

February 15, 2017

Regular monthly board meeting as published in the Antigo Daily Journal and posted at Mike's, Bob's and the town hall. Meeting was called to order by Chairman Casper Buettner. Also present were Supervisors Susan Hawley and Jim Tilkens and Mary Lee Heise, clerk. Treasurer Linda Frank was absent. Brian Gerrits from Spring Breeze Dairy was also present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all those present.

The agenda was approved upon motion by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Supervisor Tilkens, motion carried.

The minutes from the January meeting were approved upon motion by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Supervisor Tilkens, motion carried.

Treasurer's report for January was read by Clerk Mary Lee Heise. The report was thereafter approved by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Supervisor Tilkens, motion carried.

New Business:

Spring breeze dairy – Brian Gerrits representative – came before the board concerning the new IOH (Implements of Husbandry) ordinance concerning manure hauling. Past events led to the changing of the ordinance making it more detailed and increase of the bond from \$50,000 per road to \$1,000,000 for all roads used, per year. We are assured by Spring Breeze Dairy that all damages will be repaired. Spring Breeze Dairy was told that the million dollar bond would cost \$10,000. The Towns Association thought it would only cost \$1,300. Discussion followed on our town roads. Discussion on roads that should never be used for manure hauling, like: Erdman, Markton and Alft roads. Heise, Wallrich, Darinski road Church Street Buettner Road and East Wood Street are now used. Discussion on the permit...it states that no holidays or weekends or at night. Sue Hawley suggested that the permit be amended with regard to weekends and holidays. Questions on who buys the bond, the farm or the hauler? The bond just guarantees payment from the farm. This matter will be on the March agenda – March 14th-to amend the permit and discuss the ordinance. In the meantime, the Clerk will contact the DOT concerning our ordinance. The Board stated that they are willing to work with the Farm.

General Building and Plant:

Highway – Jeff Seefeldt from the federal forest service was contacted regarding the right of ways along ADA Lake and Diamond Roof roads. The forest service will be logging off of these roads in the near future and getting the right of ways cleared will be a bonus for the township. Jeff Seefeldt contacted the chairman and said that we could proceed with marking the right of ways for logging. Alex has marked this so that the logging can now be done. On other road matters, plowing and sanding are being done as needed. Packer City bill for the little truck has not been paid as the warranty should be paying for some of the repair. The clerk will hold the bill until this is straightened out.

Fire Department - Finance reports have not been received since November. Otherwise things with the department are running smoothly.

Rescue Squad— Jim Summerford has had 4 bypasses. Rescue Squad treasurer discussed. They may have to drop from IV Tech classification to Basic due to personnel shortages. They will work with Antigo on emergencies. Troutland will hold a public meeting about this in the future. Discussion on training and testing requirements. New trainee has started. Run 14 runs in January 2016. This year there were 20 runs in January. Restructuring is being done.

Recycling Center – Things are going well.

Cemetery – Several funerals were held recently. The hearse got stuck 3 times. Otherwise nobody is complaining.

Correspondence - The Tax Settlement report for 2016-2017 has been received from the county treasurer. A letter was received from the Department of Transportation regarding the last road certification packet that was submitted. We included River Forest road. However, the additional documentation requested and submitted was not submitted by the deadline. This road will be included in the 2017 report at the end of this year. The clerk will also check with the county concerning a better legal description for this road. A letter was received from the USDA out of Rhinelander concerning meetings being held regarding Cooperative Forest Road Agreements. The closest meeting that we may attend is at the Riverview Town Hall on March 15th. Rural insurance had sent paperwork regarding the workers comp. portion of the town's insurance. Based on the information received we will be billed an additional \$2,643. However, the annual audit revealed that a refund is due the town. The refund will be applied to the new amount due. A bill was received from Packer City for work done on the big truck. We will not be paying the bill until the warranty is reviewed to see what is covered under it. Census information was received concerning boundaries and annexations. PILT payment information has been received. Distributions to the County and Schools will be made when we receive our payment from the state.

Next meeting will be March 14th.

Bills for February approved for payment upon motion by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Supervisor Tilkens, motion carried.

Motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Tilkens and seconded by Supervisor Hawley, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.