

Town of Woodboro Board of Supervisors

Monthly meeting minutes

Monday, December 16, 2019

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The regular monthly board meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairperson Phil Kriesel. Chair Kriesel confirmed the agenda was posted in appropriate places and the town's website.

Members present were Chairperson Phil Kriesel, Supervisors Bill Rudis and James Engman, Clerk Judy May, and Treasurer Joann Beltz. There were 8 audience member present. Roll call completed.

Supervisor Rudis made a motion and seconded by Supervisor Engman to approve the Budget Hearing and Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2019. Motion carried by voice vote.

Supervisor Rudis made a motion to accept the December 2019 Expenditures as presented. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Engman. Motion carried by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Beltz reported an adjusted balance of \$424,651.77.

New Business:

First agenda item: Proposed electric reliability project. Chair Kriesel recommends putting in underground service at the Woodboro Town Hall. Supervisor Rudis made a motion to convert to hire an electricity to convert to underground electrical lines and do some additional electrical work inside the hall. Supervisor Engman seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote. Chair Kriesel will contact a local electrical contractor.

Second agenda item: First Responders annual report. (Originally tabled until next month, but then Tim Brunette showed up to do report later in the meeting). Tim provided the board with the annual reports on their checking and savings accounts for the Woodboro First Responders. He explained the expenses for the year and informed the board of upcoming 2020 anticipated expenses including needed training by June 2020. There have been 51 calls they responded to date in 2019. Tim reported that there were issues with a repeater issue with radios in Oneida County. There were several areas that the current radios are ineffective. He explained that Oneida County has purchased the necessary equipment to fix the issue, but they haven't installed it. Clerk May was instructed to send a certified letter to Oneida County representative Mitch Ives asking for a resolution to this matter. The board thanked Tim and the Woodboro First Responders for their service.

Third agenda item: Cemetery-Kyle Johnson. Tabled to next month as Kyle could not attend this meeting.

Fourth agenda item: Clerk May read the Fireworks Permit Application Resolution 12-19 allowing the town clerk to issue fireworks permits without the application being approved by the full town board. Supervisor Engman made a motion to approve Resolution 12-19. Supervisor Rudis seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

Fifth agenda item: Election news-Clerk May. Clerk May reported that she held a training session on Dec. 5th. The election workers have been scheduled for all five elections. There will be five poll workers and the chief inspector working for each election. The February 18th regularly scheduled meeting date needs to be changed as it is the same as an election day. The board discussed and approved the new February monthly meeting day be changed to Feb. 19th.

Sixth agenda item: Election Board-Clerk May. Clerk May announced the proposed election workers for 1/1/20-12/31/21: Jackie Rudis, Chief Inspector; Dolly Meeuwesen, Marilyn Orton, Jenny Rudis, Tom Habelwitz, Jerry May, Augden Windelborn, Jane Windelborn, Beth Engman, Sharon Jakusz, Raphael DeLevega (substitute) and Bobbi Pohnl (substitute). Supervisor Rudis made a motion to accept the Town of Woodboro Election Board as presented. Supervisor Engman seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

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Old Business:

First and Second agenda items: United to Amend and Fair Elections Project request for referendum questions on April 2020 ballot. Deb Durschlag stated that the Fair Elections Project did not agree to the removal of "nonpartisan" from their question. Following discussion, she formally requested it be removed from the ballot. Supervisor Rudis made a motion to remove the question from the ballot. Supervisor Engman seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

Clerk May provided the board with a variety of questions for the United to Amend question as she was listening to the recording of last month's meeting, and she noticed there were several variations presented and wanted to verify that the wording from the minutes was accurate. It was determined they were accurate and what the board had agreed upon. Clerk May then provided the board members with a memo from the Wisconsin Elections Commission explaining the rights of the town board and the clerk. She also stated that she had contacted Rep. Mary Fezklowski's office for additional information related to the two questions that were presented to the board at the previous meetings and shared the information they provided. Oneida County Clerk Tracy Hartman provided an estimated cost of up to \$500 to have these questions added to the town's ballot. If the questions were not on the ballot, the town would not be responsible for any of the costs to produce the ballots or for programming of election equipment. She also stated that the board had not planned for these additional costs while preparing the annual budget in October and questioned where the money would come from. Audience members weighed in on their views and had questions about other ways these questions could be voted on without any costs to the town. It was explained that they could still vote on these questions if they were put on the ballot by the county or state. Clerk May stated that in the past the First Responder budget had been cut and didn't feel that these costs were in the best interest of the town. Chair Kriesel asked the supervisors their opinion about how to proceed with the question. Following discussion, Supervisor Engman made a motion to remove the United to Amend question from the ballot. Supervisor Rudis seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

Third agenda item: Oneida Lake access –Ted Somer has the final CSM ready. Tabled to next month.

Fourth agenda item: Town Roads

- Bowen's road maintenance:
 - Plowing was approximately \$11,000 over the last month.
 - The snowbanks on Hwy 8 and Cty K had to be pushed back
 - Sand/salt was purchased for approximately \$11,000.
- Rambling Lane – Ted Somer is working on the survey.

Fifth agenda item: Public Comments

- A suggestion was given to contact our Oneida County representative Mitch Ives to raise concerns with costs about the referendum questions. Clerk May was instructed to draft a letter.

A motion was made by Supervisor Rudis and seconded by Supervisor Engman to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.