

Town Board meeting October 3, 2017

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

The minutes from the September 5th meeting were read. A motion was made by Kastenschmidt to approve the minutes as read, seconded by Lash.

#### Public Concerns

- Tom Brindley inquired about the timeline for the updating of the County Rd C, Chairman Hesse informed that it will be completed next year per Tara Johnson, County Board Chair.
- Inquiry regarding the status of high speed internet improvement in our township, Chairman Hesse updated that the survey had been completed and distributed to internet provider companies. We have had no further communication from Bug Tussle.
- Clerk informed of a hearing loss claim from a former employee and the outcome which was covered by our workers compensation insurance.

Board reviewed Ashley Pugh's Operator License application, motion made by Hesse to deny her application due to her arrest record, seconded by Kastenschmidt.

Motion made by Kastenschmidt to issue a permit to Treston Fry allowing him to live in his RV on his property located at N9271 County Rd V while constructing a single family home, seconded by Lash. Permit which costs \$15.00 is valid from October 2017 through July 31, 2018.

Motion made by Lash to approve a conditional use permit for Allan Storandt to construct a single family residence on his tax parcel 5-860-0 which is Class 1 and Class 2 farmland, seconded by Kastenschmidt. This was also approved by the Township Plan Commission.

Motion made by Kastenschmidt to approve a conditional use permit for Mike Hanson to construct a grain bin and 50 x 80 shed on his property located at N9254 Cty Rd V, seconded by Lash. Plan Commission has also approve this request as they feel this use meets with goals set out by our land use plan for preservation of agriculture lands and businesses.

Health insurance quotes: the only quote available at this time was from Health Traditions which reflects a 40% increase in premium. Requests for quotes have been sent to several other insurance companies but bids have not been received. Further review of health insurance options will be completed at the next Town Board meeting.

#### Roads

- Board reviewed photos of the Wanless Road and the repairs completed after the heavy rains this summer. Scott Whitsett from Jewell Engineering feels they would have to do some boring before any further work is completed on this road. He also feels that it is safe for now. We will apply for TRIPD or TRIP funding the help with the costs of reconstruction of approximately 1/2 mile of the road. A motion was made by Kastenschmidt to retain Mr. Whitsett from Jewell Engineering to complete the study on this road, seconded by Lash.
- Repairs have been completed on the Wenzel Road bridge. Mr. Whitsett from Jewell has stated that he feels the bridge is safe and we can wait until the next bridge inspection report has been completed to determine if further work is necessary.
- Board also reviewed photos of the repairs completed on Jerome Road.
- A bid of \$500.00 was received from Brad Walker to purchase the two tandem-axle trailer no longer needed by the Township. Motion made by Kastenschmidt to accept the bid, seconded by Lash.

### Emergency Services

- Chairman Hesse reported that he received a phone call from Rep. Ron Kind wondering how the recovery effort from the flooding was going in our township.
- The emergency generator installation is complete; it has been tested and is ready to be used when needed.

### Solid Waste/Recycling

- A load of crushed rock is needed at the drop-off center in a low area
- Dennis Konze will be taking a vacation the end of November; he has made arrangements for Marv Heinrich and Larry Konze to fill in for him.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed. A motion made by Lash to approve receipts 541768 through 541793, seconded by Kastenschmidt.

The township checks were reviewed. A motion was made by Kastenschmidt to approve township checks 20507-20533 and fire department #4322-4326. Seconded by Lash.

Motion to adjourn at 11:00pm.