

TOWN OF FIFIELD REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MINUTES OF October 6, 2016

ROLL CALL: Meeting was brought to order on October 6, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at the Fifield Town Hall. Roll Call: D. Noetzel, J. Hintz, J. Wierzba present. Also present were S. Putnam and 7 others.

MINUTES: Motion (Hintz, Noetzel) to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2016 regular board meeting and the September 21, 2016 special board meeting. Motion approved, voice vote.

TOWN CREW REPORT: T. Fleming reported on a meeting with a DNR representative to check out Chada Road in regard to permitting. A wetland permit is not required but a storm water permit is. The progress on Berry Patch Rd was checked out and it was noted that the road looks good and that the storm water permit is being followed. E. Cichy is finishing up mowing for the year. Fleming met with M. Koshak of the Forest Service to do a ride through of the forest service roads in the township. Fleming presented the completed Local Road Certification report to the Chair to sign and the clerk to mail out.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: T. Mantor, Fire Dept. # 2 reported on one med call, otherwise activity was quiet. He received notice that he will be receiving a DNR grant to cover 50% of the cost of a pump, hose, and a foam system for the brush truck. W. Felch, Fire Dept. #1 reported on several med calls. He also was approved for a DNR grant for a pump and foam equipment. He will be attending two association meetings this month. He has two new people starting First Responder training. He presented initial quotes from three companies for a new pumper/rescue unit ranging from \$310,000 to \$373,000. Felch was asked to negotiate bottom line prices for the next board meeting. The board will consider the purchase when finalizing the 2017 budget.

DISCUSS INTERVIEWING/HIRING FOR THE CEMETERY MAINTENANCE AND GRAVE OPENING/CLOSING POSITIONS: The board requested copies of all applications for review for their next board meeting.

PFACDC PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL REPORT AND REQUEST FOR A 2017 CONTRIBUTION: F. Kempf presented the board with copies of the PFACDC's 2016 Annual Report. A request was made to continue the town's annual contribution of \$1,250.00. Kempf asked that a representative from the Town of Fifield be appointed to replace Supervisor Jim Hintz who is stepping down as an Ad Hoc member...

DISCUSS REQUEST TO PROMOTE THE TOWN OF FIFIELD IN THE 2017 PRICE COUNTY-PARK FALLS-PHILLIPS VISITOR'S GUIDE: Motion (Hintz, Wierzba) to purchase a quarter page advertisement in the 2017 Price County – Park Falls – Phillips Visitor's Guide to promote the town's major events, attractions, silent sports and motorized trails. Motion approved, voice vote.

2017 BUDGET REVIEW: Expenses were reviewed. The budget will include increasing the levy limit by \$70,000, an allowable increase to the levy limit as the \$70,000 is debt service for general obligation debt. Final review of the 2017 budget will be done at the next regular board meeting

DRIVEWAY ACCESS PERMITS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CORRESPONDENCE: Chair Noetzel reported on a conversation with J. Nelson who would like the Fire Department By-law changes put on the board's next agenda for consideration again. Correspondence included the WTA's monthly newsletter, a thank you from the Wenzel's for the maintenance work done on Fork Road, the agreement from Park Manor for use of the Town Hall in case of evacuation that the Chair signed, 2016 Bridge Inspections report done through the Price County Highway Department, notification from RW Communication Services LLC of CenturyLink Telephone Company's intent to place fiber optic cable within the township, Governor S. Walker's letter acknowledging receipt of the town's Resolution No. 2016-02 urging adequate funding of the transportation system, and UW-Extension's notice of upcoming teleconferences on local government issues.

REVIEW INVOICES: Motion (Hintz, Wierzba) to accept invoices for payment. Motion approved, voice vote.

Adjourn: Motion at 8:30 p.m. (Wierzba, Hintz) to adjourn. Motion approved, voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally L. Putnam, Clerk