

# TOWN OF EATON

## MANITOWOC COUNTY

316 W MAIN STREET

VALDERS, WI 54245

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Richard Christel, Chairman; Joe Riesterer, Supervisor; Lewis Schema, Supervisor; Paulette Vogt, Clerk; Pamela Schneider, Treasurer

### TOWN BOARD MEETING 09-09-2024

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting of the Town of Eaton was called to order by Chairman Rick Christel at 6:30 p.m., Monday, 9-9-2024 at the Eaton Town Hall. The Pledge Allegiance to the flag was recited by all.

**MEETING NOTICES:** Meeting notices were posted at the Eaton Town Hall, and the Town Website timely.

**ROLL CALL:** Rick Christel, Chairman; Joe Riesterer, Supervisor, Lewy Schema, Supervisor, Paulette Vogt, Clerk, Pam Schneider, Treasurer, and Ben Schema, Town Constable, were in attendance along with Randy Knier and Road Superintendent Craig Zipperer.

**AGENDA:** The agenda had been emailed previously. Supervisor Schema made a motion to accept the agenda, and Supervisor Riesterer 2<sup>nd</sup> the same, motion carried unanimously.

**MINUTES:** The minutes from the 8-12-2024 meeting had been emailed to the Board previously. Supervisor Riesterer made a motion to accept the minutes. Supervisor Schema 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC INPUT:** A resident questioned about being able to get more information about the free electric disposal day at the recycling center to handout. Treasurer Schneider will take care of getting more handouts for this. Another resident added that maybe more clarification about the type of plastics that are being disposed in the dumpster would be helpful as there has been a lot of plastics that do not qualify for being a recyclable item and are being discarded in the dumpster anyway. The board noted that we will check with the County as to the type of plastics they are accepting from the towns. With no other public input, Chairman Christel closed public input

**ROAD SUPERINTENDENT:** Road Superintendent Craig Zipperer reported on the many jobs he has been doing this month. Craig added that he has also been doing some patching, cutting some trees limbs around the cemetery, and getting the roads ready for center stripping. A matter was also brought up concerning Eaton Road in which a culvert could be made longer for the plow truck to turn around in. This matter will be put on next month's agenda.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The treasurer's report had been emailed to the Board previously. A motion was made by Supervisor Schema to accept the treasurer's report and Supervisor Riesterer 2<sup>nd</sup> the same. Motion carried unanimously.

**CONSTABLE:** Constable Ben Schema reported that there was a call this month about a resident's neighbor's dog. Constable Schema advised the resident to talk to the neighbor about the matter.

**ASSESSOR:** No report.

## TOWN BUSINESS:

**CEDAR CORP - BIDS:** Mr. Kiviniemi from Cedar Corp explained the sealed bids that had been received at the meeting on August 27, 2024. There were 3 bids for the Niles Road Project. Namely: Vinton Construction, Northeast Asphalt, and MCC Inc, out of Appleton. Vinton Construction was the low bidder. After some discussion, a motion was made by Supervisor Schema to accept the Vinton Construction Company bid for the Niles Road Improvements, WisDOT 2024-2025 LRIP TRIS Program Project in the amount of \$954,048.02. Supervisor Riesterer 2<sup>nd</sup> said motion. Motion Carried unanimously. Chairman Christel then signed the necessary paperwork given by Mr. Kiviniemi for this project.

Mr. Kiviniemi reported that the bills for payment for the culvert work and the roadway patching could be expected sometime in November and the bulk of the rest of the road work payment would be in possible monthly payments expected to start sometime in June thru September or October

**EATON ROAD DITCHING:** After some discussion, a motion was made by Chairman Christel to have Ross Excavating do the ditching from Hwy 151 to Danner Road for the total amount of \$2,500. Supervisor Schema 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**UPDATE ON SHOP AND TOWN HALL LIGHTS:** After some discussion, and with no other bids received, a motion was made by Supervisor Schema to accept Option 2 (Shop) - Retro fit existing 25-8' florescent fixtures with LED ballast bypass bulbs for a cost of \$2,842.00, and Option Hall/Meeting Room – Replace 20 existing 2x4 florescent lay in fixtures with 20 new LED flat panel lay in fixtures for a cost of \$2,816.00 with Schnell Electric. Supervisor Riesterer 2<sup>nd</sup> said motion. Motion carried unanimously. The remainder of the town's ARPA money will be used for this project.

**TRUCK 552:** After some discussion, it was decided that the road superintendent will set up a notice for sealed bids for the truck to be put in the Valders Journal.

**LAWN MOWER:** Chairman Christel and Superintendent Zipperer will work on putting an ad on Facebook marketplace to sell the town's z-turn lawnmower. The cost will be advertised for \$500 or best offer.

**SET PRE-BUDGET AND BUDGET:** After some discussion, the Pre-Budget date was set for October 21, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. and the Budget Meeting was set for November 11, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

**APPROVE VOUCHERS:** Supervisor Schema made a motion to approve the vouchers for July. Supervisor Riesterer 2<sup>nd</sup> the same. Motion carried.

**MEETING REPORTS:** Chairman Christel reminded everyone that the Town is hosting the WTA meeting to be held on September 19, 2024 at Meats. Chairman Christel has taken care of the food ordering for this meeting.

Chairman Christel reported that there will be a Valders Fire and Rescue meeting on September 26, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. The Clerk will post said meeting for the board.

**CHAIRMAN UPDATES:** Chairman Christel reported that Paul Binversie called him and said that if anyone in the town wanted their phragmites sprayed, they should call Melissa Curran at 920-841-1072 by the end of September to get on the list for spraying.

After some discussion, Chairman Christel stated that a matter of a signed book for the recycling center should be put on the agenda for next month.

Another item for next month's agenda to be discussed are dead-end roads and possible action.

**CLERK'S REPORT:** The clerk will be attending the Fall Workshop virtually due to a conflict with the date of the meeting being held in Green Bay. .

There being no further discussion, Supervisor Schema made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Riesterer 2nd the same. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Paulette Vogt, Town of Eaton Clerk