

# TOWN OF LOWVILLE

Chair Curt Walters called the August 11, 2016 regular town board meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Lowville town hall, W6604 Traut Rd, Poynette, WI. Roll call: Becki Tomlinson-here, Paul Becker-here, Curt Walters-here. Visitors were welcomed. Becker/Tomlinson motion to approve 8/11/2016 meeting notice/agenda as posted. Roll call vote unanimous.MC.

Tomlinson/Walters motion to approve the 7/14/2016 regular town board meeting minutes as written. Roll call vote unanimous. MC.

Treasurer Diane Tomlinson gave the July financial report.

Becker/Walters motion to approve the July financial report as presented. Roll call vote unanimous. MC.

## Bills

Rio Fire Dept. \$2,137.52, Larry Hutzler \$252.13, Alliant Energy WP&L \$58.86, CenturyLink \$58.02, Columbia Co. Solid Waste \$591.42, Hometown News Group \$45.32, Poynette-Dekorra Fire Dept. \$833.21, US Treasury \$41.74, Arlington Fire Dept. \$568.80, Keri Huber \$580.00, Tri-County Paving \$41,369.65, Village of Poynette \$897.86, Diane Tomlinson \$9.46, Jim Lee \$60.00, Gary Campbell \$42.00, Cathy Peterson \$42.00, Connie Downing \$42.00, Margaret Halpin \$42.00, Amy Paskey \$42.00. Becker/Tomlinson motion to pay bills as presented. Roll call vote unanimous. MC.

## Forum for Public Comment

New town land owners introduced themselves

Discussed problem of trash escaping vehicles before arriving at town hall transfer station.

## Plan Commission Report

-no meeting, no report

Carrie Meyer, chief of Poynette-Dekorra EMS reported on 2017 EMS budget request. EMS staffing and method of payment was changed. Now paying \$2.00 per hour on call and \$20.00 per run for each of 3 staff on run. Historically, EMS staff were paid from a pot of money, New method increased budget need from \$56,000 to \$89,000. Caused a 8% to 9% increase in budget. Benefit of new plan is it increased coverage from 50% to 84%. They also changed the way they recruit new members. They are also a lot more active on social media and active in schools and in the community. A discussion followed. With levy limits Town has no way to increase its levy to absorb its share of Poynette-Dekorra Fire Dept. budget increase.

## Poynette-Dekorra Fire Dept 2017 Proposed Budget

Becker/Walters motion to reject the Poynette-Dekorra Fire Department 2017 Proposed budget with increase for EMS. Roll call vote unanimous. MC.

## Revised Poynette-Dekorra-Lowville Fire Agreement

Basically took out any reference to "old" fire station on Main Street and inserted the new fire station off of North Street. Everything else was left the same. Discussion followed. Tomlinson/Walters motion to approve the revised Poynette-Dekorra-Lowville Fire Dept agreement. Roll call vote unanimous. MC.

## WI Towns Association "Just Fit it in" Resolution

Becker/Tomlinson motion to adopt Resolution #2016-001 supporting an increase in funding for road aid. Roll call vote unanimous. MC. Resolution attached to these

minutes.

Town Road Work

Second mowing - start after 9/15/2016. Becki Tomlinson will notify Greg Falk.

Wedging on Mountford Rd is complete. Seal coating is not started.

Seal coating will be done by end of August.

One of trees is trimmed up on Traut Road. More trees are down on Traut Rd and Birchwood Drive. Becki Tomlinson will contact Greg Falk to remove them.

Becker/Tomlinson motion to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. Roll call vote unanimous. MC.

These minutes are subject to approval at the next regular town board meeting. The next regular town board meeting will be held on Thursday, September 8, 2016 at 7:30 pm at the town hall, W6604 Traut Road. David Giebink, clerk.