

TOWN OF MARSHFIELD ANNUAL MEETING

April 20, 2021

The Annual Meeting of the Town of Marshfield was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairperson John Bord. Other Town officials present were: Supervisors Ken Kraus and Wayne Mueller, Treasurer Cathy Seibel and Clerk Marlene J. Sippel. Jim Schaefer, Jr Seibel, Tony Morgen, Mike Schmitz, Earl Merten, Gerry Lefeber, John Pickart, Neal Schaefer and Mary Jo Winker, Zoning Administrator were also in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

John thanked everyone for coming. Copies of the 2020 Annual Report were distributed and reviewed. Cathy clarified the Routes to Recovery Grant and WEC CARES Grant programs. Mike Schmitz motioned to accept the annual report as presented, seconded by Jr Seibel. Motion carried.

John Bord reminded those in attendance that any votes taken tonight are advisory to the Board.

Reports were given on the following:

Roads—Ditch work and/or culvert work was completed on Seven Hills, Hemlock and Town Hall Roads. In 2019, a portion of a culvert washed out on Holly Road. It was repaired in 2020 for a total cost of \$77,281.90. A disaster damage aid petition was turned into the State of Wisconsin for \$57,522.44 in April 2021. We are waiting to hear about the claim. Seal coating was completed on Redwood and Seven Hills (from Cody Road to the Town of Forest line) using black granite and on Elm Road, white 3/8" pea stone was used.

Equipment—On the John Deere the PTO drive train and gear box were replaced. On the Kenworth truck the EGR cooler was lost. A new engine was installed, which was almost \$60,000. These expenditures will show up in next year's report.

Grass Mowing—Will be continued as in previous years. Three mowings will take place.

Recycling Center—After the June 5th collection of newspapers by the Boy Scouts, the newspaper will be thrown in the recyclable containers in the future. The Scouts have decided to discontinue the program.

Signs—Road name signs and fire numbers will be replaced as needed.

Noxious Weed Ordinance—Will be in effect as in the past.

ATV/UTV Routes—All town roads are designated as routes. However, not all county roads in the township are routes.

Drop Box—Was installed in 2019. Was extremely handy this year as taxes were not collected in person due to COVID and it was utilized considerably. Residents also used it to drop off rezoning/variance applications and absentee ballots.

New business discussed was--

Tentative plans for roads in 2021 are: a) seal coat Holly Road (from Cty Rd WH to Maple) and Chestnut Road (from Cty G to Rusmar) b) pave south end of Pine Road

Expand the parking lot at the Fire Department/Village-Town Hall.

WE Energies is upgrading all the windmills (maintenance work only) in the Town of Calumet and Town of Marshfield. Work is tentatively planned to begin in the fall of 2021 and continue thru 2022.

Open book was held on April 15, 2021. Board of Review is scheduled for May 3, 2021 from 5 to 7 p.m. The Town has been out of compliance for the past several years, so a revaluation is being scheduled for 2022. Bowmar Appraisal Inc. will be completing the revaluation of all taxable real estate and personal property in the Town.

In August 2019, the Sex Offender Residency Ordinance was amended. A residence board was established this year as a provision of the ordinance.

Jim Schaefer moved to give the Board the authority to raise taxes this fall, if needed; John Pickart seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote of ayes.

The Town has two representatives who serve on the Ambulance Board. Gerry Lefebber moved to appoint Ken Kraus for a two year term on the Ambulance Board; Tony Morgen seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote of ayes. Deb Johnson, the Town's other representative on the Ambulance Board, is looking to resign after her current term expires in 2022. The Mt. Calvary EMS is holding their annual brat fry on Sunday, April 25, 2021 from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Fireman's Park. There will be food, bucket raffles, cornhole tournament and a small business showcase.

John Pickart thanked the Board for putting black top right away over newly installed culverts.

Next year's annual meeting will be April 19, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Please note new time.

There being no other questions or comments from the public, a motion to adjourn was made by Jr Seibel and seconded by John Pickart. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Marlene J. Sippel, Town Clerk