

Town of Menomonie

Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, December 7, 2021 at 6:00pm

Frank called the Regular Board Meeting to Order at 6:00 pm

Minutes

- Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on November 9th, 2021 were reviewed.
- No corrections were noted, Scott made a motion to approve. Kent 2nd Carried.

Public

- Craig Fregean was present to let the Board know he had dug a ditch in preparation of the road work to be completed in the Spring. He had the opportunity to start on it now rather than early next year so he took advantage of the available time. Frank let him know it would be CR Bryan's first project this Spring. They will require a silk fence to keep dirt off his fields during construction. They will be putting in 3 culverts with aprons to take care of the water issues Craig has been having.

24/7 Telcom Update

- Lori Meyers was present to let the Board know that the PFC awarded and approved 11 of the 12 grants that were applied for. Approval came on Oct 14, 2021. The goal is to have all of the Township with Fiber to the house within the next three years. In March they will be requesting a grant for the remaining ARPA funds the township has. Surveys will continue to go out to assess where the pockets of underserved are. She was unable to provide a date that homes will start to be hooked up in Irvington area. The teams are still testing Fibers and have not started home insulations.
- Frank asked that she bring contracts to our Feb or Mar Meeting this coming year.

Driveway Permits

- Two drive permits were reviewed by the Board:
One was for Ronald and Bonnie Konsela on 710th Ave. Kent made a motion to approve with a culvert being added in the Spring. Scott 2nd Carried
The other was for the Rosenthal Property to put two driveways in on 429th Street. Scott made a motion to approve, Kent 2nd Carried

Cemetery Update

- Frank sold a cemetery plot Section 50, Lot 5 to Sharon and Randy Cook and received a check for \$300.

Employee/Chairman Report

- Both Jeff and Cody were present to go over their time sheets and projects they have been working on.
- A new throttle was put in the Kenworth at the expense of \$493.20
- Scrap was brought to Downs ville adding \$217 to Misc. Income
- Stop signs have been replaced due to rotting posts.
- Jeff and the Town of Dunn helped each other get equipment ready for snow plowing.
- The Well pump at the Hall had to be serviced, the furnace too is acting up and Frank made a service call.

LRIP and LRIP-S Ratings

- LRIP committee ranked project applications to submit to WisDOT on Monday Nov 15, 2021. Town of Menomonie TRID project for 330th Street was ranked #2 (out of 12) with an estimated cost of \$660,00.00 and 410th Street was ranked #10 with an estimated cost of \$540,00.00.
- We expect to receive \$14,611.64 in grant funding that has been split with the other 11 townships in Dunn County.

Newsletter Approval

- The Board reviewed the bi-annual newsletter. Confirmed they announced raising the cost of the collection site to \$105 per household from last years \$102. The Brochure and Newsletter will go out with the Tax Roll and Bills.
- Kent made a motion to approve the Newsletter, Scott 2nd Carried.

Poll Workers List

- The Board reviewed the names submitted to us for Poll Workers.
- The Republican Party submitted the following:
 - Tom Birthman
 - Diane Rust
 - Richard Rust
 - Dana Leipnitz
 - Mike Cooper
 - Cecelia Cooper
 - Mike Davis
 - Nancy Davis
 - Carrie Cook
 - Lois Shackleton
 - Richard Shackleton
 - Gus Almquist
 - Geneva Almquist
 - Kelly Carothers
- The Democratic Party submitted the following:
 - Lisa Hintzman
 - Jeff Richter
 - Abraham Smith
 - Jill Smith
 - Janine Thull
 - Dick Tyson
- Charisse added the names Debby Lowe (Republican) and Lisa Hoffman (Independent)
- Scott made a motion to approve the list of Poll Workers for the 2022-2024 Term. Kent 2nd Carried.

Drop off Site Update

- Year to date expenses for the Site are \$84.58 per household and \$108.24 with the 2020 start up costs. We will get December's final numbers in next month and complete our year in review.
- The Board has agreed things continue to run smoothly and overall; feedback has been very positive with this last year. We do not know how costs will increase over the next year, but will continue to evaluate it monthly.

Plan Commission Update/Appointment

- The commission will be meeting Dec 28th for the Rosenthal Idella Ridge Conceptual Approval. If approved it will go to the next Board meeting on Jan 11th.
- Frank said he would like the commission to review a Developer's Agreement. He has a sample of one he is sending to Kent to have the committee review.
- Tunde thought we should incorporate that and have our attorney review a draft.

Newspaper-Designated publication change

- The Glenwood City Tribune and Colfax messenger cover much of Dunn County. We also like working with them, they can add to their paper on a much shorter deadline than the Dunn County News. Both publish a Wednesday edition. We have determined to use DeWitt Media Circulation (Glenwood Tribune) this coming year.
- Kent made a motion to approve the change. Scott 2nd Carried.

Clerk Report

- Charisse has three of her required six hours of Elections training. She will be completing computer-based learning and webinars online and submit her completion by 12/31/21.

Board Reports

- Nancy has picked up the tax bills from the County is just waiting on the printer to complete the dump sticker tags that will go out. The deadline will be close, but she believes she can get them out on time
- Frank received a membership letter for TAC (Town Advocacy Council) with a mission of “Advocating for legislation that advances town government interests. The cost is \$0.25 per person of population. We have 3561 persons in our township according to the 2021 Censes. Membership would be \$890.25.
- Scott made a motion to approve the membership, Kent 2nd Carried.

Vouchers

- Vouchers were reviewed. Scott made a motion to approve the vouchers #20339-20378, Kent2nd Carried.

January Agenda

- Our next meeting will be held on January 11th at 6pm.
- Additional items on the agenda will be Employee contracts, Insurance and Equipment costs.

Adjourn

- Kent made a motion to adjourn at 7:42 pm Scott 2nd Carried.

Charisse Sutliff, Clerk Town of Menomonie