

Minutes for TOWN OF WILSON, January 3rd, 2023

CALL TO ORDER & DECLARATION OF OPEN MEETING: Supervisor Ehmann called the Town of Wilson Board Meeting to order. Posting in accordance with open meeting law was confirmed by affidavit of posting and the meeting was declared an open meeting. The meeting was held via Zoom which complies with open meeting laws.

PRESENT: Chairman John Ehmann, Supervisors Tom Stoelb, Nancy DesJardins, Brian Hoffmann, Matt Fore. Also, in attendance: Clerk Julie Wicker, Treasurer Shawna Scovronski, Director of Public Works Ben Darkow. Also attending were Marcy Esmeralda Kerpe, Jayne Zabrowski, Lisa Callsen, Jack Leonhardt, Jeremy Udovich, Jokasha Klest, Erik Thelen, Jean Schott-Wagner.

Pledge of Allegiance: Was cited by Supervisor Hoffmann.

Public Comment –

APPOINTMENTS / NEW & OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Approval of the draft minutes, December 19th, 2022.** Motion by Stoelb second by DesJardins to approve the December 19th, 2022 Town of Wilson minutes, all members voted aye. Motion carried.
2. **Discussion and possible action to amend the Town's Chapter 17 Room Tax ordinance to include charging room taxes on short-term rentals.** Chairman Ehmann explained the changes in the ordinance and how the Town would phase the room tax in. The room tax would go into effect on April 1, 2023 when the software is up and running. They would be penalties to those that would not pay the room tax. More discussion will be coming on an upcoming agenda on how the Town will determine how they will proceed with the rental owners that with have bookings in place and haven't charged the room tax fee. Motion by Fore second by Stoelb to amend the Town's Chapter 17 Room Tax ordinance to include charging room taxes on short-term rentals starting April 1, 2023. All members voted aye. Motion carried.
3. **New and Renewal Operator License Applications for period July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023.** Motion by Hoffmann second by Stoelb to approve the Operator License for Demetrius Trevino. All members voted aye; motion carried.
4. **Public Comment:** None
5. **Reports:**
 - a. **Ben Darkow- Maintenance** – Darkow told the board when the skid steer was ordered the trailer was not included with the purchase price. The cost of this is \$12,000. The breakdown would be \$6,000 to the Town, \$3,000 to SD1, \$3,000 to SD2. The board agreed that a trailer would be necessary to avoid wear and tear on this equipment. Clerk Wicker suggested that Darkow look at a cheaper trailer or used trailer to purchase. There are many out there that are less expensive that would be sufficient, and would save the Town money. Chairman Ehmann requested Darkow to investigate something less expensive.
 - b. **Treasurer** - Balance sheet, cash balances, activity, annual department report, Fire Dept, activity reports and financial information were shared. New spreadsheets are in the packets.
 - c. **Sheriff Report** – none
 - d. **Julie Wicker – Clerk** – Wicker is working on end of year reports.
 - e. **Supervisors Reports - Supervisor** – Supervisor DesJardins suggested that the Code Enforcement officers should have radios because there are many areas in the Town where there are no cell connections.
Superior Hoffmann told the board that the Fed Ex drivers have been speeding around the Town and he was concerned about the kids that are playing outside. Supervisor Stoelb mentioned that UPS has also been driving fast around the Town. Clerk Wicker will be making a phone call to Fed Ex and UPS to notify them of this.
6. **Disbursement Reports: Town of Wilson**

Motion by Hoffmann second by DesJardins to approve the Town's check numbers 223589-23606, dated January 3, 2023, in the amount of \$ 55,017.51, all members voted aye, motion carried.

Motion by Hoffmann second by Stoelb to approve the Town's payroll dated December 28, 2022 in the total amount of \$7,933.34 all members voted aye, motion carried.

7. The Town of Wilson Supervisors intend to convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(c) for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data for any public employee over which the Town Supervisors has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, consideration of salary increases for Maintenance Supervisor, maintenance staff and office personnel. Motion by Fore second by Stoelb to move into closed session. A roll call vote was taken. DesJardins aye, Stoelb aye, Fore aye, Hoffmann aye, and the Chair aye. The board moved into closed session.

8. Town Supervisors reconvenes to Open Session

The board moved back into open session. Motion by Fore second by Stoelb to approve a 3% increase to All the Town of Wilson employees, all members voted aye. Motion carried.

9. Adjourn- Motion by Fore second by Hoffmann to adjourn at 6:30 pm, all members voted aye, motion carried.

Minutes by Julie Wicker.