

TOWN OF ROSE – REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

December 14, 2020

Meeting was brought to order by Chair Apps at 7:00pm.

Members Present: Chair Apps, Supervisors Bob Mushinski and D.A. Kloes, Clerk VandeCastle, and Treasurer Roger Williams.

Others Present: Mike Urban

Motion was made by Supv. Kloes, seconded by Supv. Mushinski, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Minutes of the 11/9/20 meetings were read by all. Motion was made by Chair Apps, seconded by Supv. Mushinski, to accept the minutes of the 11/9/20 meetings. Motion carried.

The Treasurer Report was read and discussed by all. Highway expenses were discussed. Motion was made by Supv. Kloes, seconded by Supv. Mushinski, to accept the Treasurer Report and pay the bills as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT: None

OLD BUSINESS: Mike will fill the few potholes that have opened up in the last week or so. Road repairs on Akron and 14th and the culvert repair were discussed.

Clerk VandeCastle reported that the Routes to Recovery grant was accepted, and the deposit of \$10,096.63 was deposited into the Town account on 12/10/20. The grant covered the new voting machine, voting booths, new computer and printer for the clerk, the disinfectant sprayer for the fire department, and some misc. election supplies.

Mike will finish the tree cutting on 15th this month. Paul Szczublewski will take the trees. The brush will be pushed way down in the ditch so as not to disrupt the snowplow. Paul Szczublewski will give the Town a bill for his time and equipment used to help with the tree clearing. Chair Apps made the motion, seconded by Supv. Mushinski, to pay Paul Szczublewski for wages and equipment used. Motion carried. The Board thanked Mike for all the legwork and work he did to get the tree clearing done.

Chair Apps updated the Board on the return of the DR machine. It has been returned. We will now wait to get the refund. Mike had someone come out to the Bohemian Cemetery with his Stihl 600 blower. It did a really good job taking care of all the pine needles and leaves. Joe Perez was impressed. Chair Apps discovered that a blower like that can be rented or purchased at Wautoma Rental. Wade at Wautoma Rental said the Town could rent it to try it out, and if we liked it and wanted to purchase it, the rental cost would come off the purchase price. Chair Apps suggested maintaining the Cemetery 3 times a year, on Memorial Day, 4th of July, and Labor Day.

NEW BUSINESS: John Blader contacted Chair Apps and declined the assessor job for the Town of Rose. It would be too much to add another Township to his workload. The Board discussed the opt-in option

for 2021 for \$11,000 at Accurate Appraisal. The Board agreed to opt-in for 2021 with Accurate Appraisal and take the year to keep interviewing to possibly find a new assessor. The Board feels that Accurate Appraisal is too high priced and does not do quality work.

Bob sent the current Forestry Plan to Ben Preston at Bell Timber. Ben told him he would start working on it after deer hunting and before Christmas. Bob has not heard from him since. The delay may be due to COVID and the office being short staffed.

Chair Apps reported on the following:

- Building permits:
 - Dennis Schultz: Section 34 – Mobile Home
 - Thomas & Diane Fick: Section 6 – Accessory Structure
- Town Advocacy Council: Recruiting letter to join

Clerk VandeCastle reported on the following:

- US Cellular: Credit balance – received check for \$11.70
- Bell Timber: Received check for invoiced road damage by Town Forest
- DNR: Orders for land designated as Forest Tax Law land
 - Thomas Raimann & Patrick Bartz: Section 23 – 24 acres Closed
 - Wayne & Jacqueline Olson: Section 6 – 71 acres Closed
 - Joe Perez: Section 7 – 32 acres Closed
 - Dick Kalata: Section 31 – 78 acres Closed
 - Donni Domrzalski: Sections 10 & 11: 76.5 acres Closed
 - Russell Heinrichs: Section 17 – 30 acres Closed

Chair Apps attended a Fire District meeting. The Food Drive has been extended a couple of weeks. Donations have been made. A multi-level training house is parked behind the Fire Station. It was funded by the firefighters.

Supv's Kloes and Mushinski declared their non-candidacy for the Spring Election in April. The Caucus will be held in January. Two Supervisor positions will need to be filled.

The agenda for January was discussed. The next regular Board Meeting and Caucus will be January 11, 2021.

Supv. Kloes made the motion, seconded by Chair Apps, to adjourn the meeting at 8:25pm. Motion carried.

The foregoing is an unapproved draft version of these minutes. Therefore, they are subject to amendment or change at subsequent meetings of this Board. Any such changes will be detailed in the minutes of the meeting at which the amendments are proposed.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy VandeCastle
Town of Rose Clerk