees and miscellaneous brush has been cut on Big Creek Road.

Call received there is a pothole on Smejkal Road. Will ask the County to fill the pothole.

Reported the new culvert on Mount Olive is sinking. Will need to be corrected when the weather improves.

Zoning/Permit Issues – None

DC Humane Society – No activity report.

Clerk Anschutz reported the public records request made by Peter Bernegger has been completed and payment received.

New Business:

Jason Schoeffler, the new agent from Rural Mutual Insurance visited and reviewed the towns current coverages. One change he will make is the removal of a past assessor.

Hugh Zettel, a candidate for District 14th County Board Seat (north side of our town), visited and introduced himself. He will be on the April 5th ballot.

Clerk Anschutz reminded the Board effective 2022, one person from the Board must attend Board of Review training each year in lieu of every two years. Options for this year's training are attending a District Meeting or purchase a video to view. The Board agreed to purchase the video when it becomes available at an estimated cost of \$45.00. This will give all board members the opportunity to participate in the BOR training. Video expected to be released sometime in March.

Effective January 1, 2022, room tax increased to 8%. The Town will be required to reimburse DC Tourism Zone for expenses. Our estimated payment is \$3,510.00 and we can expect to be billed in June this year, but once the new system is in place we will be billed each year in January or February.

A virtual/zoom meeting will be held on February 8 with Charter/Spectrum regarding a shared application for Broadband expansion. Board members and BB committee members encouraged to participate. This would be a shared application with five towns, including Clay Banks, Forestville, Sevastopol, Jacksonport and Town of Sturgeon Bay.

A letter from Richard Propsom, dated January 16, 2022, was reviewed and discussed. Mr. Propsom feels the Town is responsible to have structures and objects removed from an unimproved right-of-way in Cromell's Grove. Mr. Propsom provided the Board with a draft "*Order for the Removal of Obstruction in Case of Encroachment*" for Dretzer Boulevard in Cromell's Grove. The Board requested Clerk Anschutz reach out to Attorney Randy Nesbitt for a legal opinion.

County Board (CB) Update - Representative Sue Kohout reported on the latest County Board activity, including:

- Resolution proclaiming 2nd Saturday in May as International Migratory Bird Day;
- Submit grant to help upgrade pay station at Robert Carmody County Park for boat launching;
- Apply for funds to aid counties for snowmobile purposes;
- 220K grant to help control runoff to the Ahnapee River;
- Hire two nurses for the public health dept to assist overload of work due to the pandemic;
- Approve new position for a County Broadband Program Coordinator;
- Accept 35k grant to update web conferencing and technology for all eight library systems.

Public Discussion –

Glen Viste asked why signs have been removed on west end of Silverdale Road on property owned by the gravel pit. Chairman Cihlar will try to get an answer.

Other Correspondence – The latest incident report from the Sheriff's Office for Sept through Dec. 2021 was given to the Board by Clerk Anschutz

Following the review and payment of bills, a motion was made by Supervisor Skup, 2nd by Supervisor Schuster, to adjourn at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Anschutz, Town Clerk

