

**TOWN OF LEON  
MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY BOARD MEETING  
LEON TOWN HALL, PINE RIVER  
TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 2025**

**Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Sorenson @ 7:20 pm following the Annual Meeting of the Town Electors.

**Roll Call, Audience Present**

Board Members Present: Chairman Chris Sorenson, Supervisor Russell Heise, Supervisor Gordon Engel/Doug Rodencal, Treasurer Lisa Sorenson, Clerk Lois Jewell

Audience Present: Bill Luzinski, Jennifer Rodencal, Mark Piechowski, Joe & Becky Horvath; Judy Newland, Gary Mitchell, Karen Syverson, Carley & Evan Terry

**Approval of March 11, 2025 Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

Motion made by Heise, seconded by Engel to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2025 Board Meeting. All ayes, motion carried.

**Approval of April 8, 2025 Public Hearing Minutes**

Motion made by Heise, seconded by Engel to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2025 Public Hearing. All ayes, motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Sorenson gave the Treasurer's report from March 2025.

General Fund Beginning Balance=\$216,091.75; Ending Balance=\$241,465.94

February Interest=\$42.95

Cemetery Fund=\$6,135.00; Dam Fund=\$4,079.57; Pine River Restoration Fund=\$9,937.27;

CD: Pine River Restoration Fund=\$10,760.52

Motion was made by Engel, seconded by Heise to approve the treasurer's report. All ayes, motion carried.

**Opportunity for those in attendance to address the Board**

Karen Syverson questioned when the newly elected supervisor would assume office. Gordon Engle stepped down and Doug Rodencal assumed office.

**Road Report**

Pot hole patching has been done but there are still holes on Beechnut and Blackhawk and the road edges on 29<sup>th</sup> need to be addressed. Discussion was had regarding scheduling of the the spring road tour. There is a culvert on Badger Road, between Badger Drive and 30<sup>th</sup> Drive that will probably need to be replaced as water seems to be flowing underneath the culvert. Chris will contact Brad Lind about getting a bid for the job. Will need to make sure that it gets blacktopped and not gravelled.

**Old Business**

There was no Old Business to address.

## **New Business**

### **a. Review Town Ordinance 2022-03 to Appoint Alternate Members to the Board of Review**

After review of Ordinance 2022-03, a motion to maintain current alternates of Mike Getchius and Joe Horvath and to update ordinance to current dates was made by Heise, seconded by Rodencal, All ayes, motion carried.

### **b. Approve Town Ordinance 2025-01 to Appoint Town Clerk to the Board of Review**

Motion was made by Rodencal, seconded by Heise to approve Ordinance 2025-01

which authorizes the appointment of the Town Clerk to the Board of Review. All ayes, motion carried.

### **c. Review Annual Report for Leon-Saxeville Library**

Judy Newland presented a summary of the past year for the library. Circulation was up with 394 users. There was an increase in programs from the previous year with a record high of 61 attending the popular wine & cheese program. A new printer was purchased and a grant from Community Foundation was applied for. Judy also thanked the Board for allowing her to be a trustee for two terms. Becky Horvath mentioned that there is interest in holding a farmers market and will look into what is necessary to hold a market at the park.

### **d. Discuss/Approve Library Trustee Appointments - Joe Horvath & Andra Mory**

Motion was made by Rodencal, seconded by Heise to approve the appointments of Joe Horvath and Andra Mory as Trustees to the library. All ayes, motion carried.

### **e. Presentation of Grant for Proposed Structural Changes to Library**

Carley Terry shared that the library has received a grant for construction of an additional entrance on the south side of the library. S&S Construction has been engaged to do the work. Chris will contact the county regarding combining the lots for the library and the park. Motion to approve the project was made by Rodencal, seconded by Heise. All ayes, motion carried.

### **f. Review/Approve 2025 contract for Poy Sippi Volunteer Fire Department**

After review, a motion was made by Rodencal, seconded by Heise to approve the 2025 contract for service. All ayes, motion carried. Contract was signed by the Board.

## **Redgranite Area Fire District Report**

Heise reported on the March meeting where discussion was had regarding the possible purchase of a brush truck. It was agreed that the DNR handles the brush fires and a truck was not needed, A new water truck was purchased and was funded from the truck reserve fund, the auxillary and the sale of a suburban.

## **Zoning Letters and Other Correspondence**

Reviewed Ripon Truck Repair price estimates for roadside mowing for the 2025/2026 season. Motion was made by Heise, seconded by Rodencal to approve hiring Ripon Truck Repair to complete the roadside mowing. All ayes, motion carried. Sorenson signed the contract.

## **Approval of Bills/Expenses Presented for Payment**

Motion was made by Heise, seconded by Rodencal to approve payment of bills as presented, All ayes, motion carried.

## **Adjournment**

Motion was made by Rodencal, seconded by Heise to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 pm. All ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Jewell, Clerk