Town of Calumet Town Board Special Meeting

April 21, 2025

Chairman Don Breth called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Roll call: Chairman Don Breth, Supervisors Ben Burlingham, and Tom Bartel present.

Chairman Breth confirmed that the meeting was noticed on the website and at the Town Hall on April 18, 2025.

Don Breth introduced the agenda item regarding paving repair on Kiel Road in Marytown. He explained that the situation has been an issue for at least a year, with the right of way off the pavement crumbling and collecting water towards the west end. This created safety concerns for people parking at the Marytown Tap.

Motion by Breth, seconded by Ben Burlingham, to approve \$9,956 payable to Fond du Lac County for pulverizing and paving the segment that is 20 feet wide by 100 feet long at Kiel Road and County G, from the point at which they would normally terminate paving at County G to the seam at which paving was terminated in 2020. Additionally, they will cover asphalt paving and proper grading in the right of way up to the grass portion of the parking lot to remove the hazard in the right of way. All in favor. Motion carried.

Following passage of the motion, there was additional discussion as to other paving work that could be done while the County is working on Highway G. Both Burlingham and Supervisor Tom Bartel indicated that they had received a suggestion from Mike Endries that while the county crew was doing the work on G, it might make sense to have them also repave Roehrig Road, which is a Town Road connecting to G in Marytown. The road is now largely gravel, and in poor condition. The thought was that since Roehrig Road was a relatively short stretch, and the county crews were already working that area, it may make sense to have them do that work in conjunction with their project, as doing Roehrig Road independently would incur stand alone start up and equipment positioning costs. The Board asked Brian Schussman to contact the County and get pricing estimates for the work.

Breth shared the following information with the Board: The Town is now in its fourth year out of compliance with state assessment requirements contained in Section 70.05 of the state statutes. These provisions come into play if assessed values fall below a set proportion of market value over an extended period of time. This is likely not an issue right now but will become more of a problem to the extent it remains unaddressed. This is a statewide issue given the rapid rise in property values the past few years. Catalis, which is the company the Town uses for assessments, has informed us that they are now completely booked through 2026. They have agreed to reserve a slot for us in 2027. Assuming the Town is able to keep with that schedule, given the statewide backlog, the Town should be able to work through any concerns the State Department of Revenue may have. Bottom line: while we had originally expected a town-wide re-assessment to happen this year, that will not happen until 2027.

Breth then provided a summary report of the Road Inspection that occurred on April 15th for the Weber Road and St. Paul Road projects as required by WI Stat. § 60.50.

Motion by Burlingham, seconded by Bartel, to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 pm. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Rieder Town of Calumet Clerk