TOWN OF CHICOG Town Board Meeting May 14, 2025

- 1. Call Meeting to order at 6:00 pm
- 2. Verify Legal Posting Notice.
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- **4.** Roll Call: All Board members presented.
- **5.** Approval of the previous minutes as posted on our website. Motion made by Sue Kowarsch and seconded by Brian Berg to approve the posted minutes. Motion passed
- **6. Treasurer's report** as follows all balances as of April 30, 2025:

Checking Account: Beginning balance - \$47,221.35 includes interest of \$190.78,

Outstanding checks - \$3,395.42 Final working balance: \$43,825.93 **Money Market Account:** \$417,419.87, includes interest of \$1,500.73 **CD Account:** \$69,965.19 includes quarterly interest of: \$671.09

Tax Account: \$302.00

Motion made by Brian Berg and seconded by Sue Kowarsch to approve. Motion passed.

7. Chairman's Report:

- **a.** We are sad to report that Carol Undahl passed away this past month. Carol has been a part of our community for many years. Our condolences to Carols family and friends.
- b. Financials: We are currently on track with our budget through Q-1.
- **c.** We have now scheduled routes for our Wildfire Risk Reduction project of which we will discuss in further detail later in our meeting tonight.
- **d.** The township will be applying for a Washburn County Culvert grant program to replace the culvert on Lower McKenzie Lake Road. This is due in Jully of 2025.
- **e.** Town building maintenance has commenced this month. We have replaced one of our airconditioning units this month and have started work on the fire hall restroom.
- **f.** Upcoming: The 2nd annual craft fair will be held on Saturday, 5/24/25 from 9AM-3PM. Lunch will be available from 11:00AM-1:00PM.
- g. Upcoming: Town clean-up will be Saturday, 5/31/25 from 7AM-3PM

8. Roads and Road Work - Joe Norton

- a. Bald Eagle/Webb Creek intersection hill complete
- **b**. New stop sign on Bald Eagle/Bluebird/South Twin landing intersection
- **c.** Boat landing signs:
 - **1.** Decontamination, wake boat ordinance
 - **2.** Pear Lake waiting for the signs
- **d.** Cemetery fence repaired
- e. Crack-filling Lower McKenzie Road and Town Hall driveway
- f. Gravel and graded roads, Brian spot gravel areas

- g. F450 is starting to give us some problems:
 - 1. 2013 130,000 miles
 - 2. Very rusty. Cab corners, under doors, frame and dump box
 - 3. Rust holes welded and re-painted
 - **4.** Needs tires before winter (all 6)
- **h.** Atherton Road has been graveling in preparation of the chip seal end of July (road will be closed to thru traffic)
- i. Bald Eagle Road grind, gravel (Minong will help)

9. Public Input:

Questions on the staffing of the boat landings. Answers given.

10. Open and award bid for black topping Bald Eagle Drive

The following bids were submitted:

Monarch – Paving \$111,117.16

S.B. Madison Construction, LLC – Pulverizing \$ 6,587.35

Clarifications were supplied on a phone conference with Monarch Paving and Madison construction. Madison Construction was awarded the "grinding contract" for \$6,587.35 and Monarch Paving reduced their bid to \$111,117.16 and was awarded the paving portion of the contract. This was approved by all 3 supervisors on May 15, 2025.

11. Discuss/approve a meat raffle at the town fun fest

Terri Corrie - The Minong Trails Club would like to hold several meat raffles during our Fun Fest at the Town Hall. They have a Raffle license for this the Town nor ESG will receive any of the profits from the raffles. However, there is the benefit of this type of activity drawing in more people.

Motion made by Brian Berg and seconded by Sue Kowarsch to allow the Trail Club to hold the meat raffles. Motion passed.

12. Review the SOP for wake enhancement ordinance enforcement

The Town is going though the steps to finish this SOP. The main step was the Citation Ordinance that was passed in 2020. In accordance with this we have the right to approach violators both verbally and with written correspondence. All Wisconsin law enforcement agencies have the right to issue written citations.

13. Discuss/communicate plan for executing the firewise grant initiative.

Brian Berg sent out a Town wide email on May 14th that has 4 attachments. The list of the dates and roads for the first pick-up is the word document. The other 3 are information to help you firewise your property. If you didn't receive an email, check the web site.

14. Correspondence:

Terri Corrie – Received a Hazardous Waste Collection Schedule from Washburn County. This schedule will be posted on the web site.

15. Committee Reports:

- **a. Hunter's Feed** Sue Kowarsch We are moving right along. We will have the prize list set by the Middle of June to get the tickets printed. We are still in need of volunteers for working the Hunter's Feed if you are interested, please email Sue Kowarsch at: suektownofchicog@gmail.com
- **b. Fire Department** Brian Berg We had several Red Flag days this week. So far, we have not had any fires. Please remember to be careful when burning or grilling. Also, on very dry days try not to run any equipment that could throw off a spark
- **c. CWPP** Terri Corrie We had a meeting Monday to discuss several items in our upcoming revised plan. Looks like we will have things in place by the end of July.
- **16.** Date of the next Meeting: June 11, 2025 at 6:00 pm

17. Payment of Bills:

Motion made by Brian Berg and seconded by Sue Kowarsch to approve the payment of the following bills/checks: -625 thru -1125 and 13004 thru 13032. Motion passed

- 18. Motion made by Sue Kowarsch and seconded by Brian Berg to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.
- **19.** Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.