

Town of Presque Isle EDC Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 20, 2022 @ 4:30 p.m.

Location: Community Room

(UnApproved)

A quorum of the Board of Supervisors of the Town of Presque Isle may be present at a meeting of the EDC committee. No deliberation will occur and no action will be taken by the Town Board at this meeting.

- I. Call to order-The meeting was called to order by Bonnie Byrnes, President @ 4:33 p.m. Committee members present: Bonnie, Jeanne Klingemeyer, Mark Billhymer, Gary Owens and Chris Wolter for quorum. Brenda Dyre was absent with prior notification. Town Board EDC Liaison, Carl Wolter, was absent.
- II. Recognition of Guests: John Maclean, Town Chairman was present.
- III. Agenda: Motion made by Gary and seconded by Mark to approve the agenda. All ayes.
- IV. Approval of Wednesday, June 22, 2022 minutes made by Jeanne and seconded by Mark after a few minor additions of meeting dates, times, etc. All ayes.
- V. Chair Remarks: None
- VI. Finance Report: Brenda was absent and the committee consensus was that budget numbers hadn't changed from June 22, 2022 meeting when Brenda reported we have \$3070.49 in the EDC 2022 budget.
- VII. New Business: None
- VIII. Old Business:
 - A. Broad Band-
 1. Chris reported that the Broadband committee is meeting on a monthly basis (met July 5, 2022). She read an update recently given to the PI town board by Dave Bogan of the Broadband committee re: the BB grant status. Charter-Spectrum was awarded almost 1.9 M for the Presque Isle Broadband grant recently from the Wisconsin Public Service Commission. The town will contribute 1.2 M to the 6.9 M project. 3.9 M is Charter's obligation. In October-November discussions between Charter and the town will take place. Dec. 31, 2022 is the goal to have the Charter/state contract finalized. Engineering and construction may begin in early 2023 Charter has 24 months to complete the project which would indicate that early-mid 2025 would be the target completion date. The broadband committee will begin developing a website.

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B. Phase 1/Signage Updates-

1. Jeanne reported that Lakeland Sign and Graphics has moved their installation dates back a couple of weeks. Taller poles for the signs are needed. The town will remove the old signs and Lakeland Signs and Graphics will install the new ones according to Vilas County guidelines. Jeanne will call Diggers Hotline prior to the installations.

C. Main Street Overview-

1. Ponds-The Town Board is working with WI DNR and M2 Engineering on this issue. For now, the ponds are being kept at a low water level at the request of the WI DNR to prevent deterioration of the current dam structure between the North and South ponds.

2. Main Street Lighting-John Maclean, town Chairman presented a photo of the template of the proposed Town lights/lamps. The lights were designed by Kaufmann Sheet metal. John reported that the town will employ M2 Engineering to help with the positioning of the lights and come up with a schematic of where they should be placed on the Main Street. A discussion ensued. No action was taken.

3. Main Street Walking Path-The walking path from Main Street to Pipke Park is on private land and Mr. Phil Harris is generously offering the use of the walkway to the Public after completion. Details are being worked out by a private business and Mr. Harris.

IX. Public Comment- None

X. Adjournment-

Next meeting is on Wednesday, August 31, 2022 @ 4:30 p.m. due to several committee members being out of town during the scheduled time of the month. Motion to adjourn the meeting @ 5:04 p.m. was made by Jeanne and seconded by Gary.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine A. Wolter, Secretary