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Town of Franklin Board Meetings

Regular Town Board Meeting
July 13, 2016
5:30pm

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Supervisor Art Willman, Councilman Cliff Smalley, Councilman Pete Woodcock, Councilman Don Hamm and Councilman Tom Bartiss

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ed Martin, Doris Hamm, Doe Smalley, Dick Jarvis, Sonia Hazelden, Julie Ulacco-Woodcock, Jacques DeMars-Highway Superintendent and Lauren LeFebvre-Town Clerk

PUBLIC COMMENT

Julie Ulacco-Woodcock reported the Verizon landline service was out for five days in June on County Route 60 in Onchiota. As there is no cell service, this situation cannot continue to occur because, in an emergency situation this lack of outside communication is disastrous. Julie requested the Town of Franklin Town Board get involved in the matter and urge Verizon to upgrade landlines and/or increase cell service to all areas in the Town. Supervisor Willman will work with Julie and contact the Public Service Commission, Senator Little and Verizon to bring about the necessary upgrades.

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF JUNE 7,8,29 MINUTES

Councilman Woodcock reported that he and his wife did attend the June 29 meeting. The Town Clerk will reflect the omission in the final, approved minutes. (Smalley-Woodcock m/s/p) All Aye

APPROVAL OF CLAIMSThe board audited and approved payment of the following claims:

General Fund	Abstract 7	Claims 138-157	\$4,999.46
Highway Fund	Abstract 7	Claims 94-109	\$11,405.06
Pre-Pay General	Abstract 7	Claims 28-31	\$1,361.39
Pre-Pay Highway	Abstract 1	Claim 1	\$69,555.56

(Smalley-Woodcock m/s/p) All Aye

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Balances on hand as of June 30, 2016:

GENERAL FUND	Checking	\$89,523.77
	Savings	\$148,869.83
	Historian	\$3,038.56
	Kate MT. SRF	\$22,165.46
	Cemetery RF	\$2,201.49
HIGHWAY FUND	CLASS	\$87,523.36
	Checking	\$145,179.36
	Savings	\$414,522.49
	Cap. Proj. Hwy.	\$46,630.93
	CLASS	\$539,591.48
LANDFILL CLOSURE CAP RES	Checking	\$4,112.16/td>
	CLASS	\$24,118.73
FIRE PROTECTION	Checking	\$19,808.12
	CLASS	\$686.18
CAP. PROJ. BLDG	CLASS	\$25,495.50

(Smalley-Bartiss m/s/p) All Aye

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent DeMars reported the following:

1. New tractor was dropped off on June 13th.
2. Cut shoulders on section of Cold Brook Road.
3. Cut shoulders on section of Keith Road.
4. Continued prep work on Oregon Plains Rd., cut shoulders and culvert replacements.
5. Cut shoulders on Muzzy Road.
6. Knocked over some of the piles at Rec. Park.
7. Raked McManus Road.
8. Had men out several times for trees that fell down due to heavy winds.
9. New employee started to fill vacant slot from when Mike Wright retired. 1 man still out due to injury.
10. Transported wood chips to Rec. Park as per requested by Supervisor Willman.
11. Transported sand to Rec. Park as per requested by Supervisor Willman.
12. Transported sand to Town Hall as per requested by Supervisor Willman.
13. Had men cut and chip some intersections around town.
14. Hot patched a couple spots on Bass Lake Road.
15. Gas, fuel and maintenance logs given to Highway Committee.

OTHER HIGHWAY BUSINESS

A. RESOLUTION #28 284 Agreement for the Expenditure of Highway Moneys

On a motion by Councilman Smalley, second by Councilman Woodcock, **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town of Franklin Town Board does hereby approve the expenditure of up to \$245,000 for capital improvements of approximately 3.1 miles of the Oregon Plains Road.

B. RESOLUTION #29 Paving Contractor

On a motion by Councilman Woodcock, second by Councilman Smalley, **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town of Franklin town Board does hereby approve engaging Noel J. Brunell and Sons to do the paving work on up to 3.1 miles of Oregon Plains Road in the amount of \$13,900 as Noel J. Brunell and Sons has the Franklin County contract for paving.

HIGHWAY QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

A. Dick Jarvis inquired as to whether there are plans to fill in potholes on Fletcher Farm Road. Superintendent DeMars stated potholes have been filled in however, if some have not, Mr. Jarvis is encouraged to call him and provide locations of those in need of filling in.

B. Paint Garage Councilman Hamm stated the Highway Garage needs painting. He will provide specifications to the Town Clerk to solicit sealed bids.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

June 2016-Building Permits, 6-Violations, 1-Certificates of Occupancy, 2-Inspections, 12-Fees Collected \$945.25
Notice has been served by the Code Officer on several properties in the Town that are in deteriorating/dangerous

condition. The board was presented with a revised Building Permit Application. Paul Blaine-CEO, explained the revision reflects a more simplified application. The board approved this revision. (C.Smalley-T.Bartiss m/s/p) all aye

NEW BUSINESS

A. Kitchen Use Request- Sonia Hazelden has requested use the kitchen at the Town Hall for four hours in August and four hours in September to make Michigan Sauce. The board had no objection. Sonia will schedule this with the Town Clerk.

B. Water at Kate Mt. Park- Paul Ward replaced the pressure switch on the water pump at the park. The board thanked Paul for taking time off from his job to do the work for the Town. Supervisor Willman has requested Paul submit a bill so the Town can pay him for his work.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Bigelow Rd/Debar Trails

Councilman Smalley reported some debris has been removed from Bigelow Rd. Supervisor Willman stated that, at last report, DEC was engaging Moriah Shock camp to assist with the clean-up. Supervisor will also reported that, in the legal documents included in the Town's Deed/Park Purchase file from 1986, a letter was found that states DEC would be working with the Town to include Kate Mountain Park trails in the Debar Unit Management Plan. Supervisor Willman contacted DEC to remind them of the 30 year old plan and requested this project be given the priority promised 30 years ago.

B. CDBG/HUD

All projects have been completed. The Town is awaiting the Final Report for signatures and submission.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Cemetery

Cliff reported the cemeteries looked well manicured. Supervisor Willman added the Glenn Swinyer, Cemetery Custodian, has had to schedule mowing around the Youth Program as well as burials but has been keeping up nicely. The Town Clerk will pass the good report on to Mr. Swinyer.

B. Veteran's

Ed Martin reported there will be a Veteran's Service at 11am on Founder's Day July 30. Veteran's are encouraged to attend.

C. Celebration

Pendragon has agreed to lend the Town platforms to use on Founder's Day as a stage for the band. A "3 on 3" Basketball Tournament has been added to the day's events.

D. Recreation

There will be no Kickball Tournament at Founder's Day.

E. Building

Supervisor Willman has provided Andrew Charry, Architect, with the Building Committee's input. There will most likely not be a drawing or model of a proposed community center available to show at Founder's Day.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the board, Supervisor Willman adjourned the meeting at 7:03pm.

Respectfully submitted, Lauren LeFebvre, Town Clerk

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