

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS
TOWN OF CRESCENT
MINUTES FOR
MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2023
6:00 P.M., CRESCENT TOWN HALL**

Board Members Present: Joel Knutson, Chair; Kyla Waksmonski, Supervisor; Mike Pazdernik, Supervisor; Tracy Hartman, Clerk; Carla Fletcher, Treasurer.

Call to Order: Chairman Knutson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Crescent Town Hall. The meeting has been properly posted and distributed in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting law and the facility is handicap accessible. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Pazdernik to approve the agenda. Seconded by Waksmonski. All aye. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Waksmonski to approve the minutes from the Monthly Town Board Meeting of December 8, 2022. Seconded by Pazdernik. All aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Waksmonski to approve the minutes from the Monthly Town Board Meeting of December 16, 2022. Seconded by Pazdernik. All aye. Motion carried.

Fifteen Minutes of Public Discussion – None

John Graettinger – Indian Hill Trail – Strongly opposes the proposed ORV trail. Expressed concern with the sound that is already coming from the gun club and currently the town property trees provide a buffer for the sound.

Greg Fielhauer – S. River Road – Spoke against the proposed ORV park. Fielhauer presented a petition against the proposed ORV park. Fielhauer expressed concern over the additional sound that an ORV park will present. Fielhauer spoke regarding his concerns with the ORV park.

Maryann Newman – S. River Road – Asked how the ORV park can be placed on the agenda in the future.

Thomas Geisler – Indian Hill Trail – Expressed concern with the ORV park and asked who makes the decision regarding the approval of the ORV park. Knutson stated that River Road is a public road and open to all residents.

Terry Kuester – Sports Club Road – Expressed concern with the noise and the proximity to the homes.

Connie Anderson – Thanked the town crew for the great sand job this morning.

Town Chair Report –

- PFAS Update – Knutson reported that the town continues to provide water to the two families that tested in excess of the PFAS Threshold. Knutson stated that in the past he has delivered remarks in criticism of the entities that are handling this issue and in September the DNR issued letters to the entities involved that they are in violation of the orders regarding the PFAS. Knutson reported that the Town of Stella is now also dealing with PFAS and he has plans to reach out to their board. Kuester reported that his well was tested and is above the recommended level and he has received no assistance from the City with water. Fielhauer asked how he would get his water tested and Knutson suggested that he contact the city to get his well sampled.
- Lumberjack grant status – Knutson reported that next week he will be presenting the roadside pollinator grant request.
- DOT TAP & BIL project update – Knutson reported that the town is looking for revised estimates for the next set of road grants. Knutson is working on a few different areas and is gathering estimates and information for submission. Knutson is working with the DOT to make sure the RFP's for the TAP grant meet federal requirements. Knutson has reached out to Cassian and they have expressed interest in working with the town on the TAP grant.

Treasurer's Report - A written report was given by Treasurer, Carla Fletcher.

Library Report - Update on the library board meeting and upcoming programs being offered at the library – None

County Board Supervisor's Report - Review of County Board meeting, Administration Committee meeting, Public Works Committee meeting, Conservation and UW-EX Education Committee, Technology Committee meeting and Open Meetings Complaint – A written report was received from County Board Supervisor Thome.

Fire Department Report and Approval of Purchases -

- Monthly Call update, purchases update, training update, fundraiser update – Mahner reported that there were six calls in the month of December and reviewed the calls. Mahner reported that there were 64 calls during 2022 and thanked the members for their dedication. Mahner reported that they are looking at what equipment needs there may be in the future what they are looking at fundraisers for 2023. Mahner gave an overview of future training. Mahner reported that there are two more members that have completed enough training to go into hot zones and will be trained on the equipment now.

First Responder's Report and Approval of Purchases – Wincensten reported that they are starting refreshers for the 8 members and there were 148 calls during the last year.

Town Road Crew Report

- Road Projects update, update on vehicle repairs and shop repairs – Gerdes reported that they have been keeping the roads as clear as possible and today they went out to try to clear the slush as it has warmed up. Gerdes stated that they have been cleaning up hanging trees due to the ice. Knutson encouraged residents to let the board know when there are areas of concern.
- Crescent School parking lot/town culvert – Knutson reported that there have been conversations regarding the salt at the school and it appears that there has been some movement towards getting that fixed.

- Drifting/ice prevention along cutover roads – Knutson stated that there have been concerns with drifting on some of the cutover roads and they have begun looking at snow fencing, however, there are questions on whether that would help in the areas that are a concern.
- Late arrival of new plow truck – Knutson reported that the new plow truck has arrived and there are some areas of concerns. Knutson plans to approach Truck Equipment to attempt to negotiate the final price due to the lateness of the delivery and the issues with the truck. Gerdes has worked with Truck Equipment to get issues resolved.

Town Plan Commission Report – Pazdernik reported that the TPC met in December and finalized the objectives for the Town Comprehensive Plan. Pazdernik reported that there is a meeting scheduled for January 18th and the NCWRPC will be present.

- Rec Committee & comprehensive plan (town park, trails, lake dock access, ORV) – Knutson reported that typically the Town Comprehensive Plan addresses rec areas and Knutson gave an overview of recreational areas in Crescent. Knutson would like to see the TPC commission look at the recreational areas as part of the Comprehensive Plan.

Uniform Dwelling Inspector’s Report - None

Squash Lake District Report – Peggy Jensen gave an oral and written report to the board. Jensen encouraged members to go to the website to review meeting agendas, minutes, and events.

Crescent Lake District Report – A written report was received by Maria Rudesill.

Review Correspondence – Nick Gorenson reported that he is currently researching grants available and equipment options for the proposed park. Gorenson has meetings setup with parents in the community that may have children that would benefit from the park. Gorenson reported that Tomahawk is also looking into an all abilities park and he has reached out to them. Knutson gave an overview of what the intention of the park is.

Operator’s License Applications – None

Driveway Application – None

Review Correspondence – None

Approval of Vouchers/Adjourn - Motion by Knutson to approve vouchers as submitted and adjourn at 7:11 p.m. Seconded by Pazdernik. All aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Tracy Hartman
Municipal Clerk