

February 6, 2013 Regular Town Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the Town Board was called to order by Chairman Gaulke at 10 a.m. Supervisors Ginger Schwanebeck, Mike Christensen, Treasurer Irene Messinger, and Clerk Nancy Edwards were present.

Others present: Eric Johnson from FYI.

This meeting was properly posted and the media notified as required by law.

Motion by Mr. Christensen, and seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to approve the agenda. The motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Christensen, and seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to approve voucher numbers 45618-45646 from the General Fund account, and 1529-1534 from the Ambulance Fund and 5158-5166 from the River Valley Tax Account.

Motion by Mr. Christensen seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2013 regular meeting as submitted. Motion carried.

Treasurer Messinger provided her report on the financial status as follows: Reconciled balance of the General fund as of 1/31/2013 as \$3,315,304.13 and reconciled balance of the Ambulance Fund as of 1/31/2013 as \$633,322.56. Irene brought to the attention of the board that the M&I Money Market account for the Ambulance is creating some problems. They only allow 6 debits per month and then a penalty fee is added. Sometimes the clerk needs to issue more than 6 checks per month. Money market accounts use to earn more interest. This is no longer the case. Board recommended that this money market account should be changed to a conventional checking account. Irene will check into this and new checks can be ordered. Irene also provided the board with a YTD postponed/delinquent report which shows the amount of personal property tax and the amount collected to date, as well as the real estate tax and amount collected to date. Motion by Mr. Christensen seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

Ambulance Department compensation: Mr. Gaulke reported he had a meeting with the ambulance department last Monday. The current rate for the EMT call is \$25.00 per run. To promote them to answer ambulance calls during the week days which has been struggling and Med 5 has had to cover he is suggesting we raise the \$25.00 per call to \$35.00 per call and also they would get an additional \$25.00 pager fee if they respond when they are on call. This increase will not affect the ambulance budget. Hopefully, this will encourage the EMT's to make the runs instead of calling in Med 5. Mr. Gaulke also had a meeting with the Sheriff's Department, Oneida and Vilas County Emergency Management

Department, Hospital EMS Department. They all had concerns about making our daily runs so they don't have to shift their ambulances around as much.

Tom Wegner stated along with the suggestion from the EMT's at the meeting that if they don't make their runs on the days they have the pager they would pay a \$25.00 fine. Motion by Mr. Christensen seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to increase the ambulance compensation and also to allow the deputy clerk additional hours if needed to help the Chief with paper work. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Gaulke and seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to adjourn at 10:09 a.m. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Edwards
Town Clerk