

TOWN OF RIDGEVILLE
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
January 14, 2019

Board Members in attendance: Chairman, Keith Giraud; 1st Supervisor, Ron Luethe; 2nd Supervisor, Jerry Haney; also in attendance was Clerk, Rita Williams and Treasurer, Kathy Cale.

The Regular Monthly Meeting was called to order by Chairman Keith Giraud.

1. Pledge to the American Flag

The Pledge was recited at the beginning of the Caucus and not repeated for the meeting.

2. Public Comments on Agenda Items Only

Mike Wiedl asked why the Draft of the Non-Metallic Mining Ordinance was still out on the Website when nothing is being done on the revisions. It was noted by several that we are still working on the ordinance. The town board and the planning commission need to get together and go over some of the differences.

3. Approval of the Minutes from the December 17, 2018 Regular Monthly Meeting

The minutes of the December 17, 2018 Regular Monthly Meeting was reviewed and approved with a motion from Ron Luethe and seconded by Jerry Haney. Motion Carried.

4. Updates from Comprehensive Planning Commission's Previous Meeting: (Any recommendations or requested action will not be acted upon by the board at the present meeting. Any recommendations/action will be placed on the agenda by the discretion of the chairman at the next regular monthly board meeting.

There was some question on whether this item should be on the agenda each time unless we know that a certain item is going to be discussed. Rob Larson noted that the surveys noted many problems with the roads that need to be looked at sometime.

5. Approval of Exceeding the 2018 Budget

Clerk Williams present to the board the budget for 2018 and noted that we need approval by the board for exceeding the budget. It was noted that we exceeded the budget by \$60,491.95 in expenses but we also had received \$58,498.81 of extra revenues taken in due to the 2017 flooding. The only difference would have been \$1,993.14. The exceeding the 2018 Budget was approved with a motion from Jerry Haney and seconded by Ron Luethe. Motion Carried.

6. Approve Gundersen Health System Drug Testing Agreement

Clerk Williams present the board with the Gundersen Health System Drug Testing Agreement that we received for signing for the coming year. There was a motion from Ron Luethe and seconded by Jerry Haney to approve and sign the new agreement and extend that agreement for the coming year. Motion Carried.

7. Bug Tussel/Internet Service Update

Supervisor Luethe noted that he had been in contact with the Bug Tussel Tower people and it was noted that at the present time they do not plan on installing internet service on the tower. It was noted that the board approved the tower due to the majority of support from the community for the wireless internet service. After some discussion it was agreed that we would send a letter to Steve Schneider, CEO of Bug Tussel Wireless noting that we approved the installation of this tower due to the community support for the internet service. The letter would state that we are expecting that they will be installing internet service on this tower. If they do not install this service there would be the Public Service Commission that we may contact.

8. Update on FEMA Progress

Chairman Giraud noted where we are with the FEMA Progress. Road Patrolman Martin and Clerk Williams are trying to get all the damages together. The board agreed that they need to get together and go out for another road assessment.

9. Road Patrolman Report

Road Patrolman Martin gave his report which went right along with the FEMA Progress. He also noted that he was trying to keep the roads thawed out. He noted that they had put the plow truck in the ditch and need to have it towed out on New Year's Day. There was some discussion on the roads and what are town roads. Supervisor Haney noted that the Lutheran Church on the ridge wants us to plow there parking lot. The board agreed that they had no problem with getting it plowed, either us or possible having Zellmer plow.

10. Treasurer's Report for December 2018

Treasurer Kathy Cale gave the treasurer's report for December 2018. She reported that we have \$49,863.39 in the checking account, \$202,586.38 in General Savings, \$6,208.36 in the Lignite Road Savings, \$41,770.19 in the LGIP General Account and \$2,987.29 in LGIP Equipment Account for a total of \$303,415.61 in current operating funds.

11. Approval of Bills/To Be Paid

The bills paid/to be paid were reviewed and approved with a motion from Jerry Haney and seconded by Ron Luethe. Motion Carried. This included Check # 13229, dated 12/24/18 thru Check # 13271, dated 1/14/19 totaling \$192,852.51. Chairman Giraud noted that we are getting insurance refund for most of the towing for the plow truck.

12. Set Date for Next Monthly Meeting and Caucus Date

The next Regular Monthly Meeting has been set for Monday, February 11, 2019 starting at 7:00 P.M.

13. Adjourn Meeting

The meeting was adjourned with a motion by Ron Luethe and seconded by Keith Giraud. Motion Carried.

Rita Williams-Clerk