

Town Board meeting February 5, 2019

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

The minutes from the January 8th board meeting and January 11th special meeting were read. Motion was made by Kastenschmidt to approve the minutes with one correction on each, seconded by Lash.

Public Concerns

- Chairman Hesse informed that the suspended ceiling in the bank has collapsed. Repairs will be completed by First National Bank per the rental agreement. They are considering restoring it to its original look which included a sky light that has been hidden by the drop ceiling for decades.
- A landowner on R. Young Rd is considering putting in a housing development and will need an extension to the road as well as zoning changes to do so.
- There has been a complaint about the smoke/smell caused by a long burning brush fire in the township. Responsible party has agreed to make smaller piles and burn more often. Burning permits will no longer be issued for a week.
- Work on the fire truck has been completed by the manufacturer, all under warranty.

Operator License

Board reviewed Operator License application from Kadie Ness, she is currently licensed in the City of La Crosse and has completed her server certification. Motion to approve made by Lash, seconded by Kastenschmidt.

Roads

- Township received a mailbox damage claim from a resident on Severson Road, post master informed that said mailbox has been under suspension because it was too low for carrier access. Motion made by Kastenschmidt to deny the claim, seconded by Lash. Letter will be sent to claimant.
- Board reviewed the pricing for aggregates from Kraemer Co for 2019 and noted all have been increased. Motion made by Kastenschmidt to accept the new pricing, seconded by Lash.
- The rubber carbide blades added to the snow plow are working well.
- Chairman Hesse continues to look for a new radio for the Dodge truck, will check with the company where the fire department gets their pagers.

Emergency Management

No business.

First Responder Chili Dinner fund raiser will be March 17th

Emergency Services

- The state has adopted National Standards for firefighter training which means all firefighters will be required to complete more hours of training and testing. Some of the classes can be completed online but testing must be done in person. Our current firefighters have all met the previous training requirements and continue to complete 3 hours of training every month.
- Chairman Hesse presented a Commendation in the form of a resolution to the four Farmington firefighters who have completed FireFighter 2 training and testing: Taylor Brehmer, Tom Reuter, Cody Morse and Steven Hancock. Motion to adopt Resolution 2019-1 made by Lash, seconded by Kastenschmidt. Show of hands: 3 yes, 0 no.

Solid Waste/Recycling

No business.

Closed meeting

Board scheduled closed meeting with owners of former elementary school for February 22 at 9am pending availability of new owners. Chairman Hesse noted that voter approval would be needed before the township could enter into any lease agreements, this meeting is only to hear the new owners plans for the property.

Officer Training

Board members were reminded of the municipal officers training being held on March 16th.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed. A motion was made by Kastenschmidt to approve receipts 327166 through 327170, seconded by Lash.

The township checks were reviewed. A motion was made by Lash to approve township checks #21063 through #21120 and the EFTS and the Fire Department checks #4387 through #4410. Seconded by Kastenschmidt. Board approved paying Les Bryhn for cemetery management for the 1st Quarter of 2018.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15.