

Town of Milladore  
Annual Minutes form April 18, 2023

**Board members present:** Ken Manlick, Chris Hollar, Leon Kundinger, and Hank Nigh.

**Assembly members present:** Ron Koziczkowski, Ned Ruesch, Leslieanne Ruesch, Connie Smith, Cheryl Nigh, Catherine Warnecke, Larry Warnecke, and Paul Haffenbredl.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of the April 19, 2022 meeting were read. Connie Smith moved to approve, Ned Ruesch seconded, motion approved.

The treasurer report was reviewed by all members present. Ron Koziczkowski moved to approve, Connie Smith seconded, motion approved.

Connie Smith moved to retain First State Bank as the Town of Milladore financial institution, seconded by Leon Kundinger, motion approved.

Cheryl Nigh moved to participate in the 50/50 Road and Bridge work program with the County Highway Department, Ron Koziczkowski seconded, motion approved.

Ned Ruesch moved to retain The Marshfield News Herald as the primary posting of Town of Milladore notices, Ron Koziczkowski seconded, motion approved.

It was shared that the Sherry/Milladore Recycling Center has a current contract with Advanced Disposal through 2024.

Connie Smith moved to set the next Annual Town meeting for April 16, 2024, at 7:30 pm, Hank Nigh seconded, motion approved.

Town employee Ron Koziczkowski shared that in the next year the roof in the shop will need to be fixed. The shop also needs to be insulated. The town hall will need to have a new voting booth fitted for the express voting machine that is handicap accessible.

Leslianne Ruesch moved to keep the board salaries and compensation for the upcoming year the same. Ned Ruesch seconded. Motion approved.

Connie Smith moved that board members should be paid \$50 per half day and \$100 full day of non-mandatory meeting (examples would be WTA unit meetings, district meetings, road forums etc.) Discussion as to whether these types of meetings were germane to the offices the board held for which they are already compensated. Leon seconded the motion. Three votes were in favour, 7 votes were opposed and 3 abstained. The motion was not approved.

Discussion about purchasing 2 parcels adjacent to the Town Hall.

The first is to the west and north of the town hall (Resolution 9), which allow more room to store sand, salt, granite etc, and in the future allow for a well and septic system. Paul Haffenbredl moved to purchase property west and north of the town hall, seconded by Ron Koziczowski, motion approved.

The second parcel is located to the east of Town Hall (Resolution 10), this will allow us to square up the property and continue to use the driveway which accesses the building. Paul Haffenbredl moved to purchase the property east of the town hall to square up the property line, seconded by Ned Ruesch, motion approved.

Both properties will be surveyed, and proper parcel numbers assigned to each piece of property and attached to respective Resolutions.

Discussion of tax levy SS 60.10 (1) will be done at the annual budget meeting, November 2023.

The appointed assessor SS60.10(2) is Kurt Moeller. He has a five-year contract, ending in 2025. His salary is \$7800 annually.

Suggestion to continue to record the annual and monthly business meetings.

The Blenker Sherry Sanitary District is looking for a “trainee” to start learning the business, as the current administrator is retiring.

Discussion to continue our contract with The Humane Society. Our current contract runs through December 2023. It is currently \$91 for animal pick up, \$62 for animal drop off, in addition \$55 animal without current rabies vaccines, or \$35 with current rabies vaccines. At this time there is no other area option to contract with that allows for all animals. Leslieanne Ruesch moved that we continue in our contract, however we ask the town person who used the service to reimburse the town for any and all fees paid to The Humane Society on their behalf, seconded by Paul Haffenbredl, motion approved. Any uncollected fees to the town will go on the individual’s tax record at the end of the year.

Cheryl Nigh moved to set the annual budget meeting for November 5, 2023 at 6:30 pm, Ned Ruesch seconded, motion approved.

### **Public Comment**

The American Rescue Plan Act has well compensation and well abandonment grant programs. The programs provide funding to well and water system owners to replace, reconstruct, treat or abandon their wells or water systems. Fliers about the program are available.

A reminder that we sell tags for compost, and yard waste collection in Wisconsin Rapids. Tags are \$55 and can be purchased through the town clerk. Tags are good for one year.

Ron Koziczowski moved to adjourn, seconded by Ned Ruesch, meeting adjourned.