

# TOWN of BELMONT TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

**DATE: February 8, 2023**

**TIME: 7:30 PM**

**LOCATION:** Belmont Town Hall, 204 W Commerce Street, Belmont, WI 53510

**AGENDA:**

1. Call to Order at 7:45 PM by Chairman Bonin; Pledge of Allegiance  
Visitors: BJ Galle, Andy Myers, Mark Rehmstedt, Barb Daus, Adam Ruechel
2. Verify Public Notice, Approval of Agenda and Approval of January 25, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes
  - a. The Clerk verified proper posting was done per Wi s. 60.12.
  - b. Motion by Clayton approve agenda, second by Buchs to approve the agenda. Motion passed 3-0.
  - c. Motion by Buchs, second by Clayton to approve January 25, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes with correction to 7c. Motion passed 3-0.
3. Presentations & Public Comment Forum  
*Public Comment Forum: Members of the public are welcome to address the Town Board. Pursuant to WI Statutes 19.83(2) and 19.84(2), the public may present matters; however, they cannot be discussed or acted upon until specific notice of the subject matter of the proposed action can be given.*  
  
Platteville City Council member, Barb Daus, and city manager, Adam Ruechel, presented about the future Platteville Fire Station. There are several options for proposed budget cost breakdown for each municipality. With current numbers Town's portion varies between \$40,000 to \$70,000. In a couple of months they will have a better estimate, and there will be more public meetings.
4. Financial Position Report (Treasurer's Report)
  - a. Motion by Buchs to approve Treasurer's Report; Clayton second. Motion passed 3-0.
5. Clerk's Report
  - a. Approve Payment of Bills – Motion by Clayton to approve payment of bills as presented; Bonin second. Motion passed 3-0.
  - b. Review Staff Hours Report and Sign - Staff hours presented and signed by board members.
6. Patrolman(s) Update
  - a. Review road conditions – Board reviewed patrolman report. All vehicles are in good condition. New shoes on V-plow for grader.
  - b. Review other needs –
7. Committee Reports
  - a. Planning Commission
    1. **Stoltzfus, Benuel**. Parcel: 004.0256.2000. After-the-fact greenhouse application – Buchs made a motion to approve after-the-fact greenhouse application; Bonin second. Motion passed 3-0.
  - b. Platteville Fire / EMS (Ryan Simmons) – see under section 3.
  - c. Belmont Fire / EMS (Supervisor Buchs) – \$20,314.77 town portion of the new

- ambulance.
- d. County Planning and Zoning update – no update
8. Old Business
- a. Local Government Investment Pool – Motion by Clayton to transfer \$20,000 to an Equipment Account at LGIP; Buchs second. Motion passed 3-0.
  - b. TAP and Local Bridge FFY 23-26 – We do not qualify for it. No action.
  - c. Lafayette County EMS – Motion by Bonin to sign the Request to Join in Petition for Declaratory Ruling by the DOR as it is the Board’s duty to represent the town’s taxpayers’ interest. Clayton second; motion passed 3-0.
  - d. Town Hall Roof – Town will get quotes for lower roof replacing because of leaking.
  - e. Bridge Inspection – Town will get quotes for Jericho Rd. Jones Branch bridge deck repair.
9. New Business/Action Items
- a. Jericho Rd. Shoulder Work – Town will accept bids after Lafayette Land Conservation sends a bid sheet
  - b. BOR Training – no action.
10. Closed session - the Town Board chairman may motion to go into closed session pursuant to Wis. State Statue 19.85(1)(c) regarding contracts, negotiations, evaluation and employment of public employees to discuss employee wages

Town Board went into closed session at 10:15 PM.

Motion by Buchs to change Marty Russell’s wage from current to \$19/hr as training of new patrolman is complete. Clayton second; motion passed 3-0.

11. Upcoming dates of importance
- a. Planning Commission Meeting – March 1, 2023 at 7:00 PM
  - b. Next Town of Belmont Meeting – March 8, 2023 at 7:30 PM
  - c. 2023 Spring Primary - February 21, 2023
12. Adjourn
- a. Clayton motioned to adjourn in closed session. Second by Buchs; motion passed 3-0.
  - b. Time noted 10:21 PM

**FINAL – Approved on 3/8/2023**

Town Hall 204 W Commerce St  
First Capitol Mini Mart  
Post Office

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Juli McGuire, Clerk  
Town of Belmont  
Lafayette County, Wisconsin