

**TOWN OF FIFIELD REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MINUTES OF October 3, 2019**

ROLL CALL: The meeting was brought to order on October 3, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the Fifield Town Hall. Roll Call: W. Felch, J. Hintz, B. Salm. Also present: T. Fleming, J. Jontry and 11 others. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MINUTES: MOTION (Salm, Hintz) to accept the Minutes of the September 19, 2019 Regular Board Meeting. Motion carried, voice vote (3, 0).

TOWN CREW REPORT: T. Fleming reported ditch work was completed on Dam Road. Cable placement needs to be done prior to seeding and mulching but it is currently too wet. The crew assisted Price County with replacement of the culvert and gravel on Boyer Road; the Town will be billed for use of the Gradall. Movrich park is now closed for the season. B. Felch reported the Squaw Creek project is moving along.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORTS: Fire Department #1: B. Lobermeier reported six EMR calls in September. Four firefighters are attending certification training. The Department escorted the Chequamegon High School homecoming parade. **Fire Department #2:** No report.

PRESENTATION: PFACDC 2019 ANNUAL REPORT AND REQUEST FOR YEARLY CONTRIBUTION: The PFACDC was unable to attend. This item will be on the Agenda for October 17, 2019.

KOUNTRY KAFE REQUEST FOR DISABLED PARKING: W. Felch was contacted by the Kountry Kafe regarding permission to install two handicapped parking spaces, involving painting the pavement and placing two signs on the wall and two roll-away signs. The Town should provide the signs. T. Fleming will check with the City of Park Falls about borrowing stencils. The Board gave permission for this project and T. Fleming will follow up with the Kountry Kafe.

DISCUSS/SIGN FORWARD BANK SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT FOR T. BRAUN/NORTHWOODS SUPPER CLUB: J. Hintz had concerns about the bank being in first position ahead of the Town on the loan and about the fact that we just wrote off personal property taxes at the last meeting. W. Felch explained his position on not wanting to lose the supper club's business. J. Jontry provided detail on what has transpired over the past month including organizing automatic payments for monthly CDBG payments from T. Braun. The Board approved the Subordination Agreement and signed the documents.

DISCUSS LRIP AND TRID GRANT INFORMATION: W. Felch attended an informational meeting last week and provided a packet with program flowchart, grant history and general program information. We should apply and if not approved for 2020 we will be ready for the following year. D. Gustafson was in attendance and passed out information from WDOT with MLS guidelines and an application form. The application needs to be in by November 1st for the TriD and December 6th for the MLS. He suggested we apply for both as there is no penalty for doing so. MLS pays 90% and TriD pays 50%. T. Fleming stated the blacktop for Dam Road would be a good candidate for LRIP (the cap is \$75K). The town roads on the west side of Highway 13 would fall under the TriD and MLS programs; the application needs to include sidewalks.

UPDATE ON FR142 / TWIN LAKES ROAD: T. Fleming spoke with the logger and stated he quoted the project at \$4,000. **MOTION (Hintz, Salm) to approve \$4,000 for the logger and \$500 for the Forest Service timber. Motion carried, voice vote (3, 0).**

DISCUSS PRELIMINARY 2020 BUDGET: J. Jontry provided budget worksheets and a year-to-date profit and loss statement. The public budget hearing and town meeting will need to be scheduled for November 7th. L. Wenzel would like to be involved in purchasing the new mower for the cemetery. The Board will review the worksheets and further discussion was tabled for the October 17th meeting.

DRIVEWAY ACCESS PERMITS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: R. Schwai asked if there will be a new five-year road plan in October; W. Felch stated this would be included at the public budget meeting. Mr. Schwai asked how the survey for Cy's Drive would be conducted; J. Hintz said it concerns determining the placement of the road and legal issues with the USFS. The Wisconsin Towns Association advised us to do a survey to accept where the road currently is so that modifications can be made to the plat map and filed with the county surveyor's office.

CORRESPONDENCE: W. Felch received a letter from E. Feit about purchasing the old school property. J. Hintz stated it would have to be put up for bid. J. Jontry received a letter from L. Neek regarding foreclosure of tax liens.

REVIEW INVOICES: MOTION (Hintz, Salm) to accept invoices for payment. Motion carried, voice vote (3, 0).

ADJOURN: MOTION at 8:15 p.m. (Salm, Hintz) to adjourn. Motion carried, voice vote (3, 0).

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer J. Jontry, Town Clerk/Treasurer