February 8, 2023

Regular Board Meeting

Chairman Bukovic called the February 8, 2023, meeting to order at 6pm.

Roll Call:

Present: Bukovic, Bruno, c/t Micolichek Absent: Ferris & McCarthy

Approval of Agenda:

Motion was made by Bruno to approve the agenda; motion seconded by Bukovic. Motion carried.

Reading and approval of Previous month's minutes:

The minutes from the previous Regular board Meeting were read by Micolichek and motion to approve the minutes as read was made by Bruno; motion seconded by Bukovic. Motion Carried.

Financial Report:

The January Financial report was presented. Motion to approve the Financial Report as read was made by Bukovic; motion seconded by Bruno. Motion carried.

Personnel Policy Change Discussion and possible Action:

Changes to vacation days discussed. Motion made by Bruno to change amount of vacation from 10 to 15 days after 10 years of employment. This motion was seconded by Bukovic. Motion Carried.

Officer and Committee Reports

Micolichek: Advised Frontier Line in Town Garage is disconnected now and phone numbers for town crew will be updated on website. Office phone will stay on however clerk was able to get prices down from 100 to 65 for each line, one in the town office and one up at the north fire station. Bug Tussle will be paying rent for the Tower down at the South Transfer site monthly instead of one yearly payment. Discussed Fall Clerk Workshop. Advised of water leaking into office from front of Hall, road crew fixed where it is coming in for the time being. Clerk also brought up Mark Ferris's request to look into other banks, Laona State Bank and CoVantage Credit Unions are offering higher interest rates on money markets and CDs.

Bukovic: Bukovic shared an update on the Hiles Fire Department Fisheree, everything went good, North end helped sell tickets and we are thankful they were involved, Clerk gave message from Fire Chief to Assistant Fire Chief that the South end station will come up and help them cut wood for their fund raiser when they are ready. Bukovic also advised generator was purchased for transfer site. Bukovic asked about Ayers bill that is due from Lake District, Ferris had previously stated that Lake District will pay.

Bruno: No reports.

Citizen's input: Assistant Chief Prening: Asked about IAmResponding, Clerk advised that Fire Chief did look into this and Annie from Laona and Mark from Argonne will be helping to figure out how to get the north end set up since it needs to be separate from station 1. **Bill Biemborn**: Asked about the status of the Dam replacement, Bukovic the town is locked into the amount we have saved for the Dam and Lake District will be covering the rest. Bill also brought up the north end needed a UTV for winter rescues on Snowmobile trails, especially with all the accidents around the Northwoods this winter. Asked if we can set up a town hall type meeting and invite our state representatives to discuss some concerns the Town of Hiles Board and Residents have. Clerk will look into this. Board and residents in attendance also had a discussion about the snowmobiles going too fast down trails where it goes down a residential road and/or crosses a road. **Julie Brink:** Advised of Soup Day Saturday Feb 11.

Approval to Pay Monthly Bills:

Motion made by Bukovic to approve the payment of monthly bills and payroll as presented by clerk; motion seconded by Bruno. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Motion was made by Bukovic to adjourn; motion seconded by Bruno. Motion carried. 6:29pm.