

January 29, 2020 Regular Town Board Meeting

The Special meeting of the Town Board was called to order by Chairman Gaulke at 1:00 p.m. Supervisor Mayer, Supervisor Cobb, Treasurer Irene Messinger and Clerk Nancy Edwards were present.

Others present: Jim Sommerfeldt, Tom Wegner, Roberta Gast, Norm Wetzel, Lakeland Times, Sue Ackland, Glenn Morrison, Pete Jacobsen, Jon Erdmann

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

Pledge of Allegiance:

Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Gloria Cobb to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Gloria Cobb to approve vouchers 52120-52133 of the General Fund. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Gloria Cobb to approve the minutes of the January 15, 2020 Regular Town Board Meeting. Motion carried.

Public Comment on agenda items only: Mr. Sommerfeldt stated he was inquiring about the bid results and what was approved by electors at a Special Town Meeting

Mr. Gaulke took a moment to remember Mike Christensen who recently expired. Mr. Christensen served on the Town Board for many years and was a big asset to the community. Mr. Gaulke asked for a moment of silence in memory of Mike.

A letter was received from Bill McCutchin asking the board to have a committee formed to study the costs/bids that were presented and they would report back to the Town Board monthly and by the last meeting in June 2020.

Fire Station #1 Bids: Mr. Morrison is here today to report the findings of the bids which seemed to all be in order. He made a list of items that could be removed from the project without really killing the project. The bids did come in over the electors approved amount of 1,750,000. There were a lot of items in the building that were not code compliant which needed to be corrected. The generator was a big cost of \$40,000.00. He is sending a letter to all the contractors that submitted bids asking them to resubmit their proposals with the items he presented that could be removed or changed. He is asking them to have their revised bids to the Town by Wednesday, February 12, 2020 by 1:00 at which time we will have another meeting to review the revision totals. Motion by Gloria Cobb seconded by Mr. Mayer to go ahead and contact the contractors with the revision and report back to the Town Board. Motion carried.

Transfer Station Recyclables/Hazardous Waste: Gloria Cobb was doing some investigation of the policies for Advance Disposal on Hwy 70. She stated that because of budget restraints the tribe is only doing a partnership with Advance. Advance gave her a list of what is accepted and was told if you are a tribal member the items are accepted at no cost. The list states the charges for non-tribal members. Pete Jacobsen from the transfer station stated we have 3 options. Keep collecting the items as we currently do and the town will just have to pay the

bill, come up with a price list and charge residents the amount to cover the costs and we take the items over to Advance or continue with Retrofit, or send everybody to Advance. The town really does not want to see these items turn up in the woods or along the roadside. The amounts collected should be greatly reduced with the tribal entities using Advance Disposal. Motion by Gloria Cobb seconded by Mr. Mayer to have the attendant continue to collect the recyclable/hazardous waste items at no charge and continue to have Retrofit collect the materials, and re-evaluate the situation if the costs get out of control. Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Gloria Cobb to adjourn at 1:45 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Edwards
Town Clerk