

May 10, 2016

Monthly town board meeting as posted at Mike's Service, Bob's Northern Lights, and the town hall and also published in the Antigo Daily Journal was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Casper Buettner. Also present were Supervisors Susan Hawley and Jim Tilkens, Linda Frank treasurer and Mary Lee Heise, clerk. Townspeople present were Art and Brenda Unger and Brian Gerrits from Spring Breeze Dairy.

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 April meeting were approved upon motion by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Supervisor Tilkens, motion carried.

The treasurer's report was read by Linda Frank. Motion to approve the report was made by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Supervisor Tilkens, motion carried. There was a question on whether \$15,000 was transferred to the fire department for town's share of the new fire vehicle and if transfer was made from cemetery account for last year's cemetery expenses of \$5904.61

New Business: Brian Gerrits from Spring Breeze re town's ordinance, permits and working with the town regarding hauling manure on certain town roads. Discussion on past complaints. The reasoning behind the bond was discussed also. Mr. and Mrs. Unger brought up their concerns regarding the hauling that has been done on Buettner Road and the mess that was left behind. The question of penalties that should be imposed if farm or hauler violates the permit or ordinance. This matter will be discussed further. More information on penalties or fines will also have to be discussed with the Department of Transportation and the Towns Association, before they can become part of the current ordinance. Mr. and Mrs. Unger also asked other questions concerning the farms and manure hauling. It was recommended that the bond option be reviewed in one year for reconsideration. It was felt that a better understanding must be made between the farm and the township. Besides Brian Gerrits, another individual that will be working with the town is Joe Hamauer. In the end the board hopes that the confusion over hauling, bonds and truck routes was cleared up. The ordinance and permit will be reviewed in November.

General Building and Plant – Nothing new to report.

Highway – The salt/sand mixture has been moved and a tarp has been placed on it. More gravel has been hauled in for residents to use for potholes, mailbox approaches, etc.

Fire Department – 2015 2% fire dues and \$15,000 for the new fire vehicle will be forwarded to the department's treasurer within the week.

Rescue Squad – EMS week is May 15th thru the 21st. A proclamation has been signed by Governor Walker. In 2015 there were 48 runs and there have been 49 runs so far in 2016. The squad is still looking for EMT. Paperwork required by the rescue squad was discussed.

Recycling – summer hours are now in place. Garbage left on Elst Road also discussed.

Cemetery – Rick Walters, cemetery attendant, was present asking permission to have contractor remove trees in the cemetery. Rick was told to mark the trees that he feels need to be removed and the board will review the situation and contract to have this done. Discussion on “Living Urn”. The decomposing urn is filled with special dirt and the deceased ashes and a tree is planted. A townspeople would like to be able to do this in our cemetery. After discussion the board prefers not to have trees planted in this manner.

Correspondence reviewed with the board.

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

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 P.M.