

TOWN OF FIFIELD REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MINUTES OF April 5, 2018

ROLL CALL: Meeting was brought to order on April 5, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Fifield Town Hall. Present: K. Balzar, J. Hintz and J. Wierzba. Also present S. Putnam, J. Jontry and 5 others.

MINUTES: Motion (Hintz, Wierzba) to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2018 regular board meeting. Motion approved, voice vote (3, 0).

TOWN CREW REPORT: T. Fleming reported that he attended the annual Diggers Hotline safety meeting. Road crew schedule changes next week to four 10-hour days. A recent problem with toilets in the Town Hall building has been fixed. Three entry doors in the shop need to be replaced. They are steel with no insulation, causing ice buildup and damaged keypads. This would come out of the shop expense account.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: B. Felch reported that the foam system on his fire truck has been repaired and is operational; weather stripping on doors still needs replacement and has been ordered. Two of four new helmets arrived. Snowstorm and icing during the Easter egg hunt created a situation where a town fire truck slid into a pickup truck. Estimate for damages to the pickup truck has been given to S. Putnam. No insurance claim will be filed. T. Birchell reported on three EMS calls. He is looking for a chassis for a heavy-duty rescue vehicle. Pike Lake Firefighters Inc. will pay half, so our share would be about \$150K. This would need to be budgeted for the end of the year. Sixteen air pack bottles are ten years old and need replacement, about \$800 each. The new portable pump was placed into service and tested on April 4, 2018.

DISCUSS ADDITION TO WISCONSIN STATUTES OF WIS. STATS. 349.16(3)(d) REGARDING PROPANE DELIVERY DURING POSTING OF ROADS: S. Putnam drafted a letter to propane carriers for Board to review. Motion (Wierzba, Hintz) to approve drafted letter regarding propane delivery during posted roads, requesting that they contact the Roads Supervisor in advance. Motion approved, voice vote (3, 0).

PRESENTATION OF 2017 AUDIT: The 2017 Audit Report was presented and accepted by the board.

DISCUSS SOLICITING QUOTES FOR TOWN INSURANCE: No action will be taken at this time.

APPOINTMENT OF ADDITIONAL ELECTION WORKERS FOR TERM ENDING DECEMBER 2019: Motion (Hintz, Wierzba) to appoint J. Nelson and S. Putnam as election workers with the term ending Dec. 2019. Motion approved, voice vote (3, 0).

APPOINT TOWN CLERK/TREASURER AND SET SALARY: Motion (Wierzba, Balzar) to appoint J. Jontry as Clerk/Treasurer effective April 18, 2018, with a salary of \$1400/month for a 6-month probationary period, with a review in October 2018. Motion approved, voice vote (3, 0).

DISCUSS HOURLY RATE FOR CONSULTING SERVICES RE: CLERK/TREASURER POSITION: Motion (Wierzba, Hintz) to hire S. Putnam as Consultant at \$25.00/hour, to be paid monthly. Motion approved, voice vote (3, 0). J. Jontry will appoint S. Putnam as Deputy Clerk/Treasurer.

ANNOUNCE DATE AND TIME OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING: The Annual Town Meeting is scheduled for April 17, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

DRIVEWAY ACCESS PERMITS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: F. Sevcik requested that the road crew look at Cy's Drive when road tour is done in May. R. Lapp requested contact information for the new Forest Home Cemetery Administrator.

CORRESPONDENCE: Correspondence included letters from B. Hennes, Forest Service, regarding FR 142/Twin Lakes Road; Price County Highway Department regarding participation in the co-op culvert order; DNR regarding Sanitary District #1 wastewater collection and treatment permit renewal; and an e-mail from D. Gustafson concerning the Northwoods Rail Study.

REVIEW INVOICES: Motion (Hintz, Wierzba) to accept invoices for payment. Motion approved, voice vote (3, 0).

ADJOURN: Motion at 7:32 p.m. (Wierzba, Hintz). Motion approved, voice vote (3, 0).

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer J. Jontry, Deputy Town Clerk