

September 2, 2015 Regular Town Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the town Board was called to order by Chairman Gaulke at 1:00 p.m. Supervisors Chris Mayer, Ginger Schwanebeck, Treasurer Irene Messinger and Clerk Nancy Edwards were present. Others present: Mike Strasburg from Lakeland Times, Kay Hoff, Norm Wetzel, Jim Sommerfeldt, Roberta Gast, Eric Johnson from FYI News, Chuck Schaus, Gary Szyclinski, Chief Wegner.

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

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

Motion by Mr. Mayer and seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to approve voucher numbers 47964-47994 from the General Fund account, voucher numbers 1643-1646 from the ambulance fund. Motion carried.

The minutes of the August 19, 2015 Regular Town Board meeting were presented for approval. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer Messinger provided her report on the financial status as follows: Reconciled balance of the General fund as of 08/31/2015 as \$1,037,884.53. Reconciled balance of the Ambulance Fund as of 08/31/2015 as \$397,909.76. August settlement was received. Motion by Mrs. Schwanebeck seconded by Mr. Mayer to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

Environmental Site Assessment Estimate: Mr. Gaulke reported we had the two estimates from the tribe for the environmental site assessment. He did get a third estimate from Coleman Engineering out of Ironwood. Mr. Fletcher from Coleman did contact Kristen Hansen of the Tribal Natural Resource Tribal Response Program and discussed it with her explaining it included the scope of work and tribe was looking for. The site assessment and testing of soil and ground water for potential contamination from the sand/salt. Total cost of the Coleman estimate was \$14,050. This did not include a survey of the property. Mr. Gaulke talked to Butch St. Germain and told him we would send him the estimate seeing it is involving tribally owned land. Motion by Mr. Mayer to approve the assessment proposal from Coleman for \$14,050, but his concern was where we are going to get the funds to pay for this. Mrs. Schwanebeck stated we did talk about this at our last meeting stating we may have to use the budgeted funds set aside for the hatchery contract to pay for this seeing the hatchery is not able to supply fingerlings this year due to renovation. Let it be noted this estimate is for assessment only. Mr. Gaulke stated we do not know what potential mitigation will come of this. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to approve the proposal from Coleman Engineering. Motion carried. We will get a copy over to the tribe for their approval of the Coleman proposal.

Sand/Salt Shed estimate: Mr. Gaulke stated we have an estimate from Pinno Construction for a 40'x80'x22' post frame building for \$223,525.00 and an older 2012 estimate for a building constructed for the Town of Nakomis for a 56'x36' building

for \$79,800.00. Pete from the road crew is still looking into other options such as the fabric roof type. Mrs. Schwanebeck asked if there are any DOT requirements or state requirements for specs. on this type of building. Pete stated that Pinno Construction stated that there are but he has not researched that yet. It was suggested that Pete contact Jared at the County Highway Dept. to see what he knew. The pads inside the building are generally asphalt as it is less affected by the salt. We would definitely want this constructed at the transfer station site as we own the land. The lease agreement with the tribe is over. To have a sand/salt shed is better for the environment and working conditions. At this time we need to get additional information and then solicit bids or proposals. Hopefully we can get a pad in this year and possibly have the building constructed next year. We will get this on an upcoming agenda as soon as we get additional information. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to solicit bids or proposals for construction of sand/salt shed. Motion carried.

Authorize bids for sand/salt storage pad: Mr. Gaulke explained we are going to need an asphalt pad at the transfer station for the sand/salt storage and potential new storage shed. He is estimating the pad to be 80 X160 compacted E-3 hot mix asphalt pad. We will do the proper posting notice and have bid opening at an upcoming meeting. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to obtain bids for the asphalt pad project. Motion carried.

Town Hall Survey: Mr. Gaulke stated we received a proposal from Wilderness Surveying, Inc. for the survey of the Town Hall Property. The proposal was for \$1350.00 and it is estimated it can be done within three weeks. Motion by Mrs. Schwanebeck seconded by Mr. Mayer to approve the survey proposal from Wilderness. Motion carried.

Ambulance Stand-by request for school football games: We received a request from the Lac du Flambeau School asking for ambulance stand-by services for the upcoming home school football games. Mr. Wegner stated this is something the ambulance service does every year at no cost to the school. Schedule was given to Chief Wegner. Motion by Mrs. Schwanebeck seconded by Mr. Mayer to approve the request as submitted. Motion carried.

Mr. Schaus was questioning about the funding for these projects. Mr. Mayer explained at this time we are awaiting price proposals before we can put together some type of plan. It also depends on the results of the environmental site assessment. Once we get the figures in order we can make a more intelligent decision of how to proceed, hopefully we will be able to budget for these expenses in the upcoming budget for 2016.

Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to adjourn at 1:26 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Edwards
Town Clerk