

Town of Brooklyn, Green County – April 08, 2019 Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes (Not Yet Approved by the Town Board)

The Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order at 8:00PM on Monday, April 08, 2019 at the Town Hall. In attendance were Chairman Garth Langhammer, Supervisors Jeff McNeely and Rex Tilley, Treasurer Russell Cichy and Clerk Jeannie Welsh.

The clerk advised that the required meeting notice posting was completed.

The Pledge of Allegiance was shared.

Public Comment

- Nothing at this time.

Election Results

- Langhammer introduced the newly elected board and read the results of the April 02, 2019 election. Chairman – Garth Langhammer with 281 votes. Supervisor #1 – Jeffrey McNeely with 298 votes, Supervisor #2 – Abbigail Kriebs with 266 votes, Treasurer – Russell Cichy with 219 votes, Clerk – Russell Cichy with 276 votes. Cichy explained his decision to run for both offices and upon much consideration has decided to accept the Treasurer's position. This leaves the Clerk position to be appointed by the Town Board. All members have taken their Oath of Office at this time.

Minutes

- Motion by McNeely to approve Minutes of 03/11/2019 Regular meeting. Second by Tilley; motion carried.

Treasurer's report

- Treasurer Cichy reported beginning checking account balance of \$179,563.64 receipts \$4,255.25; disbursements \$40,066.76; ending checking account balance of \$143,752.13. Money Market account balance as of the end of March \$327,436.71. Interest earned for March in the amount of \$822.00.
- Cichy read a letter from UB&T Bank which has been purchased from State Bank of Cross Plains. The letter states that with the current terms, there will basically be no change.

Clerk's financial report

- Welsh reported both Checking and Money Market bank statements for March 2019 are reconciled and agree with financial reports for that period. Clerk and Treasurer reports agree with March 2019 reconciled accounts. Motion by Tilley to accept both the Treasurer's financial report and the Clerk's financial report of reconciliation of revenue and expenses as presented, seconded by McNeely; motion carried.
- Reviewed budget to actual. Discussion of budgeted salt usage were discussed later as a separate agenda item under the 2019-2020 Salt Contract.

Authorization to pay bills

- McNeely made a motion to accept bills to be paid in the amount of \$52,457.37. Second by Tilley; motion carried.

2019 – 2020 Salt Contract

- Cichy circulated at worksheet of the 2018 usage to date as well as previous year's totals. Current inventory was also discussed to determine what will be needed for early fill and seasonal contract (plus reserve) for 2019-2020.
- Motion by McNeely to sign the Municipal Agreement to purchase Sodium Chloride on the Wisconsin DOT bid as and early fill of 100 tons, seasonal fill of 350 tons, equaling a total of 450 tons, plus a reserve of 90 tons. Second by Tilley; motion carried.

Fire/EMS District –

- Written reports were submitted by various Fire & EMS Services and reviewed independently.
- John Marx reported for Brooklyn Fire and EMS. The new Secretary/Treasurer has started her position. The district has been working with the State on the disposal of old records. The district has also been talking about the design of the new ladder/engine truck that is scheduled to be purchased in 2020 or 2021. Cichy asked about the timeline for financing purposes, as this will need to be addressed in the 2020 budget preparations.

Recycle Committee

- Cichy reported that the John Deere Backhoe is still in need of repair. Langhammer shared that Brian Smith has stated that he will be working on getting it back together in the coming weeks.
- Cichy read a letter from Pellitteri regarding a recycle surcharge effective May 1st. Some discussion regarding how to recoup funds to cover the increase. It was suggested this subject be revisited closer to budget time to see if the surcharge is still in effect or has been removed.

Highway Committee

- The Road Tour was April 3, 2019. Two groups went out on tour and reconvened at the town hall to discuss their findings. It was determined that at least two (2) roads will need reconstruction. In the meantime, Brian will inspect the roads which may require paver patching, and seal coating. The town board will wait to get Brian's report and see what estimates come back from the County on the work needed.
- McNeely mentioned he spoke with Brian about the possibility of having the county cap Yarwood with recycled asphalt. Brian is looking into that possibility and will get back to the board with that information.

Right of Way Policy

- Abby Kriebs distributed a rough draft of the Right of Way Ordinance to be considered by the board; asking for input from the board on specific points of the Ordinance.
- Abby was given changes to revise the rough draft and submit to the board at the next town board meeting.

Driveways, Field Roads

- Nothing to report at this time.

Planning Committee

- Planning Committee recommended the board approve redrawing of the lot lines of a previous split of Lot 1 for Duane and Chris Byrnes on King Rd.
- Motion by McNeely to approve the redrawing of lot lines on Lot 1, of 7.579 acres on King Rd. for Duane and Chris Byrne. This is a redrawing of previous lot lines with no change in the number of remaining splits or divisions. Second by Tilley; motion carried.

Annual Meeting

- A reminder the Annual Electors Meeting will be next Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 7:30p.m.
- Langhammer asked if there were any specific items the board members would like mentioned. McNeely suggested the Right of Way Ordinance that is currently being developed. Cichy mentioned the advantages realized by the town because of the way the budget was revised to accomplish the reconstruction of 2.51 miles of Brooklyn-Albany Rd. in one year instead of doing it in two (2) separate projects over two years.

Appointment of Deputy Treasurer

- Brooklyn Town Board acknowledges the Treasurer's appointment of Nilmi Bartels as Deputy Treasurer. Such term to commence April 16, 2019, and run concurrently with the elected Treasurer's term of office. Board will ensure Deputy Treasurer's name is added as an authorized signer on Town's bank account as well as added to the applicable insurance bonding.

Appointment of Clerk

- Langhammer reminded the board the current Clerk's appointment to the elected position expires on 04/15/19. To avoid the town being without a clerk, Langhammer moved to appoint Jeannie Welsh as Clerk, effective 04/16/19. Once appointed the Clerk position operates as if elected. Second by McNeely; motion carried.

Chairman Report

- John Marx reported Frontier will be installing fiber optics in the 455 Exchange area due to a Federal grant. John was informed this work will be done in 2019.
- Langhammer informed the board the environmental engineer at Bug Tussel has done soil testing and the application for the county conditional use permit has been submitted. The environmental engineer has also been in contact with the town building inspector.
- Cichy discussed some of the different scenarios, should the governor's new Biennium Budget get passed. These are things that need to be considered and discussed prior to the town budget meetings so it can be presented to the electors at the Special Meeting of the Electors in the Fall.

WTA Workshop

- Motion by McNeely to approve expenses for any board members as of 04/16/19 to attend the Town Officials workshop in May. Second by Tilley; motion carried.

Informational Items

- Cichy informed the board Kathy Pennington, a retired Army Veteran, will be the Liberty Hill Pole Park flag curator. A new flag was also hoisted up at the park on 04/08/19.

Adjournment

- Motion by Tilley to adjourn, second by McNeely; motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Jeannie Welsh, Clerk