

# Town of Woodboro Board of Supervisors

## Monthly meeting minutes

Tuesday, July 19, 2022

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, Treasurer Joann Beltz, and Clerk Judy May. There were 3 audience member present. Roll call completed.

Supervisor Rudis made a motion and seconded by Supervisor Engman to approve the Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes from June 21, 2022. Motion carried by voice vote.

Supervisor Rudis made a motion to accept the July 2022 Expenditures as presented. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Engman. Motion carried by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Beltz reported an adjusted balance of \$902,877.97.

### **New Business:**

1. Anthony Rio- Oneida County representative report. Not present.
2. Operator License Renewals: Gretchen Femrite. Clerk May stated that her application was completed and fees have been paid. Background check is clear. Supervisor Rudis made a motion to approve the license. Supervisor Engman seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.
3. Election-August election information. Clerk May reported the public equipment testing will be held on Tuesday, August 2, 2022, at 4 p.m. at the town hall. The public is welcomed to attend. The partisan primary fall election will be held on Tuesday, August 9, 2022, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Approximately 40 absentee ballots have been sent out thus far.
4. Bowens Contract-Increased prices. Chair Kriesel contacted Bowens regarding their current contract and discussed the increase in fuel prices. Supervisor Engman asked if the prices quoted were only related to fuel only or if it was for other items as well. Jake Kriesel stated that the new prices were figured on not only fuel, but also tires, equipment, oil, etc. They used a 7% increase per \$1.00 increase in fuel prices. He explained how Bowens figured their new numbers. Jake stated that Bowens would like to continue to be the provider of the services they provide for the town. Supervisor Engman asked why the increase wasn't just a 7% increase across the board. Jake provided the increase information for prices on various repair parts and oil needed to run the equipment. Supervisor Rudis agreed that equipment part prices have had substantial increases. Chair Kriesel stated that he believes the increases represent the times that we are living in. Furthermore, he stated that when looking ahead, the town will need to change contract language to address price changes in the future. Jake stated that for every \$1 decrease, the prices will go back down accordingly. Supervisor Rudis stated that he doesn't see any other option than to approve the price changes. Supervisor Engman stated that he would like to know the prices monthly from the source that Bowens purchases it from (Ritchie). Jake will put the price of fuel on the invoices moving forward so the town is aware of the pricing on each invoice.

Supervisor Rudis made a motion to accept the proposed price increases for the Bowens contract based on the monthly fuel rate. Supervisor Engman asked about the maintenance items and was wondering if they purchased any materials recently. Jake stated they've only had to purchase oil

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and filters. Supervisor Engman asked if they owned or rented their equipment. Jake stated that most items are owned, but bigger equipment is rented. Supervisor Engman asked if they stocked repair parts. Jake stated that they don't have a huge inventory of repair parts. Supervisor Engman asked if they would be interested in renegotiating a contract in January 2023 rather than waiting for the expiration date of the original contract. Chair Kriesel stated he would have to talk to the Wisconsin Town's Assn. to see if it needs to be re-opened for all bidders, and that he would like to see additional verbiage added to include a gas price fluctuation device in future contracts. Supervisor Engman stated that he preferred that future contracts be more binding. Supervisor Engman reluctantly seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote. Chair Kriesel stated that he would like Bowens and the town board to investigate acceptable methods of contract negotiations for future contracts.

### **Old Business:**

1. Town Roads.
  - a. Rambling Lane. Ted Somer has flagged the corners and is working with the property owner on a FEMA study regarding property being in a flood plain. Tabled to next month.
  - b. Road report.
    - i. Trees were cleaned up.
    - ii. Oneida Lake access signs were placed.
2. Public Comments.
  - a. Chair Kriesel stated that there was a partial closure on the Waldinger lawsuit and the judge ruled in favor of the town.
  - b. Clerk May stated that Oneida Lake Rd. will be closed starting August 1<sup>st</sup> for road repair and Chair Kriesel stated that it will be closed for about a month.

A motion was made by Supervisor Rudis and seconded by Supervisor Engman to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.