

TOWN OF RIB FALLS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

*Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order by Chairman Bill Wunsch
2. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
3. Approve Agenda
4. Review and Approve Minutes from December 13, 2022
5. Public Comment: (No action will be taken, time may be limited by chair)
6. Hear & File Treasurer's Report and Finalize 12/31/2022 Ending Balances
7. Clerk's Report
8. Supervisor's Reports
9. Review and Act on Fuel Contract Proposal
10. Begin Major Expenditure Planning for 2023
11. Approve and Pay Bills
12. Review mail
13. Adjournment

Posted on behalf of Bill Wunsch, Chairman, at Rib Falls Town Hall and on townofribfalls.com on January 3, 2023 by Alysia Seliger, Clerk.

Townpeople requiring assistance to enable attendance and participation are to provide the Town Clerk at least 24 hours notice.

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Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

MINUTES

Those present: Bill Wunsch, John Hummer, Alysia Seliger, Torrie Socha, Brian Witherler, Judy Hummer

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Wunsch at 7:00pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

John made a motion to approve the agenda. Bill second. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes from the December 13, 2022 board meeting were reviewed. Bill made a motion to approve the minutes as typed. John second. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: None

Torrie read the Treasurer's Report. Bill made a motion to file the Treasurer's Report for 12/31/2022. John second. Motion passed unanimously.

Clerk's Report – Received the \$1,200 Election Grant money. All year end payroll reports have been filed. Tobacco License Report was filed. Fire Dues Self Certification is complete for Edgar, waiting on the Fire Chief's for Hamburg and Marathon to submit their portions. Submitted Annual Injury and Illness Report. Need to complete the Annual Insurance Audit.

Supervisor's Reports – Spoke with J&J Brushing, hope to start working on brushing in the next week or two. Switlick is supposed to haul granite/salt this week. Weight limit issue for Myska Lumber Mill-county would consider not posting weight limits on 1 mile of Hwy U between Hwy H and Pheasant Falls Rd, but need testing done on Hwy U to see what type of base is under the road. The county would like a log of how many trucks will be traveling the road. Talked to Marathon County about Lumber Falls corner which is blocked by brush, they will look into. Blades from the County are in, but haven't been picked up yet.

Review and Act on Fuel Contract Proposal – Will review next month.

Begin Major Expenditure Planning for 2023 – John and Brian will start working on it.

Bill made a motion to approve and pay the bills. John second. Motion passed unanimously.

The mail was reviewed.

John made a motion to adjourn at 7:56pm. Bill second. Motion passed unanimously.

Alysia Seliger – Clerk
Town of Rib Falls

TOWN OF RIB FALLS CAUCUS
Saturday, January 14, 2023 10:00 AM
RIB FALLS TOWN HALL
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI 54426

AGENDA

1. Call meeting to order—Chairman, Bill Wunsch
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approve Agenda
4. Appoint Caucus Chairperson
5. Appoint Caucus Tellers
6. Nominate Candidates for Town Offices:
 - A. Chairperson
 - B. Supervisor #1
 - C. Supervisor #2
 - D. Treasurer
 - E. Clerk
7. Adjournment

Posted on behalf of Bill Wunsch, Chairman, at Rib Falls Town Hall and on townofribfalls.com on January 3, 2023 by Alysia Seliger, Clerk.

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TOWN OF RIB FALLS CAUCUS
Saturday, January 14, 2023 10:00 AM
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI 54426

MINUTES

Those present: Bill Wunsch, Randy Ross, John Hummer, Alysia Seliger, Judy Hummer, Colette Wunsch, Cindy Beaty, Bruce Beaty, Brian Witberler, Lori Miller, Lance Miller, Tom Pietrowski SR, Pam Pietrowski, Tom Pietrowski JR, Lisa Pietrowski, Scott Pietrowski, Derek Riesgraf, Andrew Schlagel, Leander Ziebell

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Wunsch at 10:00am.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Cindy Beaty made a motion to approve the agenda. Pam Pietrowski second. Motion passed unanimously.

Bill Wunsch called for nominations for Caucus Chairperson. Scott Pietrowski nominated Bill Wunsch. Tom Pietrowski second. Motion passed unanimously.

Bill Wunsch called for nominations for Caucus Tellers. Cindy Beaty nominated Bruce Beaty. Lori Miller second. Bill Wunsch nominated Lance Miller. Lori Miller second. Motion passed unanimously.

Nominations for Town Chairperson were opened. Lori Miller nominated Andy Schlagel. Derek Riesgraf second. Judy Hummer nominated Bill Wunsch. Tom Pietrowski second. No other nominations were received. Motion passed unanimously.

Nominations for Supervisor #1 were opened. Tom Pietrowski nominated Scott Pietrowski. Leander Ziebell second. Cindy Beaty nominated Randy Ross. Bruce Beaty second. No other nominations were received. Motion passed unanimously.

Nominations for Supervisor #2 were opened. Andy Schlagel nominated Lori Miller. Derek Riesgraf second. Randy Ross nominated John Hummer. Leander Ziebell second. No other nominations were received. Motion passed unanimously.

Nominations for Treasurer were opened. Tom Pietrowski nominated Torrie Socha. Pam Pietrowski second. No other nominations were received. Motion passed unanimously.

Nominations for Town Clerk were opened. Cindy Beaty nominated Alysia Seliger. Tom Pietrowski second. No other nominations were received. Motion passed unanimously.

Tom Pietrowski made a motion to adjourn at 10:25am. Scott Pietrowski second. Motion passed unanimously.

Alysia Seliger-Clerk
Town of Rib Falls

TOWN OF RIB FALLS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

*Tuesday, February 14, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.
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AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order by Chairman Bill Wunsch
2. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
3. Approve Agenda
4. Review and Approve Minutes from January 10, 2023 Board Meeting
5. Public Comment: (No action will be taken, time may be limited by chair)
6. Hear & File Treasurer's Report
7. Clerk's Report
8. Supervisor's Reports
9. Review Draft 2022 Annual Financial Report
10. Annual Meeting Discussion and Planning – April 19, 2023
11. Major Expenditure Planning for 2023
12. Approve and Pay Bills
13. Review Mail
14. Adjournment

Posted on behalf of Bill Wunsch, Chairman, at Rib Falls Town Hall and on townofribfalls.com on February 5th 2023 by Alysia Seliger, Clerk.

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Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

MINUTES

Those present: Bill Wunsch, Randy Ross, John Hummer, Alysia Seliger, Torrie Socha, Brian Witberler, Colette Wunsch, Marsha Otto, Lori Miller, Andy Schlagel, Scott Pietrowski, Susan Schmidt

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Wunsch at 7:00pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

John made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of Item #9 Review and Act on Fuel Contract. Bill second. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes from the January 10, 2023 board meeting were reviewed. Randy made a motion to approve the minutes as typed. John second. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: Question about documents that are discussed on the agenda being posted on the website. We post final copies on the website, but not items that are drafts.

Torrie read the Treasurer's Report. Bill made a motion to file the Treasurer's Report. John second. Motion passed unanimously.

Clerk's Report – Election test went well. Will have election security box installed in the next few weeks. Will purchase an iPad type device for the election workers to use on election day

Supervisor's Reports – Myska Saw mill did a load inventory for the Hwy Dept to potentially use Hwy U, one mile off of Hwy H, down Pheasant Falls Rd. The Hwy Dept has safety concerns about the intersection of Hwy 29 and Pheasant Falls Rd. The County took core samples of the Hwy U base material and it is good. To keep trucks off Lumber Falls Rd, the County will not post weight limits on the 1 mile of Hwy U from Hwy H to Pheasant Falls Rd. John picked up plow blades. John attended the Western Towns Assoc Meeting. Culverts over 48" qualify as a bridge and may be eligible for bridge aid. Culvert on Pheasant Falls needs to be worked on this summer. Brian found a place to repair the EMC part for the 94 Ford Patrol Truck. J&J Brushing started cutting on 2/8, finished on 2/14. Invasive weeds are growing in the ditches, will look into options for that. John took waste oil in to trucking company. Contacted Marathon County Zoning regarding brush blocking the view on the corner of Nugget Falls Trl and Lumber Falls Rd. Switlick hauled more granite salt in. Road damage issue on Schoolhouse Ln from Countryside Dr to Skye Falls Dr. Will post road limits within next week or two. Lee's Equipment will replace our shop furnace. Will get a quote on first coat of dust control on roads with new granite.

Review and Act on Fuel Contract Proposal – River Country Co-op sent a contract proposal. No action was taken.

Review Draft 2022 Annual Financial Report

Annual Meeting Discussion and Planning – April 19, 2023

Major Expenditure Planning for 2023 – Two miles of light coat on Pheasant Falls Rd. One mile of light coat on Countryside Dr from Hwy 107 to Schoolhouse Ln. One mile on Coral Falls Rd.

Bill made a motion to approve and pay the bills. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

The mail was reviewed.

Bill made a motion to adjourn at 8:14pm. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Alysia Seliger – Clerk
Town of Rib Falls

TOWN OF RIB FALLS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

*Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order by Chairman Bill Wunsch
2. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
3. Approve Agenda
4. Review and Approve Minutes from February 14, 2023 Board Meeting
5. Public Comment: (No action will be taken, time may be limited by chair)
6. Hear & File Treasurer's Report
7. Clerk's Report
8. Supervisor's Reports
9. Road Projects for 2023
10. Approval of 2022 Annual Financial Report
11. Annual Meeting Discussion and Planning – April 17, 2024
12. Approve and Pay Bills
13. Review mail
14. Adjournment

Posted on behalf of Bill Wunsch, Chairman, at Rib Falls Town Hall and on townofribfalls.com on March 6th 2023 by Alysia Seliger, Clerk.

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MINUTES

Those present: Bill Wunsch, Randy Ross, John Hummer, Alysia Seliger, Torrie Socha, Brian Witberler, Lori Miller, Scott Pietrowski, Marsha Otto, Colette Wunsch, Jim Draeger, Susan Schmidt

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Wunsch at 7:00pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Bill made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of Item #7.5 Review and Act on Weiks' Bar and Grill Bartender License. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes from the February 14, 2023 board meeting were reviewed. John made a motion to approve the minutes as typed. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: Three road concerns: Badger Falls Rd has mud on the road that is three inches deep. Rock Falls Rd by Myszka Lumber Mill has water running out of driveway onto the road creating potholes. Limestone Falls cul-de-sac has deep ruts from the school bus turning around.

Torrie read the Treasurer's Report. Bill made a motion to file the Treasurer's Report. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Clerk's Report – February Primary Election had 187 voters, 5 absentee voters. Next election is April 4th. Election Security Grant documents showing spent money were submitted. The grant covered the cost of an election security box, our laptop security software for the year and a Chromebook for the election workers. Open Book and Board of Review will be held in July due to this being a reassessment year. Bar License and Operator's Licenses are being mailed out this week. Form CT is due in May. Need to order First Responder's Plaque.

Review and Act on Weiks' Bar and Grill Bartender License for Jen Borchardt. Bill made a motion to approve the Bartender License for Jen Borchardt. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor's Reports – Brushing has been completed. John will get weight limit permit for grader and trucks to run on county roads. Switlick hauled eight more loads of granite salt. Weight limit signs for Rock Falls Rd and Deer Creek Ln will be posted next week. A few weight limit permits have been issued for syrup hauling.

Road Projects for 2023 – Two miles on Pheasant Falls, One mile on Coral Falls, One mile on Schoolhouse Ln.

Approval of 2022 Annual Financial Report – Bill made a motion to approve the 2022 Annual Financial Report. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Annual Meeting Discussion and Planning – April 17, 2024

Bill made a motion to approve and pay the bills. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

The mail was reviewed.

Randy made a motion to adjourn at 8:14pm. John second. Motion passed unanimously.

Alysia Seliger – Clerk
Town of Rib Falls

TOWN OF RIB FALLS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

*Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order by Chairman Bill Wunsch
2. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
3. Approve Agenda
4. Review and Approve Minutes from March 14, 2023 Board Meeting
5. Public Comment: (No action will be taken, time may be limited by chair)
6. Hear & File Treasurer's Report
7. Clerk's Report
8. Supervisor's Reports
9. Annual Meeting Discussion
10. Approve and Pay Bills
11. Review mail
12. Adjournment

Posted on behalf of Bill Wunsch, Chairman, at Rib Falls Town Hall and on townofribfalls.com on April 3, 2023 by Alysia Seliger, Clerk.

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Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

MINUTES

Those present: Bill Wunsch, Randy Ross, John Hummer, Alysia Seliger, Brian Witberler, Andy Johnson, Judy Hummer, Marsha Otto, Paula Paulson, Susan Schmidt, Andy Schlagel, Larry Wendtland, Janice Wendtland, Richard Ross

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Wunsch at 7:00 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Randy made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of #9.5 Salt Shed Procedures. John second. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes from the March 14, 2023 board meeting were reviewed. Randy made a motion to approve the minutes as typed. John second. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: Check into Wind Turbine proposal and if an ordinance would be beneficial. Other towns are using a lawyer to write an ordinance to try to limit the height of towers and limit decibels of noise for any type of wind turbine usage. Our Land Use Committee will start to look into the rules for this and hold a meeting within the next month.

Alysia read the Treasurer's Report. Bill made a motion to file the Treasurer's Report. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Clerk's Report – April Election had 410 voters, 21 absentee voters. No more elections this year. Election security box was installed. There is another Election Security Grant available for \$600 to cover the costs of creating a .wi.gov website. Fire Dues Certification was completed by all Fire Departments and the Town.

Supervisor's Reports – Received phone calls about wind turbines. Received phone calls about road conditions. Broken hydraulic hose on grader. Fiber Optic cables are being place on Highland Drive and Otter Falls Trl.

Annual Meeting Discussion and Planning – Next Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday April 17, 2024 at 7 pm.

Salt Shed Procedures – Inspection was done in March. Several noncompliance issues were found. Salt Shed door must be closed after each use. Any spilled materials around the loading area must be cleaned up and scraped back into shed. Need to keep a monthly inventory spreadsheet of how much salt is being used.

Bill made a motion to approve and pay the bills. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

The mail was reviewed.

Randy made a motion to adjourn at 7:57 pm. Bill second. Motion passed unanimously.

Alysia Seliger – Clerk
Town of Rib Falls

TOWN OF RIB FALLS ANNUAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2023 - TOWN HALL at 7:00 P.M.
232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI

AGENDA

1. 7:00 P.M.: Call meeting to order; Bill Wunsch, Chairman
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Introduction of Board Members
4. Approve Agenda

OLD BUSINESS

5. Review and Approval of Minutes from April 20, 2022 Annual Meeting
6. Review and Approval of Minutes from November 10, 2022 Special Electors Meeting
7. Review and Approval of 2022 Financial Report
8. 2022 Road, Equipment and Facilities Projects Report

NEW BUSINESS

9. 2023 Road, Equipment and Facilities Planned Projects Report
10. Land Use Committee Update Report
11. Set Date for 2023 Annual Meeting as April 17, 2024 (3rd Wednesday in April)
12. Any other business that may come before the Annual Meeting
13. Adjournment

Posted on behalf of Bill Wunsch, Chairman, at Rib Falls Town Hall and on townofribfalls.com on April 13, 2023 by Alysia Seliger, Clerk

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TOWN OF RIB FALLS ANNUAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2023 - TOWN HALL at 7:00 P.M.
232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI 54426

MINUTES

Those present: Bill Wunsch, Randy Ross, John Hummer, Alysia Seliger, Torrie Socha, and 60 residents of the town.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Wunsch at 7:00pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Ryan DeBroux made a motion to vote by raise of hands for any voting decisions. TJ Draeger second. Motion carried.

The Board members were introduced: Bill Wunsch-Chairman, Randy Ross-Supervisor, John Hummer-Supervisor, Alysia Seliger-Clerk, Torrie Socha-Treasurer

Stephanie Stencil made a motion to modify the agenda with the addition of #9.5 "Discuss and Vote on a Resolution to Adopt Village Powers." Ryan DeBroux second. Motion carried. Jim Draeger approved the agenda as modified. Andy Johnson second. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Alysia read the minutes from the April 20, 2022 Annual Meeting. Dwight Tolk made a motion to approve the minutes. Alan Draeger second. Motion carried.

Alysia read the minutes from the November 10, 2022 Special Electors Meeting. Steve Stencil made a motion to approve the minutes. Ryan DeBroux second. Motion carried.

Alysia read the 2022 Financial Report. Marsha Otto made a motion to approve the report. Lori Witberler second. Motion carried.

2022 Road, Equipment and Facilities Projects Report – John gave the report.
6 miles of road total:

- Highland Drive - 1 mile \$15,000
- Hornet Falls Rd - 1 mile \$9,000
- Bearskin Trl - 1 mile \$14,000
- Schoolhouse Ln, South End – 1 mile \$13,000
- Pheasant Falls Rd - 1 mile \$15,000
- Silver Falls Trl - 1 mile \$18,000
- Ditching on Lover's Ln \$3,000
- Schoolhouse Ln Culvert \$2,000

Total Spent on Roads: \$89,000

Equipment:

- Purchased a used '94 Ford Truck from Village of Edgar \$13,000
- Tractor Repair-Wiring Harness Replacement \$2,000
- Red Plow Truck-Hydraulic Pump Repair \$1,000 & Rear End Repair \$3,000.

Total Spent on Equipment: \$19,000

Jersey Falls Trl Bridge Project (Our portion) \$24,000

Total \$132,000

NEW BUSINESS

2023 Road, Equipment and Facilities Planned Projects Report – New granite on 2 miles of Pheasant Falls Rd, 1 mile on Countryside Dr from 107 going west, 1 mile on Coral Falls Rd. Will add dust control as we granite new roads to help save the base. Jersey Falls Trl Bridge should be completed this year.

Discuss and Vote on a Resolution 2023-01 to Adopt Village Powers – 40-50 years ago the Town voted to have Village Powers. We do not have clear documents from that time. We would like to address this now to have the proper documentation. Having Village Powers gives the Town the good order to act for the health, safety and welfare of the public. Andy Johnson made a motion to approve the Resolution. Jim Draeger second. 64 Yays 1 Nay Motion carried.

Land Use Committee Update Report:

ATV/UTV – In March 2022 the ATV/UTV Ordinance was passed. It is enforced by the Sheriff's Dept. Overall feedback has been positive.

Rib Falls Park Development-Topic since 1982. The land was sold by the WI Valley Improvement Company to Marathon County. In 1984, the County Parks Dept purchased it. Every yard of material that has come out of it, has a service fee attached to it to earmark for future park development. Mining is done, and the current total should be around \$460,000. Part of the initial plan was to allow the Town to help determine what the park will look like.

Wind Turbines-Lots of calls and concerns about the potential wind turbines. The Town Planning Commission is researching information and is consulting with other townships. The PC will have a series of meetings starting next week to look at info to see what the town can do. Meetings are planned for April 25th at 7pm, May 10th at 7pm, and May 23rd at 7pm. The PC will consider mailing a survey to residents, research potential health concerns to our residents, and decide if an ordinance regarding wind energy is consistent with the town's Comprehensive Plan. The PC will then provide a recommendation to the town board for an ordinance

Town Comments/Questions about Wind Energy: When will we hire an attorney?, What will the town do to inform residents? Residents would like the Town of Lincoln, Eau Claire County-Wind Energy Facility Licensing Ordinance entered into the minutes as an example for our township. A nonresident discussed her personal experience in IL with having windmills go up near her family property.

Taryn Stittleburg-Riesgraf made a motion for the board to adopt the ordinance of the Town of Lincoln-Eau Claire County: Wind Energy Facility Licensing Ordinance (WEF Ordinance), until the Town of Rib Falls revises that ordinance to their needs and public desires, within the shortest allotted time, through Jarchow Law or another attorney, in the event an attorney is needed. Andy Schlagel second. 57 Yays 4 Nays Motion carried.

Ryan DeBroux made a motion to hold the 2023 Annual Meeting on Wednesday April 17, 2024 at 7:00pm. TJ Draeger second. Motion carried.

Any other business that may come before the Annual Meeting – Question regarding whether town residents can get the town rate for dust control if they have it applied at the same time as the town is applying it to roads that are being worked on. Residents would need to contact the dust control company to check if they allow this. Dust control and granite bids will be opened at the May 9th board meeting.

Karri Moodie gave the First Responders Report. Hamburg EMS covers over 4 townships. They have 17 EMRs. This year they had 86 calls total. 15 of those were in our township this year, compared to 24 in Rib Falls last year. Community involvement: Truck or Treat at the Fire Station- 105 kids attended. Signed up for Adopt-a-Highway on 107 from Hwy A to Countryside Dr. Participate in Fired up for Reading at Maple Grove every Wednesday morning where they read to the elementary school kids. Toys for Tots- help sort donated toys for the kids who need them. Applied for Flex Grant to purchase a new sign at the Fire Station, also received radios, training mannequins, and a smartboard for in house training. Total Grant money was \$53,000. Fundraisers: Fall Mums, Tractor Pull, & Edgar Steam Engine Show raised almost \$7,800 through fundraisers. Water Rescue training will take place in Rib Falls through Wings of Hope on June 10th, 2023.

Marsha Otto made a motion to adjourn the Annual Meeting at 9:06 pm. Torrie Socha second. Motion carried.

Alysia Seliger – Clerk
Town of Rib Falls

TOWN OF RIB FALLS
2022 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING: Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.
RIB FALLS TOWN HALL

2022 REVENUES:

TAXES COLLECTED:

2022 Tax Roll Collected	\$	1,167,591.38
Tax Settlement from County		43,420.17
Forest Crop Tax		228.92
Lottery Credit		7,168.60

TOTAL TAXES COLLECTED:

\$ 1,218,409.07

INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE:

Jersey Falls Trail Bridge Reimbursement	4,775.25
State Shared Revenue	32,253.93
2% State Fire Premium	3,769.61
State Highway Aid	119,170.45
Personal Property Aid	346.08
WI Election Commission Grant	1,200.00
Recycling Grant (DNR)	2,566.50

TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE:

164,081.82

LICENSES AND PERMITS:

Tavern and Operators	155.00
Dog Licenses	560.00

TOTAL LICENSES AND PERMITS:

715.00

PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERVICES:

Fire Runs	274.80
Culverts/Plowing/Mowing/Granite/Permits	1,245.00

TOTAL PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERVICES:

1,519.80

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE:

American Recovery Funds Act	54,846.32
Interest	2,205.38
Garbage & Recycling Program	63,173.64
Town Hall Rentals	1,275.00
Old Tire and Appliance Day	555.70
ATV/UTV Funds Raised	2,562.00
First Responder Contributions	525.00
Computer Aid	7.27

TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE:

125,150.31

TOTAL 2022 REVENUES:

\$ 1,509,876.00

2022 EXPENDITURES:

LEGISLATIVE COMPENSATION:

(includes base salary/additional meetings/auto/dog fees)

Bill Wunsch, Chairman	\$	4,594.92
Randy Ross, Supervisor #1		999.96
John Hummer, Supervisor #2		3,758.28
Torrie Socha, Treasurer		4,598.00
Alysia Seliger, Clerk		9,072.50

TOTAL LEGISLATIVE COMPENSATION:

23,023.66

OTHER COMPENSATION:

Jeremy Kurtzweil, Assessor	8,000.00
Election Workers	2,109.00
Karl Behnke, Animal Control	50.00

TOTAL OTHER COMPENSATION:

10,159.00

OFFICE EXPENSE:

Board	326.87
Clerk	1,791.34
FICA (Town Share)	6,480.25
Election Supplies and Training	598.53
Town Dues & Subscriptions	1,543.32
Legal Notices and Fees	628.67
Postage and Printing	2,240.04

TOTAL OFFICE EXPENSE:

13,609.02

PUBLIC SAFETY AND RECYCLING:

Ambulance/Fire Dept/Tankers	37,173.77
First Responders	7,242.00
Garbage & Recycling Program	68,905.12
ATV/UTV Trails	941.82
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY AND RECYCLING:	<u>114,262.71</u>

TAXES PAID TO OTHERS:

Marathon County/State of Wisconsin	301,393.37
Marathon County Dog Licenses	1,347.00
School Districts	648,105.26
Northcentral Technical College	79,403.14
Forest Crop Tax	2,516.43
TOTAL TAXES PAID TO OTHERS:	<u>1,032,765.20</u>

HIGHWAY EXPENSE:

Town Employee Wages	63,495.11
Jersey Falls Trail Bridge Replacement	23,884.46
1994 Plow Truck Purchase	12,633.00
Contract Labor	3,775.00
Equipment Rental	996.50
Road Materials	91,188.01
Fuel/Oil	12,678.82
Other Highway Expense	145.00
Medical Benefits	396.85
Cell Phone	360.00
Heat	2,126.14
Electric	892.83
Insurance	11,570.00
Repairs/Maintenance/Tools	9,505.35
TOTAL HIGHWAY EXPENSE:	<u>233,647.07</u>

TOWN HALL EXPENSES:

Cynthia Wasmundt, Janitor Wages	1,510.50
Town Hall Telephone	329.52
Other Hall Expenses	601.69
TOTAL TOWN HALL EXPENSES:	<u>2,441.71</u>

TOTAL 2022 EXPENDITURES:

\$ 1,429,908.37

Beginning Balance 1-1-2022	\$ 235,557.12
2022 Tax payments received in Dec 2021	461,984.81
2023 Tax payments received in Dec 2022	(484,928.37)
Add Total Revenues 2022	1,509,876.00
Deduct Total Expenditures 2022	<u>(1,429,908.37)</u>
Ending Balance 12-31-2022	<u>\$ 292,581.19</u>

We, the Town Board of the Town of Rib Falls, certify that the above financial statement required by State Statutes 60.41 is the statement of the receipts, disbursements and condition of the township. Dated this 14th day of March 2023; Bill Wunsch, Chairman; Randy Ross, Supervisor; John Hummer, Supervisor.

Balance of Accounts:

American Recovery Funds	\$ 13,392.07
Checking Account	\$ 74,156.44
First Responder Savings	1575.01
ATV/UTV Funds Raised	374.75
Allocated Funds	205,032.68
Bridge Projects	110,000.00
Equipment Replacement	80,032.68
Right-of-Way Clearing	15,000.00
Tax Savings Account*	
Tax Checking Account	
Outstanding Checks	
Balance as of 12-31-2022	<u>\$ 292,581.19</u>
Balance Minus ARFA Funds	<u>\$ 279,189.12</u>

*2022 Tax Payments payable in 2023 received in 2022 in the amount of \$484,916.76 and interest of \$11.35 not included in the total

TOWN OF RIB FALLS SPECIAL BOARD MEETING NOTICE

*Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

AGENDA

The Rib Falls Town Supervisors and Chairman will meet at the Town Hall to review and sign a legal contract with Jarchow Law, LLC for legal assistance for the Wind Energy Facility Licensing Ordinance.

1. Call Meeting to Order by Chairman Bill Wunsch
2. Approve Agenda
3. Review and sign a legal contract with Jarchow Law LLC
4. Adjournment

Posted on behalf of Bill Wunsch, Chairman, at Rib Falls Town Hall and on townofribfalls.com on April 21, 2023 by Alysia Seliger, Clerk

TOWN OF RIB FALLS SPECIAL BOARD MEETING NOTICE

*Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

MINUTES

Those present: Bill Wunsch, John Hummer, Randy Ross, Alysia Seliger

The meeting was called to Order by Chairman Bill Wunsch at 7:00pm.

John made a motion to approve the agenda. Bill second. Motion carried.

The Jarchow Law LLC legal contract for the Wind Energy Facility Licensing Ordinance was reviewed. John made a motion to approve and sign the contract. Randy second. Motion carried.

Bill made a motion to adjourn at 7:02pm. John second. Motion carried.

Alysia Seliger – Clerk
Town of Rib Falls

TOWN OF RIB FALLS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

*Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order by Chairman Bill Wunsch
2. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
3. Approve Agenda
4. Review and Approve Minutes from April 11, 2023 Board Meeting
5. Review and Approve Minutes from April 26, 2023 Special Board Meeting
6. 7:15 P.M. - Open Granite Bids and Dust Control Bids
7. Public Comment: (No action will be taken, time may be limited by chair)
8. Hear & File Treasurer's Report
9. Clerk's Report
10. Supervisor's and Chairman Reports
11. Consider and Possibly Adopt Wind Energy Facility Licensing Ordinance
12. Approve and Pay Bills
13. Review Mail
14. Adjournment

Posted on behalf of Bill Wunsch, Chairman, at Rib Falls Town Hall and on townofribfalls.com on May 2, 2023 by Alysia Seliger, Clerk.

Townspeople requiring assistance to enable attendance and participation are to provide the Town Clerk at least 24 hours notice.

TOWN OF RIB FALLS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.

Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI

MINUTES

Those present: Bill Wunsch, Randy Ross, John Hummer, Alysia Seliger, Torrie Socha, Marsha Otto, Marla Berg, Colette Wunsch, Judy Hummer, Andy Johnson, Brian Witberler, Susan Schmidt and two representatives from Worden Enterprises

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Wunsch at 7:00pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Randy made a motion to approve the agenda. Bill second. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes from the April 11, 2023 Board Meeting were reviewed. Bill made a motion to approve the minutes as typed. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes from the April 26, 2023 Special Board Meeting were reviewed. John made a motion to approve the minutes as typed. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

The Granite and Dust Control Bids were opened at 7:15pm.

Worden:

\$9.43/yd Screened Granite

\$9.00/yd Pit Run

\$10.40/yd Breaker

Kafka:

\$9.84/yd Screened Granite

\$9.25/yd Pit Run

\$11.84/yd Breaker Run

Red Rock:

\$10.70/yd Screened Granite

\$10.00/yd Pit Run

\$13.25/yd Breaker Run

Bill made a motion to accept Worden's Granite Bid. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

WI Salt Solutions Dust Control:

\$1.34/Gallon + .14 cents for Beet Juice Road Binder, Quote Only

No Dust Control Bids Received. Will contact Kafka to see if they would like to submit a bid.

Public Comment: Randy was contacted by two residents saying they were not happy with how the brush was cut off with stubs left because there was snow on the ground at the time it was cut. Resident worried about how much enacting the Wind Energy Ordinance could cost the town.

Torrie read the Treasurer's Report. Bill made a motion to file the Treasurer's Report. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Clerk's Report – Working on finishing up the Form CT filing for 2022 and the Recycling Grant reporting for 2022 tonnage. Filed the yearly report for the ARPA Funds. Need to look into the Annual QuickBooks subscription, it is scheduled to renew on May 31st. There was a recount request by a candidate on the ballot for the April election, but the deadline to file the paperwork was missed. The state said it was the candidate's responsibility to know the deadline for filing the request.

Supervisor's and Chairman Reports – There was a hole in the road on Shepherd Falls, Brian filled. PASER rating is due this year. Edgar Tanker Meeting was last week and our Annual Dues will be raised \$5 per section in 2024. We had issues with the Grader, Rib Falls Repair fixed it. Badger Falls Rd is breaking up, will need Athens Hard Rock on it. The bridge on Jersey Falls Trl will be started in Aug. Brian & John need to figure out blade order for County and how much granite/salt we need to order.

Consider and Possibly Adopt Wind Energy Facility Licensing Ordinance – Land Use Committee met last week. They recommend the Town Board approve the ordinance due to three items in our Comprehensive Plan: 1) The Town of Rib Falls wants to preserve farmland and encourage agricultural production, 2) Land Division regulations ensure the orderly development of undeveloped land-there are procedures and standards for dividing a large parcel of land into smaller parcels to make sure they don't conflict with surrounding land uses or cause unreasonable burdens on provisions of services, 3) Impact of our Right-of-Way/Chapter 13 Ordinance. Concerns that were brought up by the Land Use Committee & Town Board - Private Property rights of landowners being infringed upon; the ordinance has several references that would fall back on the Town if the ordinance were to be challenged and we aren't set up financially for the potential costs to enforce the provisions of the ordinance. Residents at the Annual Meeting were made aware of the tax increases that would need to happen to cover the fees of enforcing it and whether this would even be enforceable against a large company. The Town Board would have liked to mail a survey to residents and to have done our diligent research prior to addressing the Ordinance, but due to the motion and directive given by the Town Residents at the Annual Meeting, we have been tied to passing it. Biggest way to prevent wind energy at this point is to not sign contracts. We may need to revisit this topic in the future when we review our Comprehensive Plan. Randy made a motion to follow the requests of the town residents that we adopt the Wind Energy Licensing Ordinance. Roll call vote: Randy-yes, John-yes, Bill-yes, Motion passes.

Bill made a motion to approve and pay the bills. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

The mail was reviewed.

Bill made a motion to adjourn at 7:59pm. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Alysia Seliger – Clerk
Town of Rib Falls

TOWN OF RIB FALLS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

*Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order by Chairman Bill Wunsch
2. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
3. Approve Agenda
4. Review and Approve Minutes from May 9, 2023 Board Meeting
5. Public Comment: (No action will be taken, time may be limited by chair)
6. Hear & File Treasurer's Report
7. Clerk's Report
8. Supervisor's and Chairman Reports
9. Review and Act on Weiks' Pub & Grill Liquor License and Operator's Licenses
10. Continue 2023 Road Discussion
11. Approve and Pay Bills
12. Review mail
13. Adjournment

Posted on behalf of Bill Wunsch, Chairman, at Rib Falls Town Hall and on townofribfalls.com on June 5, 2023 by Alysia Seliger, Clerk.

Townspeople requiring assistance to enable attendance and participation are to provide the Town Clerk at least 24 hours notice.

TOWN OF RIB FALLS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.

Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI

MINUTES

Those present: Bill Wunsch, Randy Ross, John Hummer, Alysia Seliger, Torrie Socha, Colette Wunsch, Brian Witberler, Jim Draeger, Andrew Schlagel, Lori Miller, Susan Schmidt, Stephanie Stencil

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Wunsch at 7:00pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

John made a motion to approve the agenda. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes from the May 9, 2023 board meeting were reviewed. Randy made a motion to approve the minutes as typed. Bill second. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: None

Torrie read the Treasurer's Report. Bill made a motion to file the Treasurer's Report. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Clerk's Report – Form CT was submitted. Annual Recycling Grant was submitted. QuickBooks subscription renewed. Refund for AED's was received.

Supervisor's and Chairman Reports – Contacted by a citizen about the intersection of Shepherd Falls Rd and Hwy U, visibility to the east is restricted by branches. Will follow up with the land owner regarding trimming of the branches. We need to work on the PASER ratings this summer. Shepherd Falls Rd has been dust controlled due to it being a haul road. A resident on Grass Creek Ln asked about pouring a driveway on the property line, but driveways need to stay 75 ft from property lines. Hydraulic pump on JD Tractor was replaced. Several complaints about four-wheelers and cars tearing up the intersection of Schoolhouse Ln and Skye Falls Dr. Dust control was ordered last week. For residents who did personal dust control, we will still grade the roads if needed.

Review and Act on Weiks' Pub & Grill Liquor License and Operator's Licenses – Bill made a motion to approve the Weiks' Pub & Grill Liquor License along with the Operator's Licenses for Robert Weiks Jr, Colleen Handrick, Tracey Seehafer, Jen Borchardt. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Continue 2023 Road Discussion - Pigeon Falls Rd needs 3-4 more loads. Pigeon Falls Rd - 593 yds, \$5,592. Countryside Dr - 2,022 yds, \$19,067. Pheasant Falls Rd- 2 miles, 2,106 yds, \$19,860. Will check on the road that we were promised 20 loads of granite for.

Randy made a motion to approve and pay the bills. Bill second. Motion passed unanimously.

The mail was reviewed.

Randy made a motion to adjourn at 7:44pm. John second. Motion passed unanimously.

Alysia Seliger – Clerk
Town of Rib Falls

TOWN OF RIB FALLS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

*Tuesday, July 11, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order by Chairman Bill Wunsch
2. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
3. Approve Agenda
4. Review and Approve Minutes from June 13, 2023 Board Meeting
5. Public Comment: (No action will be taken, time will be limited by chair)
6. Hear & File Treasurer's Report
7. Clerk's Report
8. Supervisor's and Chairman Reports
9. Act on Conditional Use Permit Request submitted by Morgan Sand and Gravel LLC for Nonmetallic Mine Expansion - Resolution 2-2023
10. County Modification of Chapter 17.204.01 Regarding Chickens
11. Schedule Old Tire and Appliance Day as August 26th
12. Approve and Pay Bills
13. Review mail
14. Adjournment

Posted on behalf of Bill Wunsch, Chairman, at Rib Falls Town Hall and on townofribfalls.com on July 5, 2023 by Alysia Seliger, Clerk.

Townspeople requiring assistance to enable attendance and participation are to provide the Town Clerk at least 24 hours notice.

TOWN OF RIB FALLS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

*Tuesday, July 11, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

MINUTES

Those present: Bill Wunsch, Randy Ross, John Hummer, Alysia Seliger, Torrie Socha, Brian Witberler, Colette Wunsch, Marsha Otto, Jim Draeger, Stephanie Stencil, Gordy Stieber

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Wunsch at 7:00pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Randy made a motion to move Item 9 to Item 5.5 and to approve the agenda. John second. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes from the June 13, 2023 board meeting were reviewed. Bill made a motion to approve the minutes as typed. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: None

Act on Conditional Use Permit Request submitted by Morgan Sand and Gravel LLC for Nonmetallic Mine Expansion - Resolution 2-2023 - Randy made a motion to approve Resolution 2-2023 to approve the application for an expansion of nonmetallic mining by Morgan Sand and Gravel to expand their open pit mine. John second. Motion passed unanimously.

Torrie read the Treasurer's Report. Bill made a motion to file the Treasurer's Report. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Clerk's Report – Need to file the Quarterly Reports.

Supervisor's and Chairman Reports - Took care of branches blocking view on Hwy U and Shepherd Falls Rd. Reviewed ditching done by a resident on Coral Falls, it looked fine after the rain. WI Towns Association meeting will be on July 27th at Memories Ballroom. Board of Review and Open Book should be held sometime in August. Jersey Falls Trl bridge will be started next week and will be completed first part of Sept. AED refund received, replacements were ordered by First Responders, we will reimburse once they receive the AED's. Shared Revenue will be increased to \$78,133 starting next year. We put five loads of gravel on Bulldog Trl and three loads on Pigeon Falls Trl to finish it. Next month, we will do Rock Falls Rd, finish up Nugget Falls Trl and do Coral Falls Trl for a total of 2 miles. There were questions on County Zoning vs Town Zoning – We adopted the Zoning Code for Marathon County which supersedes all prior town zoning. The Topic of Shared Driveways was discussed – Three shared driveways were put in during the last eight years without an issue. A Resolution was signed in 2008 which states that the town will create an Ordinance for each residential site to establish a unique and dedicated driveway to access a town road, however, an Ordinance was never passed after this discussion to make this enforceable. The state and county regulate building and make sure regulations are followed and county zoning allows shared driveways. Uniform addressing will have two signs at the road, and separate signs where the driveway forks for emergency services.

County Modification of Chapter 17.204.01 Regarding Chickens – Petition from Town of Knowlton to Reduce the Minimum Lot Size Needed to House Chickens. The proposed wording for the update to Chapter 17.204.01 is as follows: The minimum lot size for housing chickens and fowl is .5 acre for up to 6 chickens or fowl, and 1 acre for up to 12 chickens or fowl. Bill made a motion for the Town of Rib Falls to support and the Town of Knowlton's petition for chicken housing. John second. Motion passed unanimously.

Schedule Old Tire and Appliance Day as August 26th from 8am-Noon. Appliances \$10, Tires 19" and Under - \$4 each or \$15 for 4. Tires 20" and larger - \$15 each. Waste Oil – No Charge. Electronics \$20 each.

Bill made a motion to approve and pay the bills. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

The mail was reviewed.

Randy made a motion to adjourn at 7:58pm. Bill second. Motion passed unanimously.

Alysia Seliger – Clerk
Town of Rib Falls

TOWN OF RIB FALLS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

*Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order by Chairman Bill Wunsch
2. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
3. Approve Agenda
4. Review and Approve Minutes from July 11, 2023 Board Meeting
5. Public Comment: (No action will be taken, time will be limited by chair)
6. Hear & File Treasurer's Report
7. Clerk's Report
8. Supervisor's and Chairman Reports
9. Plan Old Tire and Appliance Day as August 26th
10. Approve and Pay Bills
11. Review mail
12. Adjournment

Posted on behalf of Bill Wunsch, Chairman, at Rib Falls Town Hall and on townofribfalls.com on July 31, 2023 by Alysia Seliger, Clerk.

Townspeople requiring assistance to enable attendance and participation are to provide the Town Clerk at least 24 hours notice.

TOWN OF RIB FALLS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

*Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

MINUTES

Those present: Bill Wunsch, John Hummer, Randy Ross, Alysia Seliger, Torrie Socha, Brian Witberler, Colette Wunsch, Marsha Otto, Susan Schmidt

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Wunsch at 7:00pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

John made a motion to approve the agenda. Bill second. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes from the July 11, 2023 board meeting were reviewed. Bill made a motion to approve the minutes as typed. John second. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: Question on reassessment for Town of Rib Falls. Residents should be receiving a notice in the mail soon. Board of Review and Open Book will be held in Sept.

Torrie read the Treasurer's Report. Bill made a motion to file the Treasurer's Report. John second. Motion passed unanimously.

Clerk's Report – Contacted Power Plan for a refund. Randy and John need to complete the Board of Review certification. Tentatively, Open Book will be held Sept 18th and Board of Review will be held Sept 25th.

Supervisor's and Chairman Reports –We had three loads of dust control delivered, it should cost about \$6,000 per load for a total of \$18,000. If we have any funds left for the year, we will need 4 new rear tires for the 1-ton truck and we also could use 4 new rear tires for the grader.

Plan Old Tire and Appliance Day as August 26th from 8am-Noon.

Bill made a motion to approve and pay the bills. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

The mail was reviewed.

Randy made a motion to adjourn at 7:41pm. Bill second. Motion passed unanimously.

Alysia Seliger – Clerk
Town of Rib Falls

TOWN OF RIB FALLS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

*Tuesday September 12, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order by Chairman Bill Wunsch
2. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
3. Approve Agenda
4. Review and Approve Minutes from August 8, 2023 Board Meeting
5. Public Comment: (No action will be taken, time will be limited by chair)
6. Discuss and Adopt Land Use Planning Commission Resolution 03-2023 (Matthie Rezone from General Ag and Urban Residential to Rural Residential)
7. Hear & File Treasurer's Report
8. Clerk's Report
9. Supervisor's and Chairman Reports
10. Review and Act on Weiks' Pub & Grill Operator's License
11. Open Book September 18th 3-7 PM and Board of Review September 25th 5-7 PM
12. Discuss 2024 Town Budget and Tax Levy
13. Approve and Pay Bills
14. Review mail
15. Adjournment

Posted on behalf of Bill Wunsch, Chairman, at Rib Falls Town Hall and on townofribfalls.com on September 4, 2023 by Alysia Seliger, Clerk.

Townpeople requiring assistance to enable attendance and participation are to provide the Town Clerk at least 24 hours notice.

TOWN OF RIB FALLS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

*Tuesday September 12, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

MINUTES

Those present: Bill Wunsch, John Hummer, Randy Ross, Alysia Seliger, Brian Witberler, Marsha Otto, Colette Wunsch, Judy Hummer, Stephanie Stencil, Susan Schmidt, Karen Lemanski

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Wunsch at 7:00pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Randy made a motion to approve the agenda. John second. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes from the August 8, 2023 board meeting were reviewed. Bill made a motion to approve the minutes with the modification of the dust control loads being \$6,000 each for a total of \$18,000. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: Issues with dust on Highland Dr, between 107 and Schoolhouse Lane - it was blacktop, now it is gravel. Will look at this road for next year, possibly applying a layer of granite and then topping with dust control.

Discuss and Adopt Land Use Planning Commission Resolution 03-2023 Matthie Rezone - Randy made a motion to approve the Matthie Rezone from General Ag and Urban Residential to Rural Residential. John second. Motion passed unanimously.

Torrie read the Treasurer's Report. Bill made a motion to file the Treasurer's Report. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Clerk's Report – Ordered a new mop bucket for cleaning the Town Hall. Old Tire & Recycling Day total: \$1,468. Both election machines need to be taken to the courthouse for servicing in October. Recycling Grant needs to be filed by October 2. Submitted paperwork to the County for reimbursement for half of our bridge expenses. Tax season postage stamps and ink were ordered.

Supervisor's and Chairman Reports – Phone call from a Highland Drive resident regarding dust and washboard conditions, Brian graded the road. Brain ordered new tires for the 1 Ton truck and the rear end of the grader. Jersey Falls Bridge work update: will start forming the deck, sides are done, backfilled, rip rap in, east side needed to be drilled deeper with larger/longer pilings, work is currently ahead of schedule. County said that we are able to submit the \$100,000 that we are responsible for and will receive 50% reimbursement in 2025.

Review and Act on Weiks' Pub & Grill Operator's License – Bill made a motion to approve the Operator's License for Alexa Borter. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Open Book will be held on September 18th from 3-7 PM and Board of Review will be held on September 25th from 5-7 PM.

Discuss 2024 Town Budget and Tax Levy – Shared Revenue will go up \$30-40k.

Bill made a motion to approve and pay the bills. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

The mail was reviewed.

Randy made a motion to adjourn at 8:18pm. John second. Motion passed unanimously.

Alysia Seliger – Clerk
Town of Rib Falls

TOWN OF RIB FALLS BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING

*Monday, September 25, 2023 at 5:00 P.M.
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order by Chairman Bill Wunsch
2. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
3. Nomination and Election of Board of Review Chairman
4. Approve Agenda
5. Receipt of Assessment Roll from Clerk
6. Examination of Assessment Roll and Corrections Made if Needed
7. 7:00 PM Adjournment

Posted on behalf of Bill Wunsch, Chairman, at Rib Falls Town Hall and on townofribfalls.com on September 13, 2023 by Alysia Seliger, Clerk.

Townspeople requiring assistance to enable attendance and participation are to provide the Town Clerk at least 24 hours notice.

TOWN OF RIB FALLS BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING

*Monday, September 25, 2023 at 5:00 P.M.
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

MINUTES

Those present: Bill Wunsch, Randy Ross, John Hummer, Jeremy Kurtzweil, Marsha Otto

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Wunsch at 5:00pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

John nominated Randy as the Board of Review Chairman. Bill second. Motion passed unanimously.

Bill made a motion to approve the agenda. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

The Assessment Roll was received from the Deputy Clerk. There were no objections or complaints.

Bill made a motion to adjourn at 7:00pm. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Marsha Otto – Deputy Clerk
Town of Rib Falls

Alysia Seliger – Clerk
Town of Rib Falls

TOWN OF RIB FALLS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

*Tuesday October 10, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order by Chairman Bill Wunsch
2. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
3. Approve Agenda
4. Review and Approve Minutes from September 12, 2023 Board Meeting
5. Public Comment: (No action will be taken, time may be limited by Chairman)
6. Hear & File Treasurer's Report
7. Clerk's Report
8. Supervisor's and Chairman Reports
9. Road and Equipment
10. Adopt Resolution 04-2023 Special Assessment Resolution for Town Garbage/Recycling
11. Review and Discuss 2024 Town Budget and 2023 Tax Levy
12. Approve and Pay Bills
13. Review Mail
14. Adjournment

Posted on behalf of Bill Wunsch, Chairman, at Rib Falls Town Hall and on townofribfalls.com on October 3, 2023 by Alysia Seliger, Clerk.

Townspeople requiring assistance to enable attendance and participation are to provide the Town Clerk at least 24 hours notice.

TOWN OF RIB FALLS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Tuesday October 10, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI

MINUTES

Those present: Bill Wunsch, Randy Ross, John Hummer, Alysia Seliger, Torrie Socha, Brian Witberler, Judy Hummer, Colette Wunsch, Steve Stencil

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Wunsch at 7:00pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Randy made a motion to approve the agenda. John second. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes from the September 12, 2023 board meeting were reviewed. John made a motion to approve the minutes. Bill second. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: None

Torrie read the Treasurer's Report. Bill made a motion to file the Treasurer's Report. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Clerk's Report – Marsha Otto was appointed as Deputy Clerk for the purpose of the Board of Review due to Alysia's absence. The Recycling Grant Application for 2024 was filed. Working on the budget. Need to file quarterly reports. Reassessment increase is not showing up on the Municipal Levy Limit Worksheet, working with the Department of Revenue to get this fixed.

Supervisor's and Chairman Reports – Picked up plow blades from the County. Installed a new oil pan on the patrol truck. Put new tires on the 1T truck. 1/3 mile of ditching done on Coral Falls. Jersey Falls Trail bridge asphalt will be laid tomorrow, Brian will grade after they are done. Marathon Fire Department is increasing their fire contract prices. We signed a contract for 2024-2027 prices in January.

Adopt Resolution 04-2023 Special Assessment Resolution for Town Garbage/Recycling – Randy made a motion to adopt Resolution 04-2023 to set the garbage and recycling tax roll special charge to \$18.99 per household, per month, for a total of \$227.88 per year, per household. Bill second. Motion passed unanimously.

Review and Discuss 2024 Town Budget and 2023 Tax Levy – Working on finalizing the budget. Need to publish in the Record Review once completed. Budget Hearing will be held Nov 14th at 7pm.

Bill made a motion to approve and pay the bills. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

The mail was reviewed.

Randy made a motion to adjourn at 7:43pm. Bill second. Motion passed unanimously.

Alysia Seliger – Clerk
Town of Rib Falls

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING
TOWN OF RIB FALLS, MARATHON COUNTY**

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 7:00 PM at the Rib Falls Town Hall a PUBLIC HEARING on the PROPOSED 2024 BUDGET of the Town of Rib Falls in Marathon County will be held. The proposed budget in detail is available for inspection by appointment by calling: Alysia Seliger, Clerk at 715-551-8118. The following is a summary of the proposed 2024 budget:

BUDGET SUMMARY FOR TOWN OF RIB FALLS

	Estimated 2023	Proposed 2024
PROPOSED REVENUES:		
LOCAL LEVY	\$ 156,695	\$ 156,695
GARBAGE RECYCLING SPECIAL CHARGE	71,155	82,493
SHARED REVENUE	32,254	78,131
TRANSPORTATION AID	121,527	121,526
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES	13,411	13,756
JERSEY FALLS TRAIL BRIDGE REIMBURSEMENT	8,073	8,811
LICENSES	838	850
MISC INCOME	14,020	9,157
ALLOCATIONS FUND TRANSFER	121,000	4,000
TOTAL PROPOSED REVENUES:	<u>\$ 538,973</u>	<u>\$ 475,419</u>
PROPOSED EXPENDITURES:		
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 69,163	\$ 76,550
GARBAGE RECYCLING PROGRAM	82,493	86,205
FIRE/AMBULANCE PROTECTION	43,814	47,041
HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES	227,534	241,623
JERSEY FALLS TRAIL BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	95,970	4,000
ALLOCATIONS FUND TRANSFER	20,000	20,000
TOTAL PROPOSED EXPENDITURES:	<u>\$ 538,973</u>	<u>\$ 475,419</u>

NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

A Special Town Meeting of the electors will immediately follow completion of the Public Hearing on the proposed budget, pursuant to Sec. 60.12 (1)(c) of WI Statutes:

1. To adopt the 2023 tax levy to be paid in 2024 pursuant to Sec. 60.10(1)(a) of the WI Statutes.
2. To establish the hourly wage to be paid to an elected Town officer for serving as a Town employee pursuant to Sec. 60.37 (4)(b) of WI Statutes.

NOTICE OF TOWN BOARD MEETING

A Town Board Meeting will immediately follow completion of the Special Town Meeting of electors for the following purpose:

1. For the Town Board to discuss and adopt the Year 2024 Budget for the Town of Rib Falls, Marathon County, WI
2. To conduct normal monthly Town business.

Dated this 24th day of October, 2023

By: Alysia Seliger, Clerk

TOWN OF RIB FALLS SPECIAL ELECTORS MEETING

***Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. or Immediately Following Budget Hearing
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI***

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order Immediately Following Budget Hearing by Chairman Bill Wunsch
2. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
3. Approve Agenda
4. Public Comment: (No action will be taken, time may be limited by chair)
5. Discussion and Vote on Adopting the 2023 Tax Levy to be paid in 2024
6. Discussion and Vote on wages to be Paid to Town Supervisors when working in a nonsupervisory capacity
7. Adjournment

Posted on behalf of Bill Wunsch, Chairman, at Rib Falls Town Hall and on townofribfalls.com on November 7, 2023 by Alysia Seliger, Clerk.

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TOWN OF RIB FALLS SPECIAL ELECTORS MEETING

***Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. or Immediately Following Budget Hearing
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI***

MINUTES

Those present: Bill Wunsch, Randy Ross, John Hummer, Alysia Seliger, Torrie Socha, Brian Witherler, Marsha Otto, Dennis Bergs, Don Koeller, Ann Seubert

The meeting was called to order immediately following the Budget Hearing by Chairman Bill Wunsch at 7:02pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited prior to the Budget Hearing.

Marsha made a motion to approve the agenda. Don second. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: None

Discussion and Vote on Adopting the 2023 Tax Levy to be paid in 2024. Dennis made a motion to approve the 2023 Tax Levy of \$156,695 to be paid in 2024. Marsha second. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and Vote on wages to be Paid to Town Supervisors when working in a Nonsupervisory capacity:

- Marsha made a motion to keep the wage at \$20/hr. Denny second. Roll call vote did not pass.
- Denny made a motion to raise the wage to \$25/hr. Don second. Roll call vote did not pass.
- Randy made a motion to raise the wage to \$22.50/hr. Ann second. 8 in favor, 2 no. Motion passed.

Ann made a motion to adjourn at 7:13pm. Marsha second. Motion passed unanimously.

Alysia Seliger – Clerk
Town of Rib Falls

TOWN OF RIB FALLS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

*Tuesday November 14, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. or Immediately Following Town Electors Meeting
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order by Chairman Bill Wunsch
2. Approve Agenda
3. Review and Approve Minutes from October 10, 2023 Board Meeting
4. Public Comment: (No action will be taken, time may be limited by Chairman)
5. Hear & File Treasurer's Report
6. Clerk's Report
7. Review and Act on Weiks' Pub & Grill Operator License
8. Supervisor's and Chairman Reports
9. Discussion and Adoption of 2024 Town Budget
10. Approve and Pay Bills
11. Review Mail
12. Adjournment

Posted on behalf of Bill Wunsch, Chairman, at Rib Falls Town Hall and on townofribfalls.com on November 7, 2023 by Alysia Seliger, Clerk.

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TOWN OF RIB FALLS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

*Tuesday November 14, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. or Immediately Following Town Electors Meeting
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

MINUTES

Those present: Bill Wunsch, Randy Ross, John Hummer, Alysia Seliger, Torrie Socha, Brian Witberler, Marsha Otto, Dennis Bergs, Don Koeller, Ann Seubert

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Wunsch at 7:13pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited before the Budget Hearing.

Randy made a motion to approve the agenda. John second. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes from the October 10, 2023 board meeting were reviewed. John made a motion to approve the minutes with the change of saw blades to plow blades in the Supervisor's Report. Bill second. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: Discussion on Marathon Fire Contract raising their rates. We signed a contract in January.

Torrie read the Treasurer's Report. Bill made a motion to file the Treasurer's Report. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Clerk's Report – The Municipal Levy Limit Worksheet shows our Town Tax Levy amount as the same as the prior year. Due to this being a reassessment year and the net new construction property values being reported after the Department of Revenue's deadline, we will not see the net new construction amount increase for this tax year. Working on entering all the property tax info into the tax software. The election equipment was serviced by the County and is ready for the next election cycle.

Review and Act on Weiks' Pub & Grill Operator License – Bill made a motion to approve the Operator's License for Maureen Anklam. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor's and Chairman Reports – Switlick did ditching on Coral Falls Rd and also lined it with rock. We will keep an eye on the culverts on Pheasant Falls Rd and Deer Creek Ln. A driveway culvert was installed on Pheasant Falls Rd, but it does not have endwalls yet. We will put weight limit signs on Deer Creek Ln until ground freezes due to increased traffic. Brian and John made room in the shop for the old orange patrol truck. PASER ratings came back, will start working on road project plan for next year. The County asked for letters supporting internet access funding in rural areas, Bill wrote a letter of support.

Discussion and Adoption of 2024 Town Budget – Randy made a motion to adopt the 2024 Town Budget as published. John second. Motion passed unanimously.

Bill made a motion to approve and pay the bills. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

The mail was reviewed.

Randy made a motion to adjourn at 8:14pm. Bill second. Motion passed unanimously.

Alysia Seliger – Clerk

Town of Rib Falls

TOWN OF RIB FALLS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

*Tuesday December 12, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order by Chairman Bill Wunsch
2. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
3. Approve Agenda
4. Review and Approve Minutes from November 14, 2023 Board Meeting
5. Public Comment: (No action will be taken and time may be limited by Chairman)
6. Hear & File Treasurer's Report
7. Clerk's Report
8. Supervisors and Chairman Reports
9. Town Fund Balances, Funds Transfers to Allocations and People's Bank Investing Options
10. Town Employee Compensation
11. Marathon Fire Contract Proposal
12. Approve and Pay Bills
13. Review Mail
14. Adjournment

Posted on behalf of Bill Wunsch, Chairman, at Rib Falls Town Hall and on townofribfalls.com on December 5, 2023 by Alysia Seliger, Clerk.

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TOWN OF RIB FALLS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

*Tuesday December 12, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.
Rib Falls Town Hall, 232343 Cty Rd S, Edgar, WI*

MINUTES

Those present: Bill Wunsch, Randy Ross, John Hummer, Alysia Seliger, Torrie Socha, Brian Witberler, Marsha Otto, Jim Draeger

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Wunsch at 7:00pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Randy made a motion to approve the agenda. John second. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes from the November 14, 2023 board meeting were reviewed. Bill made a motion to approve the minutes as typed. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: None

Torrie read the Treasurer's Report. Bill made a motion to file the Treasurer's Report. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Clerk's Report – Finished submitting tax rates to County. Taxes are printed and ready to mail.

Supervisors and Chairman Reports – Received several calls about missed recycling pick-ups. Waste Management will credit us for recycling the month of Dec, this will show up as a credit on 2024 tax bills. Will look into back up alarms with manual switches for town vehicles.

Town Fund Balances, Funds Transfers to Allocations and People's Bank Investing Options – Based on projected expenses for the rest of the year, we can adjust our allocations balance. Bill made a motion to adjust the balances to: \$4k in Bridge Projects, \$110k in Equipment Replacement, and create a Grader Tire Fund for \$6k. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously. We will check to verify that both of our checking accounts are set up as Public Funds Checking Accounts, which currently earn interest at a rate of 5.37%. Will combine the allocations balance into the checking account and keep track of the earmarked amounts. Bill made a motion that we begin to use Public Funds Checking Accounts for our funds. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Town Employee Compensation – Pension plans are offered for surrounding townships for full-time town employees. We would like to set up an IRA where we deposit \$500 per month. Bill made a motion that the Town establishes a retirement fund for our full-time employee in the amount of \$500 per month beginning in Jan 2024. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously. Bill made a motion to increase the full-time town employee wage by \$1 per hour beginning January 2024. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Marathon Fire Contract Proposal – We previously signed a fire contract for the Marathon Fire Department and they would like to change the rates, current rate is 23 cents, the proposed change is to 51 cents. We may hire an attorney to see if the original contract will stand. Bill made a motion for authorization to spend up to \$2,000 regarding the Marathon Fire Contract for legal fees if needed. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

Bill made a motion to approve and pay the bills. Randy second. Motion passed unanimously.

The mail was reviewed.

Randy made a motion to adjourn at 8:08pm. Bill second. Motion passed unanimously.

Alysia Seliger – Clerk
Town of Rib Falls