TOWN OF DRUMMOND



Bayfield County Drummond, Wisconsin 54832

Notice of the meeting and agenda was posted at the Post Office and website on January 6, 2021.

MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING: February 9, 2021.

CALL TO ORDER: 6:35 p.m. in the Civic Center by Roy Bloom, Chair.

ATTENDANCE: Roy Bloom, Chair; Chris Elkins, Supervisor; Dick Fredericks, Supervisor (via conference call); Diane Gehr, Treasurer; Andy Tuttle, Clerk; Mark Jerome, Public Works Director; Six member of the public.

MINUTES: Motion by Elkins, second by Bloom to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2021 town board meeting. CARRIED.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Gehr reported the following balances are in town accounts: Checking \$238,852.77, Savings \$354.33, Tax savings \$1,299,333.04, and LGIP \$124,856.80.

AIRPORT REPORT: Fredericks reported there will be an airport commission meeting on Feb. 10th. The commission will be asking the BOA to allow expansion for more hangar sites.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

LOADER QUOTES: Four quotes were submitted for the purchase of a new loader. Mark Jerome recommended accepting the Fabick/Caterpillar quote. He felt the machine most fit their needs, was priced within the budgeted amount, and after purchase service with Fabick had been exceptional in the past. Motion by Elkins, second by Fredericks to purchase a loader from Fabick/Caterpillar with grapple bucket addition for \$201,000.00. CARRIED. The new machine will be delivered in 3-4 months. The board will also look at extended warranty options for 2022.

LIBRARY TRUSTEE: Dick Fredericks formally resigned as a library trustee. The Trustees have nominated Mary Behrends to fill the remainder of Fredericks term. Motion by Elkins, second Fredericks to appoint Mary Behrends as a Library Trustee for the remainder of Dick Fredericks term ending December, 2021. CARRIED.

SAWMILL LANE SNOWMOBILE TRAIL: The clerk received correspondence from Matt Koshollek, DNR game warden regarding resident complaints of excessive snowmobile speeds on Sawmill Lane. Koshollek said Bruce Beckwith had complained about snowmobiles running down the trail which serves as a private road, at excessive speed. There is no current speed limit on this trail, so there is nothing the game warden nor the sheriff can do to issue citations. The board agreed to have large speed limit signs and attention flags placed on the trail at the entrance to the "village". They will also look into options for setting a speed limit ordinance.

- RESOLUTION TO BORROW MONEY: The Town of Drummond agreed to take out a loan on behalf of the Great Divide Ambulance Service for \$150,000.00 to be used for upgrades and remodeling of the new building. The loan will be for 5 years with the Ambulance making the yearly payment through the Town. Motion by Elkins, second by Fredericks to approve Resolution 20210209 To Approve Bank Loan. CARRIED.
- SMOKE DETECTOR SYSTEM: It was recently discovered that the library and civic center do not have a smoke alarm system. Mark Jerome said a system could be installed with temperature, carbon monoxide, and smoke detectors for around \$3000. A similar system for the civic center would be less, since it is a smaller building. Motion by Elkins, second by Fredericks to have a system installed in the library using money from the Library Savings Fund, and in the civic center using funds from the Miscellaneous Building Expenditures line already budgeted for 2021. CARRIED.
- EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK: Tuttle presented several changes and discussion topics regarding the employee handbook. These included addressing full & part-time employment, holidays, and leave. No action taken.
- BILLS: Motion by Elkins, second by Bloom to approve checks #43286 through #43331 including debits and e-pays for payment of bills. CARRIED.
- NEXT MEETING DATE: The next regular Town Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 9, 2021 in the Civic Center at 6:30 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.