

TOWN OF HANSEN MEETING MINUTES

Paul Goldberg , Chairperson * Pamela Martinson, Treasurer * Diane Kohls, Clerk * Wayne Brock,
Supervisor * Dan Madsen, Supervisor

November 12, 2024

These minutes are in draft form and have not been approved by the Hansen Town Board. They will be brought before the board for approval at the next meeting.

Board Members in Attendance: Paul Goldberg, Pamela Martinson, Wayne Brock, Diane Kohls and Dan Madsen

Board Members Excused: None

Others in Attendance: Char Goldberg, Chris Ferkey, Ralph Hamel, and Joe DeRuiter

PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING AND SPECIAL MEETING OF TOWN OF ELECTORS

Call to Order: Chairman, Paul Goldberg, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of 2025 Budget: A motion was made by Char Goldberg, seconded by Chris Ferkey, to approve the 2025 Budget. Motion carried.

Adopt 2024 Tax Levy and Approve Highway Expenditures: A motion was made by Char Goldberg, seconded by Chris Ferkey, to adopt the 2024 Tax Levy of \$195,676.00 and approve the 2025 Highway Expenditures of \$209,088. Motion carried.

Adjourn meetings: A motion was made by Chris Ferkey, seconded by Char Goldberg, to adjourn the budget hearing and special meeting. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Call to Order: Chairman, Paul Goldberg, called the meeting to order at 7:18 p.m.

Adopt 2025 Budget: A motion was made by Dan, seconded by Wayne, to adopt the 2025 budget. Motion carried.

Approval of Clerks Minutes: The minutes from the October 8, 2024 meeting were read. A motion was made by Wayne, seconded by Dan, to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Expenditures and Treasurer Reports: A motion was made by Wayne, seconded by Dan, to approve the expenditures and Treasurer reports. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Paul received information from the NC Regional Planning Commission about bike routes through Wood County. A feral cat bit a resident and SWCHS would not take the cat unless there is something wrong with the cat and they would have to monitor it. The snow plow truck is being put together and hopefully will be delivered in January. Diane will contact the insurance company with the VIN #.

Road and Maintenance Concerns/Tree Trimming: Paul talked to Kolo about ditching and will also talk to Wilke. JJ's should be starting the tree trimming and brush cutting soon. A motion was made by Dan, seconded by Wayne, to exceed the \$5,000 that was originally decided on if needed for brushcutting. Motion carried.

Approve letter that gets mailed with taxes: Diane did not have time to get this done, but will work with Paul and Pam to get it updated to be mailed out with the taxes and the garbage/recycling calendar.

Garbage/Recycling Contract and Assessor Contract: The town signed a 5 year contract with WM, so Diane contacted Tim to get our current rate for the year. Pauls and Associates sent a two year contract. The board isn't sure if they want to sign a two year agreement. Joann said that it is fine if we don't want to. The board will decide what to do at the next meeting.

Website: We are under contract with Town Web for 2025 for \$843. If we weren't under contract it would cost us \$1220 for 2025, so I expect it will go up more in 2026. We need to start thinking about our options for someone to take care of our website in 2026. Diane was contacted by usagnet out of Marshfield but they want \$2,000 to set up the website and \$725 per year to manage it.

Pay current bills: A motion was made by Wayne, seconded by Dan, to pay the current bills. Motion carried.

Old Business: The plows have been mounted so the Town is ready for plowing. Paul took the fire extinguishers to the Pittsville Fire Department for testing so they are good for the next year.

New Business: There was a question about hunting on Town land. The board decided not to allow hunting on Town land because they are not sure what their liability would be if an accident happened. Pam will work with the Village to come up with some tax collection dates. Paul received a call about a BNI number that was put up on Maplewood Road. The driveway is actually in the Town of Arpin, but the structure has a Town of Hansen address, so the sign will need to be moved.

Public Input: Ralph Hamel suggested doing a road inspection to make sure that there are no trees hanging in the right of way so that our new plow doesn't get damaged.

Next agenda items: SWCHS contract, Assessor Contract, Set Caucus Date

Next meeting date: December 10, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Wayne, seconded by Dan, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned by Chairman, Paul Goldberg, at 8:41 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Diane Kohls, Clerk, Town of Hansen