

Town of Burns  
September 9, 2020  
Town Board Meeting Minutes

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Nuttleman at 7:30 pm. Roll call: Chairman (Chr.) Nuttleman, Supervisor (Sup.) Hoth, Treasurer (Tr.) Anderson, and Clerk (Clk.) Hart-Pollock present. Supervisor (Sup.) Caulum absent.
2. Tr. Anderson read the Treasurer's report for August 2020 available account balances total \$314,113.43 and Rockland Cemetery account balance is \$20,340.68. Chr. Nuttleman noted for the record that the August 2020 Treasurer's Report was received.
3. Motion by Sup. Hoth to approve the August 6, 2020 Public Hearing and Special Town Board meeting minutes and the August 12, 2020 Town Board meeting minutes. Second made by Chr. Nuttleman. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.
4. Motion by Sup. Hoth to approve bills from August 13, - September 9, 2020, checks #11043 – 1195 and one EFT from First National Bank. Second by Chr. Nuttleman. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.
5. There were no citizen concerns reported.
6. Dana Wuensch requests to retire as the Secretary for the Rockland Cemetery. D Wuensch brought in all documents she has and there are also documents at the Village of Rockland. D Wuensch feels it is best to keep the records at the Town of Burns versus the Village of Rockland as it may be easier to access records here. D Wuensch will look at the Rockland Village Hall for older deeds. Will put Rockland Cemetery Secretary on the October 2020 agenda for further discussion.
7. County Board representative Dan Hesse presented his request for the Town of Burns to allow ATV's and UTV's on township roads. D Hesse reported that La Crosse County is way behind from Jackson, Monroe, and Vernon County and four-wheelers can be ridden all over. This will help with business and helps with sales tax. D Hesse is requesting the Town of Burns to open up all town roads and then request La Crosse County to open up county roads in the Town of Burns. D Hesse reported that the Village of Rockland has opened up all of their roads and they cannot go anywhere other than into Monroe County. D Hesse reported the Town of Bangor opened up all theirs at the last meeting. A Citizen asked if that is only towns roads and not where snowmobile trails are. D Hesse responded yes and they are not going on snowmobile trails. D Hesse stated that they [La Crosse County] is way behind and it is to get people out and about and help the local businesses. You can ride them all over in other counties. D Hesse shared that when he goes up North, he rides his four-wheelers for hundreds of miles. Chr. Nuttleman shared his concerns on speed as they are not going as fast in villages or towns as there are speed limits. D Hesse responded to Chr. Nuttleman to contact the police department or DNR to pull them over and they have a license plate. There was discussion between Chr. Nuttleman and Sup. Hoth that if the Town of Burns opens up all the roads it is still dependent upon the County as you cannot get anywhere without a county road. D Hesse said the County Board makes the final decision. D Hesse does not want to have access to La Crosse, Onalaska, or Holmen. Would like to see access from West Salem to this way, Town of Hamilton. Sup. Hoth motioned to open up the town roads to ATVs and UTVs. Chr. Nuttleman second. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.
8. Zoning Administrator (ZA) Bill Larson absent, no report.
9. A) Patrolman Steve reported he is having shoulder surgery on October 25, 2020. He has two guys lined up to work. Expects to be out 3 – 6 months for recovery.  
B) Patrolman Steve reported that Williams Road is good and there have not been any beaver dams. He did some digging and cleared out water. Wanless Road – was patched by the Town of Farmington. Patrolman Steve thinks Farmington may be fixing it in 2021.  
C) Next meeting date is Wednesday, October 14, 2021 at 7:30 pm.
10. Motion by Sup. Hoth to adjourn. Second made by Chr. Nuttleman. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.

Mel Hart-Pollock, Clerk  
Approved: 10-14-2020