

Town of Woodboro Board of Supervisors

Monthly meeting minutes

Tuesday, November 19, 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 10 audience member present. Roll call completed.

Supervisor Rudis made a motion and seconded by Supervisor Engman to approve the Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes of October 15, 2019. Motion carried by voice vote.

Supervisor Rudis made a motion to accept the November 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 \$438,517.65.

New Business:

First agenda item: Adopt 2020 Road Expenditures and Tax Levy. Supervisor Engman made a motion to adopt the 2020 Road Expenditures in the amount of \$210,183.81 and the Tax Levy in the amount of \$188,591.00. Supervisor Rudis seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

Second agenda item: Review and approve the 2019 Tax Inserts. Treasurer Beltz provided the board with a copy of the proposed 2019 tax insert. Supervisor Rudis made a motion to approve the tax inserts with an error to be corrected as presented. Supervisor Engman seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

Third agenda item: Driveway permit application – Aaron Knowles. Driveway is across the road from 2924 High Peak Rd. Supervisor Engman had inspected and approved the driveway as is. Supervisor Engman made a motion to approve the driveway application. Supervisor Rudis seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

Old Business:

First and Second agenda items: United to Amend and Fair Elections Project request for referendum questions on April 2020 ballot. Chair Kriesel stated that he reviewed the websites for the organizations and did not find them to be non-partisan. Supervisor Engman reiterated that he is not in favor of non-binding referendum questions on the ballot. Chair Kriesel stated that the Woodboro Town Board is a non-partisan board and is not interested in partisan politics. Board members were opposed to the ballot questions as written. D. Durschlag presented statistics regarding other towns and counties that have had the questions on their ballots. Clerk May offered some suggestions for the changing of wording on the United to Amend referendum question.

Supervisor Rudis made a motion to agree to the United to Amend question on the April 2020 ballot with the changes as read, "Resolved, that "We the People" of the Town of Woodboro, stand with communities across the country to support passage of an amendment to the United States Constitution stating: 1. Only citizens are endowed with constitutional rights-not corporations, unions, non-profits or other artificial entities, and 2. Money is not speech, and therefore limiting political contributions and spending is not equivalent to limiting speech." Chair Kriesel seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote with Supervisor Engman opposed.

After discussion about the use of the word non-partisan on the Fair Elections project question, D. Durschlag stated that she would need to confer with the Fair Elections Project to see if the term can be removed. Supervisor Rudis made a motion to agree to the Fair Elections Project question on the April

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2020 ballot with the term, non-partisan, removed from the question. Chair Kriesel seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote with Supervisor Engman opposed.

Second agenda item: Oneida Lake access –Town’s attorney has approved maps and paperwork has been sent out for signatures and to be filed. Tabled to next month.

Third agenda item: Town Roads

- County Park Rd. – work was done by McNaughton inmates to widen the roadway to help alleviate problems with plowing.
- Fire Tower Rd. has an area that is breaking apart and needs to be repaired, possibly next year.
- Bowen’s road maintenance:
 - 1100 tons of salt/sand has been moved to Bowen’s location.
- Rambling Lane – Contract received from Ted Somer for survey work. Supervisor Rudis made a motion to accept the contract for On Point Land Planning, LLC, in the amount of \$7500. Supervisor Engman seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

Fourth agenda item: Public Comments

- Pat Zatopa commented that Charter (Spectrum) was charging \$4.50 per month on her bill as a franchise fee. She called Charter and was told this fee would be sent to the Town of Woodboro. Chair Kriesel confirmed that the town does not receive monies from Charter. She was going to check into it again. Chair Kriesel thought perhaps the City of Rhinelander may be receiving monies.

A motion was made by Supervisor Rudis and seconded by Supervisor Engman to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.