***APPROVED***

Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday September 10th, 2024

7pm

1. Chairman Jochimsen called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. Roll Call: Present:

Chairman Kurt Jochimsen

Supervisor Paul Drexler

Supervisor Lori Hollatz

Clerk Alexandra Skaya

Treasurer Julaine Aschenbrenner

Roads Supervisor Luke Serwe

Sanitation Employee George Schneider

1. **Public Comment** –
   1. Sally Stechler addressed the board asking if there was any update on the ditch and culvert located near her property that she requested be checked out at the August meeting. This will be addressed during the road report.
   2. Request for the snowmobile trails be put onto the October meeting.
2. **Minutes** – Motion (Hollatz/Drexler) to approve the town board meeting minutes from the August 3rd, 2024, meeting. Motion carried.
3. **Voucher Approval** - Motion (Hollatz/Drexler) to void previous check #18209 due to error and approve vouchers 18215 – 18248 including automatic withdrawals totaling $171,173.82. Motion carried.
4. **REPORTS:**
   1. **Road Report** – Luke Serwe provided the road report. Spoke with the owner of the property on Sand beach rd. where the ginseng farm is and there is a plan to dig the ditch out from Rangeline rd. roughly a quarter of a mile. It will be dug from the bottom of the culvert; the culvert appears to be okay but if it is bad then it will be replaced. Regular grading was done, hauled granite and breaker in by the shop. The LP tank needs to be moved from the old shop to the new. New fuel pump on the barrel at the grader shop. Looking into purchasing new plow truck. Kafka did some road base but had forgotten to weigh the truck, they are wondering if they would be able to charge by the yard instead of by the ton. This was for Big Rapids Rd. Board is okay with moving forward on this.
   2. **Fire Commission** – Gary Heil provided the fire commission report. The new tanker first proposal came back at $398,000. This bid will be discussed tomorrow evening. Some suppliers are not even taking orders as they are so behind on current ones. Delivery on the tank would not be until Dec. 2026.
   3. **Treasurer’s Report** – Julaine Aschenbrenner provided the Treasurer’s report including cash balances. Motion (Hollatz/Drexler) to approve the Treasurer’s report. Motion carried. Motion (Hollatz/Drexler) to transfer balance of $208,879.40 from tax account to general checking. Motion carried. Motion (Hollatz/Drexler) to transfer $144,000 from the garage loan line of credit to general checking. Motion carried. Motion (Hollatz/Drexler) to transfer $170,000 from road loan line of credit to general checking. Motion carried.
   4. **Clerk Report** – Alexandra Skaya provided the Clerk Report. Regulatory filings have been completed. There were 419 voters at the August election. Next election will be the general election on November 5th. The boat landing grant and recycling grant were submitted. Clerk attended the WMCA conference in Madison. 2025 budget was reviewed.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. **Town Garage** – Mark Kilty was present and gave an update on the new town garage construction. There is a recess on the block wall of about an inch and a half. Marks suggestion would be to have the ledge in office on the wall, estimated cost would be $2000. Waiting on the sanitary permit to be completed. Reached out to Raatch engineering but have not heard back yet. The well construction is out about 6-8 weeks per Brunner.
2. **Balsam Road Update** – Estimate for road markings was $8976 and with white on the outsides would be $13939. At this time it is not in the budget.
3. **Health & Safety Ordinance – Solar Panel Fields** – No action taken at this time.
4. **ARIP** – Paul Drexler is communicating with Joe Brueggen on the details of this grant. Board will meet with Town of Day to work on the application and submit as a joint project.
5. **Propane Contract –** The board looked into various propane contracts. Motion (Hollatz/Drexler) to move forward without a propane contract at this time. Motion carried. Propane levels will be monitored and will fill on an as needed basis.
6. **2025 Road Projects** –
   1. Kafka granite is willing to hold invoices for granite and honor 2024 road prices if the town wanted to gravel any remaining road this year but pay under the 2025 granite budget. The board would like to consider graveling Schnelle and Rock Rd this year.
   2. Luke received a call from the Town of Emmitt about graveling Schuette Rd. Town of Cleveland will gravel their portion which is estimated at around $15,000.
   3. Road projects to be done in 2025 are Elroy, Twins Lane, Fairview Rd Bridge, Holtman Rd, and sealing the Town Hall parking lot.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Fall Newsletter-** Clerk Skaya would like to have the newsletter completed early this year so that it can get into mailboxes with information regarding early voting. Early voting will begin on October 22nd. The board will get their articles to Clerk by October 1st. A special meeting may need to be held in order to approve the budget and set meeting date so that can be printed in the newsletter as well.
2. **2025 Budget –** The 2025 proposed budget was reviewed.
3. **Correspondence** –
   1. The board received a complaint regarding dogs on MaryEl. There are no current dog licenses issued for 2024 at this residence. A letter and fine will be issued per dog ordinance/regulations.

Motion (Hollatz/Drexler) to adjourn at 9:12pm. Motion Carried.

Submitted by: Alexandra Skaya, Clerk on September 30th, 2024 - Next Regular Board Meeting Tuesday October 8th, 2024.