

## TOWN OF WEST POINT

Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.84, the Town Board of the Town of West Point held their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, October 8, 2020 at the West Point Town Hall and via Zoom. The meeting was published in the Lodi Enterprise, the Star News, posted in the three designated places in the Town and on the Town's website.

The Town Board meeting was called to order by Ashley Nedeau-Owen -Town Chairman, at 7:02 p.m. The Town Board members present at the Town Hall were: Ashley Nedeau-Owen - Town Chairman, Renee Nair - 1<sup>st</sup> Supervisor, Gordon Carncross - 2<sup>nd</sup> Supervisor, Karmin Enge - 3<sup>rd</sup> Supervisor, and David Lendved - 4<sup>th</sup> Supervisor. Also present were Taffy Buchanan - Town Clerk. Absent was Lonna Zeman - Town Treasurer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

A motion was made by Renee Nair to approve the agenda moving "Lodi Area Fire Department Budget" and "Public Access" up on the presented agenda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by David Lendved – motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Input – None

Copies of the September 10, 2020 Town Board Meeting minutes were emailed to each Town Board member prior to the meeting for their review. A motion was made by Renee Nair to approve the September 10, 2020 Town Board Meeting minutes with a minor correction, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Karmin Enge - motion carried unanimously.

Bobby Annen, LAFD Chief, presented the operating budget for 2021. The budget went up 3% from last year. A motion was made by Gordon Carncross to approve the 2021 operating budget as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Renee Nair – motion carried unanimously. Bobbie Annen also presented the Capital Budget and discussed the need to replace Engine 10 and the purchase of land for a new fire station. The approximate cost for the for the Town of West Point's share of the down payment of the purchase of a new engine to replace Engine 10 would be between \$11,000.00 and \$22,000.00. A motion was made by David Lendved to add a budget item of up to 20% of West Point's share of the purchase of the new engine, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Renee Nair – motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Lonna Zeman had prepared the following report: General Fund as of September 30, 2020 - \$420,285.99; Park Fund \$0.00 (Park Fund was used for new basketball court at Selwood Park); Historical Society is \$4,144.89; and Savannah Tree is \$1,697.91 is in a 1-year CD (matures 5/24/21). The Town Treasurer and Town Clerk reconciled the bank accounts for the month of September.

At the July Town Board meeting the Town of West Point gave Tim Bindl and other Selwood residents permission to improve the public access in Selwood to make it more assessable at their own expense and risk. Tim Bindl looked at the access and was going to put in large rock for erosion control and drainage and then put smaller rock on top. Andy Zimmer, Town Engineer, looked at the public access and felt the 5" rock will provide ravine stability and reduce further erosion. There is a division of the residents that live in the area, some of them are against the improvement and some are for it. The Town owns the property that is the "public access" but it does not reach the lake it connects to WP&L property which is lake frontage. Columbia County have been contacted and some permits would be needed to do any improvements and they need to have a "plan" to show the county. Gordon Carncross stated he walked down the public access and did not agree with Andy's assessment. David Lendved felt the 5" rocks will slow the water down but the gravel will just make it sheet across. Renee Nair also walked the public access and felt "the plan" is important to know before going forward. Darlene Pelzer stated she is against improving the public access because she feels it should stay natural and is concerned about changing anything because of all the water that runs through there and the liability issues of people using the path and WP&L's property that people would also have to use in order to get to the water. At this time WP&L has stated they want all work to stop until they see "the plans" and can look them over.

Correspondence – The Town received "draft" minutes from the Sauk Fire District Commission's on September 16, 2020. Paul Benesh sent an email to the Town Chair to start a discussion of implementing the town roads as ATV/UTV routes. The Town Treasurer will not be running for re-election in April 2021 and has put together information explain her job to be shared with interested residents.

The bills were reviewed by each town board member prior to the town board meeting. A copy of the bills, deposits, budget for 2020 were given to each

town board member for their information. A motion was made by Ashley Nedeau-Owen to take \$10,170.58 from 53312 Snowplowing and move \$6,512.58 to 53101 Engineer Roads, \$3,298.34 to 53311 Hwy. Maint/ Repair and \$359.66 to 53317 Hwy Signing, then take \$500.00 from Treasurer Expense and \$150.59 from 51403 Clerk Expense and move \$623.99 to 51441 Election Expense and \$26.60 to 51600 Town Hall Main / Utility, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Renee Nair – motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by David Lendved to approve the bills as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> Karmin Enge - motion carried unanimously.

The Barta / Schoepp Road project was completed and the Clerk received the recommendation from Andy Zimmer for full payment to Scott Construction. The total cost of the work done was \$101,739.82 of that amount the portion for the Town of West Point was \$73,680.90 and Roxbury was \$28,058.92. The clerk will send a copy of the bill to the Town of Roxbury.

#### Reports:

Columbia County Report – no report

Lodi Fire Commission – David Lendved reported the Fire Commission adopted the budget for the municipalities to adopt.

Sauk Fire District – David Lendved reported the Sauk Fire purchased a new boat and they are looking into purchasing a new ladder truck.

Sauk Prairie Ambulance – no report

Lodi EMS Commission – no report

Plan Commission – Gordon Carncross reported the Plan Commission held a public hearing and discussed the Bender lots of Golf Road, and looked at the possibility of a development right for Bartnick's on Morter Road, and approved a site plan for Lot #4 of Ryan's Haven.

Transfer Site Report – Ashley Nedeau-Owen reported Paul Benesh's last day was last Saturday and the Transfer Site is looking to hire two more employees for the Transfer Site.

Park & Open Space Committee – no report

Broadband Committee – Ashley Nedeau-Owen reported they are working on funding and pricing.

Fish, Crystal, and Mud Lake District/Pumping – no report

“Speed Limit Lowering Request for Residential Areas” was postponed.

The Town Board revised portions of Chapter 3 Boards and Committees of the West Point Code of Ordinances. A motion was made by Renee Nair to adopt Resolution #10-8-2020, 2<sup>nd</sup> by David Lendved – motion carried unanimously. The Resolution is attached to the minutes.

The Town needs to create a plan for Columbia County to replace a tree that was removed by a resident on Town property within the “Shoreline Vegetative Buffer Zone”. A motion was made by Renee Nair to have the Town Chair create a plan that is appropriate for the area, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Karmin Enge – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ashley Nedeau-Owen to reconvene the “Forms & Process Committee”, 2<sup>nd</sup> by David Lendved – motion carried unanimously.

Renee Nair will check on prices for another dumpster.

The Town is eligible to receive Routes to Recovery Grant money for COVID-19 related expenses. Audio and Visual upgrades in order to better hold virtual meetings would be covered under the grant. A motion was made by Karmin Enge to approve the proposal from Integral Business Systems to upgrade the audio/visual system at the Town Hall contingent on having the installation done by December 31, 2020 and with the pricing of 2 additional microphones by October 16, 2020, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Renee Nair – motion carried unanimously.

“IT Support” was postponed.

The Town will have a special Town Board meeting to work on the budget and discuss the R2R Grant on Friday, October 16, 2020 at 5:30pm. The Public Hearing to go over the 2021 budget and the Fall Town Meeting of the Electors will be Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 7:00pm. The next regular town board meeting will be on Thursday, November 12, 2020 immediately following the

Meeting of the Electors, on the agenda is: Town roads, Speed Limit on residential road, COVID-19 – facility use, Transfer Site Dumpsters, and any other business that can be legally added to the agenda.

A motion was made by Karmin Enge to adjourn the October 8, 2020 Town Board meeting at 10:35pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Renee Nair – motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted By  
*Taffy Buchanan*  
Town Clerk

TOWN OF WEST POINT  
RESOLUTION #10-08-2020

WHEREAS, The Town of West Point Ordinance Chapter 3 – Boards and Committees does not reflect the actual composition of certain boards and commissions; and

WHEREAS, The Open Space Committee has not convened in more than 3 years; and

WHEREAS, the Parks Committee has expressed a willingness to work with town Open Spaces; and

WHEREAS, the Town Attorney has reviewed proposed changes to the ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the changes do not require public hearings; and

WHEREAS, the Town of West Point wishes further its goal of maintaining its parks and open spaces;

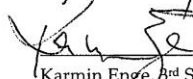
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Town of West Point unanimously agrees to adopt an amended Chapter 3 dated October 8, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be published with a summary description of the changes; and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this revised chapter shall be effective on the day following the day of its publication.

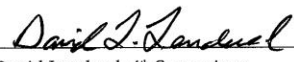
Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020

  
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Renee Nair, 1<sup>st</sup> Supervisor

  
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Karmin Enge, 3<sup>rd</sup> Supervisor

  
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Ashley Nedgau-Owen, Chair

  
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Gordon Carncross, 2<sup>nd</sup> Supervisor

  
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David Lendved, 4<sup>th</sup> Supervisor