

SEPTEMBER MINUTES

September Meeting Minutes

Date: September 10, 2024

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Mentor Town Hall
N3049 King Street

Chairman Gile called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

All board members were present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Verification of posting in 3 places

Previous month's minutes were read. Supervisor 2, Will Scholze made a motion to accept the August 2024 minutes, with a correction made to the Clark County Sheriff's phone number. Chairman Gile 2nd the motion. Motion was carried.

Treasurer report was read. Chairman Gile made a motion to accept this month's bills starting with check number 16488 through number 16512, including all E-Pays. Supervisor 2, Will Scholze 2nd the motion. Motion was carried.

Reports & Correspondence from Officers:

- Chairman Gile spoke briefly about WISLR (Wisconsin Information System for Local Roads), a state program used to rate the towns road conditions. He stated that the WISLR report for the Town of Mentor is complete and submitted to the state.

Agenda items:

- a) Sean Partridge, the Operations Manager for GFL, talked about recent problems with missed trash pickups. He explained that the route in Mentor was originally handled by just one driver. But because there was more trash than usual, they added a second truck. However, the two drivers got confused about who was supposed to cover which areas, and that caused some missed pickups. Since then, new route maps have been made, and there haven't been any more missed pickups reported.

Sean also mentioned that they are now using a newer truck to collect glass from the bar. Since they started using this truck, there haven't been any new issues of glass or debris being left on the roads.

Chairman Gile asked Sean about using larger 95-gallon containers for recycling. Sean estimated that it would cost an extra \$5 to \$7 per container each month. Residents or the town could also choose to buy the containers outright for about \$60. Chairman Gile requested that Sean provide a written quote when he has a more accurate estimate.

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Sean also talked about replacing damaged bins. He said GFL will replace bins that are damaged due to normal wear and tear. However, if the damage is caused by misuse or abuse, the resident would have to pay for the replacement.

Finally, Sean mentioned that if any residents are having problems with GFL services, they can call him directly at 715-773-8134.

- b) Drew Semingson School Superintendent – this agenda item was tabled for the October meeting.
- c) Petition to Vacate Alley's & Roads. Pat Murphy, the new owner of the old feed mill along with Odell Nelson have submitted a petition to vacate a unused portion of Bluff street between their properties. Additionally, Mr Murphy has submitted a petition to vacate a portion of alley embedded within his property description but not shown on any map.

The board reviewed the petitions and agrees that the petitions meet the requirements per Wisconsin Statute 66.1003. The petitioners will be responsible for a \$100 application fee, plus additional expenses if required.

The board however feels that there is a potential easement issue that should be considered by the property owners. For that reason, this agenda item will be tabled for the October meeting so the owners of each property can work together on an easement agreement if needed.

- d) Clean Up Day Financials – Clerk Jack Ikhtiari reported the total expenses for Clean Up days were as follows: 2022 - \$1,164.76, 2023 - \$1,560.62, and 2024 - \$2,076.84. Chairman Gile noted that he feels the Clean Up Day is a very good benefit to the community.
- e) New Hire – Chairman Gile made a motion to hire Ezekial Pavlac as the new custodian. Supervisor 1, Einar Fransen 2nd the motion. Motion was carried.
- f) 2022 Audit – Chairman Gile made a motion to approve the 2022 audit. Supervisor 1, Einar Fransen 2nd the motion. Motion was carried.

Open discussion:

- Discussion regarding the condition of Square Rd. and about a portion going to gravel. This is a temporary solution until the town can afford to blacktop this portion of the road.
- Discussion regarding the Board reviewing the road conditions together.

Chairman Gile adjourned the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

Dated this 11th day of September 2024, Jack Ikhtiari Sr, Clerk /Treasurer