

March 13, 2012

The regular monthly town board meeting as posted at Mike's Service, Bob's Northern Lights, Strong's and the town hall was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Casper Buettner. Present at the meeting were Supervisors Susan Hawley and Bill Majest, Linda Frank, treasurer and Mary Lee Heise, clerk. Townspeople Mike and Sharon Steckbauer were also present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all present.

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

Minutes of the February meeting were approved upon motion by Supervisor Majest and seconded by Supervisor Hawley, motion carried.

The treasurer's report was read by Linda Frank. The Tax Account money will be transferred into the regular checking this month. Motion to approve the report was made by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Supervisor Majest, motion carried.

Non-board member business: None

Unfinished Business: Buettner Road – map and letter to landowners affected by the name change was reviewed by the board.

New Business: Concealed weapons ordinance. The Clerk had the ordinance prepared and called Tom Ketchum from the Laub Group, the town's insurance company, for liability information. His advice was not to post or have an ordinance. The town has immunity under the State Statutes. Posting a sign or having an ordinance can increase our liability. The clerk was also informed by Tom Ketchum that municipalities are backing off from having a concealed weapons ordinance. In view of this Supervisor Majest made a motion to table this matter. The matter was seconded by Supervisor Hawley, motion carried.

Preparation of Notice for Truck Bid: The specifications are being drawn up. Businesses will be able to call to have the specs sent to them or they can pick up copies at the office. The bids must be back to the clerk by 5 p.m. on March 29th. The clerk read the rough draft of the notice for the paper. The clerk was given permission to put the bid notice in the paper for a new highway patrol truck. Permission was given upon motion by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Supervisor Majest, motion carried. The Chairman and highway man will finish specifications for the clerk to type up and they will be ready by Friday. Notice will be sent to board to remind them of special town board meeting on March 29th at 5 p.m.

General Building and Plant: Sod will be purchased to replace top soil around hall.

Highway: Road limits signs were posted on the 7th. Logging is completed on Sawyer Lake Road. Loggers did not have to do a clear cut on the road. Alex will have to cut down the rest. 540 cords of wood were removed. The new grader operator for the town has quit. John Kielcheski has agreed to help the town out for the rest of the season.

Fire Department: The department is doing training tonight.

Rescue Squad: 29 total runs were made last year. The squad has already made 17 runs this year.

Recycling Center: Things are going well. Jim VanAlstine will be working this Wednesday for Larry Bolstad. A refund was received from B&B Containers in the amount of \$1449.30. The chairman received a call from the credit union asking about dumpsters being taken to the Wolf River Lodge. They will be allowed to take in small containers, but they cannot be removed until after the road limits come off. The personal property taxes due from the Lodge were discussed. The treasurer will contact the credit union to discuss the personal property taxes due.

Cemetery: Nothing new to report. The branches that came down during the winter will be cleaned up.

Correspondence: There will be a county unit meeting on the 21st in the Town of Norwood. Paperwork has been received concerning the warranty on the voting machine as well as the cost. Voter ID has been deemed unconstitutional-election training is going to be done on the 29th and this will be discussed.

Treasurer Linda Frank brought up the idea of a town logo and the possibility of having a contest that would end at the end of the current school year. Prizes for the winner were discussed. The treasurer will look into this matter.

Bills for March were approved upon motion by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Supervisor Majest, motion carried.

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