

TOWN OF GORDON

**Annual Town Meeting
April 16, 2019**

Chair Denny Kline called the Annual Meeting, held at the Town Hall, to order at 6:00 p.m. Also present were Supervisor Jim Hankins, Supervisor Tim Hakkenson, Treasurer ReeAnn Hoyt, Clerk Stephanie James, 44 qualified electors and 7 guests.

Previous Town Meeting Minutes: *A Pam B /John Cosgrove motion to approve the Annual Town Meeting Minutes of 04/17/2018 was made and carried with a voice vote.*

Order of Business: Agenda items requested to be discussed under New Business:

1. *Tom Chandler:* NW Range costs and hours, audit request.

Denny spoke on the range update of a community is being formed, meeting will start soon.

2. *Jake Avery:* Bring back the Citizen comments

3. *Ruth H:* Audit Request for Fiduciary responsibility to the town. Need transparency to the Town of Gordon.

Denny asked Vicki Eastwood to comment on the audit. Vicki stated that she did not believe they needed an audit with the dual role of clerk/treasurer. She contacted Anderson Hager and Moe they no longer do audits since their father passed away. Contacted Carlson SV they do not do audits any more they said the estimated price for doing an audit would be 11,500. For the Town of Gordon. The Town completes a CT to the Department of Revenue and should be considered as an audit.

Tom Chandler requested a motion to have a vote for An Audit and Ruth H second. A ballot vote was taken, and audit passed 24 yea (we want an audit) and 20 no. (We do not have an audit). Motion carried to search Audit quote.

Old Business: None

New Business: The annual Town meeting may transact any business over which is has statutory authority 60.10

a. The Gordon/Wascott transfer station agreement ends in 2020 and the town elector's will need to vote on **Resolution # 2019-03** *authorizing the Town board of the Town of Gordon to negotiate the purchase of the Town of Wascott's share of the Transfer Station in 2020 pursuant to 60.10(2) (F) of the Wisconsin Statues.*

Pam Boetter gave an update on the transfer station. At the joint meeting, the boards are going in different directions and have differing of opinions. The decision was made to not negotiate the 2020 lease to Town of Wascott. Pam also explained The Recyclables are not a cost to the Town thru Douglas County. Recycling is the key to lowering cost to the Town.

If the agreement were not signed there would be monetary expenses to the Town and The Town of Wascott.

An Alternative to the transfer station is curbside pickup. Cost estimate is hard to come up with due to yearlong residents. Keep at 50/50 with annual expense 18k per year. More research is being completed at this time.

Discussion/Comment:

1. Vicki: Authorization of the town is preferred
- 2 Tom C: Have actual vs budget and actual facts and figures
3. Ruth H: Cost Basis analysis before a decision is made.
4. Linda: Negotiation for the people of Gordon

Denny Kline This vote is Advisory in Nature currently. **Yes, to Authorize on process and go into negotiation.**

Paul/Tom motioned to have an amendment to: Authorize the Board to have a joint meeting with the Town of Wascott to discuss option about the transfer station. When you come up with a final opinion, then it will come back to the people of Gordon with the option for final vote of approval.

Vote Taken 35 Aye 9 Nay Vote Passed with amendment.

No further Comment

Other Notes: DOT Public Meeting on Monday April 29 5:30-7:30 Town Hall

Gordon Clean Up Fire Hall April 27th 11-3

Comments: Bonnie: Free Lunch is Great Discuss informational road assigned
And can we get someone to clean the dump station-Inmates or Clean up group.

2019 Annual Meeting: A John Cosgrove/Vicki Eastwood motion to set the 2020 Annual Meeting on 3rd Tuesday, April 21, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. was made and carried with a voice vote.

Adjourn: A Bonnie/Paul motion to adjourn at 6:32 p.m. was made and carried with a voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephanie James
Town of Gordon