

TOWN OF DRUMMOND

Bayfield County
Drummond, Wisconsin 54832



Notice of the meeting and agenda was posted at the Post Office and website on October 17, 2016.

MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING: October 19, 2016.

CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 p.m. in the Civic Center by Roy Bloom, Chair.

ATTENDANCE: Roy Bloom, Chair; R. W. Fredericks, Jr., Chris Elkins, Supervisors; Diane Gehr, treasurer; Andy Tuttle, clerk; 2 members of the public were present.

MINUTES: Motion by Elkins, second by Fredericks to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2016 town board meeting. **CARRIED.**

TREASURER'S REPORT: Gehr reported the following balances are in town accounts: Checking \$98,891.57, savings \$27,876.61, Tax savings \$228,671.87, and LGIP \$174,879.92.

AMBULANCE REPORT: The Towns of White River & Marengo have contracted for services.

PARK REPORT: Dick Fredericks met with DNR regarding dredging permit. The Park & Rec Committee is working through their budget. The posts along the parking area were replaced.

AIRPORT REPORT: The commission has submitted the application for grant funding.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

FIREHALL SITE PREP: The engineering firm grossly underestimated the amount of fill material necessary for the new firehall. The contractor would charge \$4.00 per yard to haul and spread resulting in an additional \$2840.00. Motion by Fredericks, second by Elkins to approve the additional \$2840.00 to be taken from the highway building fund.

LIBRARIAN CONTRACTING: The Drummond School District is interested in contracting with the Town for a librarian. It would most likely be to complete project work in the school library for about 40 hours. The School Board is consulting their attorney.

COUNTY LIBRARY LEVY RESOLUTION: This is a yearly resolution that exempts the Town from the county library levy provided the minimum levy amount is included in the Town's budget/levy. Motion by Elkins, second by Fredericks to approve the County Library Levy Exemption Resolution.

CARRIED.

SNOWMOBILE TRAIL REPAIR: Federal and State money has been secured for repair of the damaged trail north of Drummond. The County Forestry & Rec. Dept. will be handling the money and project. Bids have been let out and a bidders meeting has been scheduled. Mark Jerome was concerned about impacts to the town roads due to the large amount of hauling that would be required. He will contact the Forest Administrator to discuss his concerns.

BUDGET DISCUSSIONS: The board discussed the estimates for several large projects that they would like to include in the 2017 budget:

Firehall – Approx. \$350,000. The board will start looking into financing options.

Civic Center Furnaces - \$6400 to replace both furnaces with an additional \$1400 to move one of the old furnaces to the Hemlock garage.

Beach & Boat Ramp Cleanup – Approx. \$20,000 to remove the brush from a 450 ft wide area in front of the beach and boat ramp.

Sanitary District Employee Share – Consider the possibility of hiring Mike Pliss full time and splitting his time with the Sanitary District.

BILLS: Motion by Elkins, second by Fredericks to approve checks #40090 through #40179 including e-pays for payment of bills. **CARRIED.**

EMPLOYEE EVALUATIONS: The board chose to discuss evaluations in open session. Mark Jerome shared copies of the evaluation he completed for the town road crew. The board asked that Brian Schaffer's evaluation be re-visited in 90 days.

NEXT MEETING DATE: The next town board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 9, 2016 at 6:30 pm in the Civic Center.

A budget work meeting is tentatively scheduled for November 3, 2016 at 6:30 in the Library.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.