

TOWN OF FIFIELD REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MINUTES of October 16, 2014

ROLL CALL: Meeting was brought to order on October 16, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at the Pike Lake Fire Hall. Roll call: D. Noetzel, J. Hintz, J. Wierzba present. Also present S. Putnam and 5 others.

MINUTES: Motion (Wierzba, Noetzel) to accept the minutes of the October 2, 2014 regular board meeting as presented. Motion approved, voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Presented and accepted was the treasurer's report for September, 2014.

TOWN CREW REPORT: T. Fleming reported that R. Balzar suffered a head injury on October 7, 2014 while working at the Fifield Transfer site when the lid on a recycling bin blew closed and hit his head. A workers compensation claim was filed. A return to work slip has been received for October 17, 2014. He missed two days of work. Fleming was wondering if the scrap steel could be cleaned up at the transfer sites before winter. D. Noetzel will call W. Smith from Northland Recycling. Fleming reported that the no wake buoys have been pulled from the Pike Lake Chain of Lakes. The work on Brahmstadt is done for the year and Fleming received a signed release from Karpinen's to put in a drain for the road on their property. The clerk was instructed to send a letter to the Forest Service asking them to include the town's right of way when cutting along Lueder Road. Fleming noted that Sailor Lake may need gravel next year.

PFACDC PRESENTATION OF 2014 ANNUAL REPORT AND REQUEST FOR CONTRIBUTION IN 2015: F. Kempf, Administrator of the PFACDC presented the 2014 annual report and asked the town to consider a \$1,250 contribution for 2015. He also asked the town to consider erecting a sign on Hwy 70 and 13 promoting the planned Fifield Industrial Park.

DISCUSS FIRE DEPARTMENT #2 REQUEST TO PURCHASE EXTRICATION CUTTER: Motion (Hintz, Wierzba) to authorize Fire Chief Terry Mantor to purchase an extrication cutter package for \$10,065.00. Motion approved, voice vote. The Pike Lake Chain Firefighters may consider reimbursing the department for this cost. Mantor reported that the boiler for the Pike Lake meeting room is malfunctioning. The cost to replace would be approximately \$3,600.

DISCUSS CRUSHING OF GRAVEL IN 2014 PAYABLE IN 2015: Granberg had offered to crush gravel this year and receive payment next year. That offer has been rescinded as they are running behind schedule.

ADOPT RESOLUTION NO 2014-02, REQUEST FOR STATE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FOR 9-4-14 STORM DAMAGE: Motion (Wierzba, Hintz) to adopt Resolution No 2014-02 agreeing to meet the obligation to contribute 30% of the cost share for eligible damages and to state that no other funds have been sought for damages resulting from the 9-4-14 storm. Motion approved, voice vote.

2015 BUDGET REVIEW: The board reviewed and finalized the 2015 budget.

DRIVEWAY ACCESS PERMITS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: D. Lapp inquired about the metal building at the lift station. He was told to contact the Fifield Sanitary District.

CORRESPONDENCE: Chair Noetzel reported that he talked with the Price County District Attorney regarding the upcoming trial for J. Toelle regarding unauthorized use of Fire Dept. #1's fuel card. Correspondence included the notice of pre-trial conference regarding the Toelle matter, timber cutting permits for P. Tychen and B. Slack, notice for the Price County Unit of WTA meeting, letter from JB Disposal soliciting business, and an e-mail from the Forest Service regarding their 2014 Red Pine Salvage Project resulting from the September 4, 2014 windstorm.

Review Invoices: Invoices were reviewed. Motion (Wierzba, Hintz) to accept the invoices for payment. Motion approved, voice vote.

Adjourn: Motion at 8:25 p.m. (Hintz, Wierzba) to adjourn. Motion approved, voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally L. Putnam, Clerk