

TOWN OF FLORENCE
FEBRUARY 24, 2025

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the Board of Supervisors, Town of Florence met on the 24th day of February, 2025 with Chairman Tim Bomberg and Supervisors John Holbrook and Shane McLain present.

On a motion by Holbrook and seconded by McLain the agenda was approved as posted. All in favor, motion carried.

The minutes of the previous meetings held on February 10, 2025, were approved on a motion by McLain and seconded by Holbrook. All in favor, motion carried.

An operator license for Samantha Balkum for the Gold Nugget was approved on a motion by McLain and seconded by Bomberg. All in favor motion carried.

The Town received 6 proposals for Engineering Design Services for replacement of the Pentoga Bridge. (Over the Brule River) This is a WI DOT Local Bridge program. The following are the Engineering Companies that submitted a Statement of their Qualifications for the project. Ayres Associates, Cedar Corporation, JT Engineering, Mead & Hunt, Robert E Lee & Associates and Westwood. On a motion by McLain and seconded by Holbrook it was approved to form a committee to review the qualifications of each engineering company and make a recommendation to the town board by the 2nd or 3rd week in March 2025. All in favor, motion carried.

Clerk/Treasurer, Shelly VanPembrook provided copies of WTA's Summary release of the Governor's budget proposals for the 2025-2027 year.

Monthly town bills totaling \$3,106,763.29 and automatic withdrawals in the amount of \$24,951.95 were approved for payment on a motion by McLain and seconded by Holbrook. All in favor, motion carried.

Holbrook reported that he has learned who is putting refuse in his cart and will inform them that they must put their refuse in his cart timely to be serviced.

Bomberg stated that Town of Fern has adopted an Ordinance#2025-01 Restricting Certain Artificial Wake Enhancement stating the ordinance is enforced by the "officers" of the Town of Fern. Part of Patten Lake is also in the Town of Florence. Bomberg stated this will be interesting to see how enforced and noted that being that he isn't running for town chairman this April, the future board of the Town of Florence will decide the Towns' position.

The board revisited for clarification purposes, the approved motion at the joint February 10, 2025, Town Board and Florence Utility Commission meeting. A motion to share 50/50 with the Utility Commission, the expenses related to the 2024 Central Avenue Sewer replacement project was reviewed. All Board Members agreed that this motion was for the entire project, not just the ineligible expenses discussed at the meeting. The towns' portion of the principal repayment schedule is approximately \$5,480/year interest free until May 1, 2054.

There being no further business it was moved by McLain and seconded by Holbrook to adjourn until March 10, 2025. At 6 p.m. at the community center. All in favor, motion carried.

Submitted by:

Shelly VanPembrook
Clerk/Treasurer