

TOWN OF RIDGEVILLE
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
March 9, 2020

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 to the American Flag was recited.

2. Public Comments on Agenda Items Only

Jim Neumann asked about # 10 on the agenda that said Road Questions. It was noted that it was nothing specific, but if we needed to talk about a road issue we could bring it up at that time.

3. Speaker-Cindy Zahrte/Representative from Tomah Schools (Information of Referendum)

Mrs. Zahrte had not arrived yet. It was noted that we will postpone that item until she arrives.

4. Approval of the Minutes from the February 10, 2020 Regular Monthly Meeting

The minutes of the February 10, 2020 regular monthly meeting were reviewed and approved with a motion from Ron Luethe and seconded by Jerry Haney. Motion Carried.

5. 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 no one present for the evening. Clerk Williams noted that she received an email from Mrs. Epstein stating she had been to a meeting held by Roxie Anderson to discuss how to include climate change in the comprehensive plan. It was noted that Supervisor Luethe was also at that meeting. They will look at that as they continue to update the comprehensive plan.

6. Further discussion on Policy for replacing culverts and signs on private land.

Chairman Giraud read a list of suggestions that he put together for a Culvert Policy. After some discussion it was brought up that we already have a Driveway Ordinance. It was decided that we would incorporate #2, #3, and # 4 of his suggestions into the Driveway Ordinance and update that ordinance at the next meeting.

7. Approval of Appointing Student Tabulator for Election

Clerk Williams noted that we had a student very interested in help tabulating at the elections. She noted that the student must also be approved by the board like the rest of the election officials. There was a motion from Keith Giraud and seconded by Ron Luethe to approve the name of Suzie McLendon as a student tabulator for election when she can attend. Motion Carried.

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8. Approval of Application for Operator's License (Class B Liquor License)

Clerk Williams also noted that the previous person approved for the Operator's License (Class B Liquor License) was not going to be able to continue to sell. Linda Organ came in and filled out the paper work to be approved for a Operator's License. A background check was completed and everything OK. There was a motion by Keith Giraud and seconded by Jerry Haney to approve the License. Motion Carried.

9. FEMA Update

Chairman Giraud read an email from Emily Foltz (FEMA) on where we stand with the FEMA projects. It was also noted that maybe we would have to look at obtaining a loan to complete the roads and when we get the money from FEMA we can pay off the loan.

10. Road Patrolman Report/Road Questions

Patrolman Martin noted that the Road Bands are on. There was also some discussion on the tubes on Mercury Ave, possibly one needed at Dean Shorts, and Dale Noth's. There was also some discussion on recycled asphalt for a couple roads which usually cost about \$13.00/ton. It was decided to set up a meeting for the board to review roads and see what we need to do this summer. April 26th at the 11:00 A.M. has been set up to meet and have a road assessment meeting.

11. Treasurer's Report for January 2020

The treasurer's report for February 2020 was presented by Treasurer Kathy Cale. She noted that at the end of February we had \$51,935.38 in LGIP General Fund, \$3,062.67 in LGIP Equipment Fund, \$16,253.77 in General Checking, \$169,849.13 in General Savings, and \$9,449.61 in the Lignite Road Account. This is \$250,550.56 in current operating funds. The report stood approved as read.

12. Approval of Bills Paid/To Be Paid

The Bills Paid/To Be Paid were reviewed and approved with a motion from Ron Luethe and seconded by Jerry Haney. Motion Carried. This includes Check # 13660 dated 2/11/20 thru Check # 13698 dated 3/9/20.

Back for # 3 on the Agenda. Cindy Zahrte, Superintendent for the Tomah Schools, arrived and gave her general information on the school district of Tomah. She gave background on the finances and the teachers, programs, and providing support for students etc.

13. Set Date for Next Meeting

The next monthly meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday April 21st, 2020 starting immediately after the Annual Meeting which has been scheduled to start at 7:00 PM.

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There was a motion from Keith Giraud and seconded by Ron Luethe to convene into closed session for the purpose of Negotiating Wages and Benefits and Employee Annual Review. Motion Carried.

- 14. Closed Session-Convene in closed session per WI Statutes 19.85 (c) for the purpose of Negotiating Wages and Benefits and Employee Annual Review. (Those attending will be 3 Board Members, Clerk, Treasurer, and Patrolman Martin.**

There was a motion by Ron Luethe and seconded by Jerry Haney to return to open session. Motion Carried.

- 15. Return to open session-Any recommendations or decision made in closed session will be announced now or at a later board meeting.**

There was no one present at this time. Any decisions will be noted at the next regular meeting.

- 16. Adjourn Meeting**

There was a motion from Keith Giraud and seconded by Ron Luethe to adjourn the meeting. Motion Carried.

Rita Williams
Clerk