

PUBLIC HEARING MEETING January 23, 2025

Chairman Mark Stuebs called to order the Public Hearing on Thursday, January 23, 2025, at 5:00PM for the purpose of borrowing funds to replace the bridge on Aspen Ave. The pledge was recited. Audience: Kevin Lipke, Chuck Brewer, Jason Brewer, Steve Anderson, Diane Hartzke.

Prior to conversation and discussion commencing, Clerk Smith cited past procedures from 2016 (when the first project of Aspen Ave took place, there was a public hearing and vote for approval) and that at the regular board meeting earlier this month she encouraged the board to do the same. Upon further research, Clerk Smith learned and now voiced to the town board, per WTA magazine September 2024 issue, the governing body does not need approval from town electors to borrow money. Subsequently, the town board continued forward movement with the project as monies have been already disbursed. Discussion began with questions regarding loan terms and timeline of project and closed with inquiries regarding Pine Breeze Dairy and local businesses contributing financially to this new bridge as their businesses will hugely benefit from this project. There will need to be communication/meeting with the all affected sooner rather than later. Chairman Stuebs will be receiving construction plans from Martenson & Eisele prior to the next board meeting.

Immediately following the public hearing, a special board meeting was called to order for the approval of Resolution 2025-01 Discontinuance of Public Way. Clerk Smith read aloud the resolution. There were no questions and the resolution was moved for approval by Supervisor Smith, second by Supervisor Riese. Motion carried 3-0. Resolution was signed.

The board then set a date for the public hearing, no sooner than 40 days per state statutes, and will be held in conjunction with the regular town board meeting Tuesday, March 4, 2025 beginning at 6:00pm. Clerk Smith will draft a letter to all abutting property owners and will be sent certified mail for notification of Public Hearing.

A motion to adjourn was made at 5:25pm by Supervisor Riese/second by Supervisor Smith.

Respectfully submitted, Amy Smith Amy Smith, Clerk