

Minutes – Monthly Meeting July 14, 2020

- 1-The meeting was called to order by Town Chair Ken Scheps at 7:23 pm. Board members in attendance were Chair Ken Scheps, Supervisors Harland Becker & Ed Miller, Treasurer Hoyt Rose, Shop Employee Gary Krecker, and Clerk Lois Hoff. No one present for the public.
- 2-The Clerk states when and where the Notice and Agenda for the meeting was posted.
- 3-The monthly meeting minutes for June 9, 2020, were read by Clerk Lois Hoff. Supervisor Harland Becker makes motion to approve minutes as read and 2nd by Supervisor Ed Miller. Motion carried.
- 4-The Treasurer report for May 2020 was given by Treasurer Hoyt Rose. Chair Ken Scheps makes a motion to approve Treasurer's report as given, Supervisor Harland Becker 2^{nds} the motion. Motion Carried. Board discusses possibility of need to borrow money and when. Clerk to check on amounts allowed to claim on Mill Rate.
- 5-Public Input: Chair Ken Scheps inquires about the dump site being open. Per Gary – they are still logging so it is still open all day. If someone calls he tells them to drive over & see because most people calling are closer to the site than he is. Per Treasurer Hoyt Rose – he opens the dump site the 2nd Saturday of each month. Per Chair Ken Scheps he agrees that residents can drive over & see if open. Clerk brings up that her neighbors from the cities that own the place north of her want to have a live band outside the last weekend in July – from 5 pm to 9 pm - and want to know if they need a permit. Board discusses - no permit needed. Chair Ken Scheps does bring up that that Barron County just today changed outside gatherings he thinks to 50 people. Clerk informs Board that she rec'd e-mail from Barron County Treasurer Vonnie Ritchie that tax settlements will be paid in full by August 20th. Tax payments seem to be coming in timely. Clerk also informs the board that Lisa from FEMA sent e-mail regarding our volunteer labor and equipment hours from July 19, 2019 storm that Brian at WI State level has approved the labor & equipment hours - \$30,064.54 - it is approximately \$4000.00 higher than what we first had been told.
- 6-Hoyt Rose presents to Board his request to change his property at 1289 4th Street, Almena, from RR to AG-1. Hoyt explains the maps presented to the Board. The Board discusses. Supervisor Harland Becker makes motion to grant request. Supervisor Ed Miller 2^{nds} the motion. Motion carried. Chair Ken Scheps signs the request.
- 7-Clerk explains why the need for a Public Ordinance is on the agenda. A resident had called asking if there was one and his concerns about trying to sell some property and potential buyers not wanting to buy due to the accumulation of items on the property next door. Board thinks there is an Ordinance from approximately 10 years ago. Clerk to check. Board members will check out the property. Clerk to inform resident.
- 8-Board goes over LRIP/TRIP Agreement from the State and the ad that will run in the Halco Press for two consecutive weeks.
- 9-Board goes over the June 27 Spring Clean-up expenses - \$996.00.
- 10-Board goes over Barron Cty Hwy outstanding bill and E&K culvert bill. Clerk to pay Barron Cty Hwy invoice #8961 for \$588.81 and to pay E&K in full - \$4260.00. Board discusses other culverts that need to be done and who to do them.
- 11-Road maintenance and equipment. Gary Krecker gives board map with roads that need to be line painted – 10.1 miles. Gary needs to let the county know in the morning which ones need to be done. Board discusses. Gary also presents map with faded lines – 10.8 miles. Approximately 20 miles at a cost of \$11,000. Board gives ok on which roads. Chair Ken Scheps to Treasurer regarding the letter to residents that goes with the tax statements – need to add language regarding not to put rocks in the ditches. Gary had just put a new blade on mower to mow ditches and hit a big rock and ruined the blade.
- 12-Next regular monthly board meeting will be Monday, August 10, 2020 at 7 pm due to the August Primary on Tuesday, August 11th.
- 13-Board goes over & signs vouchers 8998 through 8919. Supervisor Harland Becker makes motion to approve vouchers 8998 through 8919 with #9001 voided. Chair Ken Scheps 2^{nds} the motion. Motion carried.
- 14- Supervisor Harland Becker makes motion to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Ed Miller 2nd the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:27 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Hoff, Clerk

