

Town of Washington-Rusk County

Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

March 3, 2023

- 1.) Monthly board meeting called to order at 6:30PM. Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present. Chuck Perry presented by phone.
- 2.) Chuck Perry made a motion to approve previous board minutes, seconded by Kurt Gorsegner. All approved and motion carried.
- 3.) Public Comment. Bob Schock presented for brother Mike who owns land on the east side of Windmill Road and was offering to allow for turn around for the town. Discussion by board members and decided to put on agenda for next month. Thanks from town.
- 4.) Treasurer's Report.
- 5.) Clerk's report. Shared information received in mail. Discussed Jaimie Wilk doing audit and agreed upon procedures. Discussion of insurance claim for truck, Need for estimates for claims adjuster...Brian will call Meyers. Discussion of up coming election and BOR training for new board members.
- 6.) Chairman's report. Reported that cows were loose in the township belonging to Stacy Clark. Reports of snow plowing good for both workers. Betsy explained on preparing the information to complete the Disaster Grant for Roads. \$20, 650.00 was approved. Reminded Brian about fixing men's bathroom toilet. Eric reported everything on grader fixed: hydraulic, spring, then breaker fuse shot. Brian spoke of trade with Big Bend, they will take care of all Hatch Rd and Washington will do all River Road. Discussion of strip of road where Squaw Point meets Townline Road where there are questionable issues. Brian also shared that he will be resigning at the end of the snow season. Discussion of putting add in Newspaper for new maintenance position. Discussion from Eric and quotes for graders. Also shared that Chippewa Valley Equipment , Holcombe, has new mechanic on Hwy 8 as a possible resource.
- 7.) Mark Schmitt presented information on county board. County employees are getting a 2% raise, new highway commissioner, on-going search for health director, and jail remodeling.

- 8.) Discussion of needing town road bans. Decision not to have them this year.
- 9.) Discussion of duties of town officers. Betsy brought up that she has investigated and found that clerk should be writing the checks, not treasurer. Clerk was given option of changing this or coming up with an ordinance to keep it the same with new treasurer writing the checks.
- 10.) Discussion of equipment purchases. Still looking for grader in town's price range. Discussion of different power washers. Kurt made a motion to spend up to \$4500 for power washer to clean equipment and shop. Seconded by Betsy. All approved and motion carried. Also discussed buying new treasurer a computer and printer which Betsy will take care of.
- 11.) Reviewed invoices and paid bills. Motion made by Betsy Patterson and seconded by Kurt Gorsegner. All approved and motion passed.
- 12.) Meeting adjourned. Motion made by Kurt Gorsegner and seconded by Betsy Patterson. All approved and motion passed at 8:15 PM.

Next meeting is April 11, 2023 at 6:30PM.

Sincerely,

Deb Klund, clerk