

**Town of Sand Lake
Town Board Meeting
Monday, March 13, 2023
Minutes**

Chair Amy Bruss called the March 13, 2023 meeting to order at 6:00 pm. All officers were present. Public notice of the meeting was confirmed. Amy Bruss requested that the presentation by the Siren School District about their referendum questions be moved up. Motion to approve the agenda with that change was made by Supervisor Ken Pardun and seconded by Supervisor Karolyn Kroll. Motion carried, voice vote. Motion to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2023 minutes was made by Karolyn Kroll and seconded by Amy Bruss. Motion carried, voice vote. Public comments: Laura Jensen asked the candidates for town offices to speak about their candidacy.

Siren School District Referendum presentation: Siren School Superintendent Dr. Shetler and other members of the Siren School District presented information on the two referendum questions that will be on the April 4, 2023 Spring Election Ballot and answered questions from the board and those present.

Chair Amy Bruss reported on upcoming meetings of the Webster Fire department, WTA and the special town meeting scheduled for March 27, 2023. Amy also noted there were two issues concerning zoning – a cell tower and a home on Firefly Lane.

Clerk's report – Peggy Tolbert reminded everyone of the Spring Election on April 4, 2023 for town officials, Justice of the Supreme Court, County Court Judge, Webster and Siren School Board members, Siren referenda and state referenda

Treasurer Melanie Johnson gave the treasurer's report. General account balance as of February 28, 2023 was \$276,461.04 and the equipment fund balance was \$15,794.55. Approximately \$20,000 in ARPA funds are included in the general account balance. First half tax collection and February settlement are complete. Three NFS checks are in reconciliation. Dog licensing is underway with an April 1, 2023 deadline.

Supervisor reports – Ken Pardun reported on the estimates he received on purchase of a grapple. Funds from the sale of the old loader will be used to cover this cost. Ken felt he could negotiate a better price and would bring the purchase to the Town Board at the April meeting.

There was no Plan Commission report.

Road manager Brad Huser gave the Road report and reported on equipment repairs, snow plowing and ice removal. Brad and Andy Olson are preparing for the anticipated snowstorm.

Matters for discussion and possible action.

1. Accept resignation of Town Clerk Kira Schwendeman and appoint interim Town Clerk. Kira Schwendeman notified the town board of her intention to resign effective February 28, 2023 but has not submitted a written resignation yet. Motion to appoint Peggy Tolbert as interim Town Clerk was made by Amy Bruss, seconded by Karolyn Kroll. Motion carried, voice vote.

2. Webster School District Superintendent Jeff Fimreite was not present.
3. Clifton Larsen Allen audit – Peggy Tolbert reported she was working with CLA on an audit of the town's finances. Documents to be signed would be sent soon. In addition to the audit, CLA will complete the annual financial report to the State.

Following payment of bills, the meeting was adjourned. The next monthly Town Board meeting will be Tuesday, April 18, 2023 following the Annual Town Meeting