

**Town of Springvale
Columbia County WI
Minutes, February 13, 2024
Springvale Town Hall**

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM, with reciting of the Flag Pledge.

Present: Andy Fischer, Glen Fischer, John Gutzman, Becky Gutzman, Denise Bancroft-Hart, visitors Patti Fischer, Joyce Manthey, Erica Avila, and Mike Parrott; absent: none.

Public comment period: none

Minutes of the January 9, 2024 meeting were read; motion by John, seconded by Glen, and carried to approve the minutes.

Treasurer's report:

Checking: \$728,732.29

Savings: \$183,240.08

ARPA Savings: \$54,786.66

Motion by Glen, seconded by John, and carried to approve the report.

Review of bills: Motion by John, seconded by Glen, and carried to approve payment of the bills.

Town Hall: Mike Parrott of General Engineering discussed residential vs commercial building codes, as well as considerations related to building a new hall. He provided a draft ordinance that could be considered by the board.

EMS Report: Erica Avila discussed the change in billing firms that the Pardeeville EMS is undertaking. Due to a time lag between terminating the previous service and start-up of the new service, the EMS board anticipates needing a line of credit to cover a billing shortfall during the interim period. All municipalities need to approve obtaining the line of credit, but the Town of Wyocena is willing to fund the line of credit. Motion by Glen, seconded by John and carried to approve the Pardeeville EMS obtaining a line of credit, to be provided by the Town of Wyocena.

Road maintenance: bids for tree trimming north of Pardeeville Road on Bender Road: Columbia Co Highway department provided an estimate of \$5456.90; Danny Krueger's bid is \$4500. After discussion, motion by Glen, seconded by John, and carried to have Danny Krueger do the project, pending receipt of a valid certificate of liability insurance. Andy will contact him to request this, and a W-9 form.

Recycling Center: the bulletin board has been installed, thanks to Harry Sheeks.

Solar updates: none.

Other business:

- Andy asked for feedback on snowplowing this winter; it was felt that salt/sand mixture on corners and curves could extend further out.
- Feedback on having an attorney for the Town: will ask other municipalities who they use.
- Andy met with reps of ATC, the owners of the high transmission powerline that runs through the Town; they will be replacing the towers and adding more lines beginning in 2027, and will be contacting any landowners within 500 feet of the line.

The next meeting was set for Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at 7 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 PM

Becky Gutzman, Clerk