

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF LINCOLN**  
**TOWN BOARD MEETING**  
**October 24th, 2023**

The monthly town board meeting was held on Tuesday, October 24th, 2023, at 6:00 pm at the Lincoln Town Hall, S1491 State Road 88, Alma, WI 54610.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Bruce Auseth. Members present, Chairman Bruce Auseth Supervisor Cody Ritscher, Supervisor Steve Heller, Clerk Lori Dahl Deputy Clerk Carolyn Thomsen, Treasurer Trinity Hungerford, Towns person Ray Secrist. Lori noted all notices were posted as required.

Lori read September meeting minutes. M/S: Cody/Steve to approve minutes. Motion approved.

Trinity reported Treasurer's balance: checking \$8,549.89, savings \$49,172.94, totaling \$57,722.83. M/S: Steve/Cody to approve Treasurer's report. Motion approved. September bank statements were audited and signed by board members. Town orders 5051-5064 in the amount of \$234,016.47 were approved and paid.

Sheriff Mike Osmond reported some sheriff office activity statistics and on recent initiatives he has started since becoming sheriff. Emphasized maintaining good communication with municipal boards.

Bruce attended Wisconsin Towns Association fall meeting where EMS/Fire funding was discussed. Bruce also attended the WBCAS Meeting; \$200,000 owed on their new ambulance and exploring options for relocating the garage.

Broadband committee noted TDS's acceptance of a grant to provide internet by 2028, with a few roads not covered, however, N-tech and CCT already cover those areas.

**Town Road Concerns:**

Schmidt Bridge Riprap Project: Awaiting cancelled checks and bridge inspection for DNR grant reimbursement submittal.

Schaub Bridge Project complete, awaiting final invoices and cancelled checks for LRIP funding reimbursement submittal.

Boettcher Bridge: Ray Secrist confirmed completion 3 years after bridge was finished.

Yapp Bridge: Cedar Corp found funding to replace; county-town split for costs.

Discussed changing the current ATV ordinance; M/S: Steve/Cody to adopt Ordinance 2023-1 to Repeal Ordinance 2021-1. Motion approved. M/S: Cody/Steve to adopt Ordinance 2023-2. Motion approved.

Completed budget planning for 2024; clerk will publish proposed budget. Highway budget and Town budget for 2024 will be approved on November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023, town board meeting.

M/S: Cody/Steve to adjourn. Meeting adjourned; next meeting on November 16th, 2023, at 6:00pm at the townhall.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lori Dahl, Town Clerk