**APPROVED**

Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday February 11th, 2025

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** – None
2. **Minutes** – Motion (Hollatz/Drexler) to approve the town board meeting minutes from the February 11th, 2024 meetings. Motion carried.
3. **Voucher Approval** - Motion (Hollatz/Drexler) to approve the vouchers 18405 – 18437 including voiding vouvhers #18409-18416 due to clerk error and automatic withdrawals totaling $967,710.83. Motion carried.
4. **REPORTS:**
   1. **Road Report** – Luke Serwe provided the road report. Plowed snow and sanded roads throughout the month. Replaced hydraulic fitting that had broken. New pressure washer for the town garage came in. Luke will look into reaching out to Town of Emmitt and Town of Day this year before doing any road work on the parts of Schuette Rd and Eau Pleine Rd that we share with these towns.
   2. **Fire Commission** – Gary Heil provided the fire commission report. Total cost for the 2nd ambulance was $561 for the year. They agreed to go on a year by year basis of keeping the 2nd ambulance to monitor revenue/expenses. This year it will need new tires. Firefighters donated $5000 for the first two years maintenance, so it is not costing taxpayers anything at this point. Town of Green Valley approached the fire department to see if they could buy/rent the building in the Town of Green Valley and would provide perpetual rent for this space.
   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. Julaine provided various scenarios for the payments of the town loans and what could be saved in interest costs with earlier payments. Paying off the principal balances would save the town $4,777.50 in interest on the road loan and $1636.25 in interest on the garage loan. Motion (Hollatz/Drexler) to transfer $326,000 from tax savings account to general checking to cover monthly invoices and pay principal payments on both the roan loan and garage loan. Motion carried.
   4. **Clerk Report** – Alexandra Skaya provided the Clerk Report. Regulatory filings have been completed. Preparation is underway for the Spring General Election to be held on Tuesday April 1st. The Municipality annual financial report has been submitted to the state.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. **Town Garage –** There has not been any update from Quality Construction or Ratsch Engineering regarding the punch list for the remaining work at the new town garage. Currently holding payment until punch list is completed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Roadway Construction Policy –** Hold until April meeting.
2. **Spring Newsletter –** Clerk Skaya will complete the newsletter and send to Lauren to be put together and then to Heinzen for printing and distribution.
3. **Annual Meeting –** The annual meeting will be held on Wednesday April 16th. Clerk Skaya will begin getting this organized. There will not be any guest speakers at this time.
4. **Property Tax Ordinance –** Will discuss at the annual meeting.
5. **Road Bids -** Clerk Skaya will submit the following road bids to be bid on at the April meeting:
   1. 3/4” DOT approved dense road base material delivered by the ton anywhere in the township for the 2025 season. Please also include a pick-up price versus delivered price.
   2. 1 1/4” regular granite delivered by the yard anywhere in the township for the 2025 season. Please also include a pick-up price versus delivered price.
   3. 3-0 breaker rock to be delivered by the yard anywhere in the township for the 2025 season. Please also include a pick-up price versus delivered price.
   4. 6-0 breaker rock to be delivered by the yard anywhere in the township for the 2025 season. Please also include a pick-up price versus delivered price.
   5. Dust control – 38% calcium chloride to be applied to the township roads. Bidding is to be by the gallon.
   6. Roadside brush cutting and control – approximately 40 miles. 1 pass around to cut brush up to the fence line, then grass cutting 1 swath early July and a second swath in the Fall to the fence line. Must have an articulated boom mower capable of reaching the back of the right-of-way. Please bid on a per hour basis and include machinery specifications as they will be considered in the awarding of the bid.
   7. Lawn Mowing and weed control for Cleveland Town Hall and MaryEl boat landing. Please bid based on per visit. Round up – 2x per year
6. **Correspondence –** 
   1. There will be a district meeting on Friday March 21st. Chairman Jochimsen will be attending.
   2. The county has asked all municipalities to complete a comprehensive zoning survey.
   3. Marathon County released its annual highway letter.
   4. The Fenwood bridge by County Rd P will be torn out next summer. More details to come at a later date.
   5. There were some complaints regarding snowmobiles and Screamin Eagles bar. Marathon County Sheriff received a complaint about snowmobiles on private property but after looking into the situation it was determined that the snowmobiles were in the public ditch and did not go onto any private property. There were some “no snowmobile” signs put up in the Town. These signs were not approved by the board, and as a reminder, no signs should be put up on the Town signs/roads that have not been approved by the Town Board.
   6. The old Kat’s Bar is being cleaned up and the situation is being monitored.

Motion (Hollatz/Drexler) to adjourn at 8:30pm. Motion Carried.

Submitted by: Alexandra Skaya, Clerk

Next Regular Board Meeting Tuesday April 8th 2025.