

The town board meeting was called order at 7:30pm. All members were present.

The minutes from the February 9th town board meeting were read. A motion was made by Kirchner to approve the minutes as read, seconded by Mulder.

Public Concerns:

No public concerns.

Board reviewed the request from Michael Niedfeldt for a variance to construct a shed on his property located at W5466 Baker Road that would exceed the county restriction of 1500 square feet. This comes to the Board with the recommendation from the Plan Commission to allow him to construct a shed up to 3200 square feet in size with the stipulation that no buying or selling of salvage items takes place. A motion was made by Hesse to deny his request of a 3200 square foot construction and that Mr. Neidfeldt should come back with a different proposal. Seconded by Kirchner.

Board considered the request from Steve Lechner for an after-the-fact special exemption permit to allow for filling and grading of the shore line on is property located at W4593 Cty Rd T which is adjacent to Fleming Creek. The Department of Land Conservation and Zoning has already approved his request and the Town Plan Commission also recommends approval. Motion by Kirchner to approve, seconded by Dirk.

Roads:

- Bids for the road improvement project on Davis Creek Road were opened at 4pm today here in the town hall. Four bids were received: St. Joseph Construction, Hegg Construction, Kraemer and Gerke Excavating. All four bids were brought before the Board for selection. A motion was made by Kirchner that the bid be awarded to the low bidder St. Joseph Construction contingent on further review by Jewell Engineering, seconded by Mulder.

Following is a list of bids received:

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| St. Joseph Construction | \$808,572.26 |
| Hegg Construction | \$847,362.90 |
| Kraemer | \$827,191.20 |
| Gerke Excavating | \$921,756.62 |

- Board reviewed the funding proposals for a loan to complete the Davis Creek Road project. Following are the proposals:

Black River County Bank \$500,000
5-year fixed rate, 10 year repayment 2.35%
10 year fixed rate 3.2%

(A 0.2% reduction in interest would apply to either option by opening a deposit account of \$100,000 in the Black River Country Bank)

First National Bank up to \$450,000
2.4% for 5 years, 10 year amortization, renew after 5 years at current rate
2.9% for 10 years, 10 year amortization

State School Trust Fund
3% for 10 years

A motion was made by Hesse to accept the proposal from Black River Country Bank for a 2.35% - five year loan and to transfer funds in order to then receive the lower interest rate, seconded by Kirchner. Motion passed.

- County Board Chair Tara Johnson and County Hwy Commission Ron Chamberlain were in attendance to outline the planned process to help make the swap of STH 108 and Cty Hwy C as seamless as possible for residents along both routes. Shortly after the April election all affected residences will receive a postcard alerting them that a large white envelope would be arriving via the mail during the week of April 18th. This packet will contain information about how to change their addresses.

The County will also have workers on hand in the Town Hall during the last week in April to help residents make these changes online if they prefer (dates will be provided in the packet.) Signage along these two routes will be changed after May 1st.

- Board reviewed aggregate prices from Kraemer Co. for the Mindoro and Romskog Quarries. Motion to approve prices made by Kirchner, seconded by Mulder.

Solid Waste

No discussion, Gary Hougom from Hilltopper Refuse was not present.

Emergency Services

Three EMT have completed the refresher courses.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed. A motion made by Mulder to approve receipts 205023 through 205038, seconded by Hesse.

The township checks were reviewed. A motion was made by Kirchner to approve township checks #19862 through #19918 and the EFTS and Fire Department checks #4256 - 4257. Seconded by Mulder.

Motion to adjourn at 9:25pm by Mulder, seconded by Kirchner.