

Town of Eileen

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Supervisor – Tony Johanik (715) 746-2507

Treasurer – Carol Pufall (715) 682-9168

Clerk – Jena Barsch (715) 746-2104

February 10, 2015

Meeting Minutes

7:00 pm @ Town of Eileen Garage

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Terry Torkko, Chairperson. Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Board Members Present:

Terry Torkko, Chairperson

George Setzke, Supervisor

Tony Johanik, Supervisor

Carol Pufall, Treasurer

Jena Barsch, Clerk

37 Attendees

Opened floor for public comment; there were residents who wished to address the town board under section 9. Terry suggested to the board an allowance of 30 minutes for public comment, limited to three minutes each. Town residents and those who pay taxes in the town would go first. If time is left, non-town residents will be given an opportunity to speak to the board. The town board agreed.

Review of minutes from the January 13, 2015 board meeting. Motion to accept minutes as read by Tony Johanik, seconded by George Setzke. Motion passed.

Carol Pufall, Treasurer, gave report of balances and future deposits. Motion to approve treasurer's report by George Setzke, seconded by Tony Johanik. Motion passed.

Terry Torkko, Chairperson, shared he has attended many meetings this past month mostly related to the CAFO farm and fire/ambulance.

Jena Barsch, Clerk, shared the W2 filings are completed and Terry reminded to have clerk send an invoice to the City of Ashland regarding the Ashland/Bayfield County Line Road tax agreement.

Randy Herrin, Road Superintendent, reported the roads are looking good as there has not been a lot of snow. He is currently working on brushing and chipping roadways. He has found two culverts that are frozen and will contact Bayfield County in the spring to thaw. The L9000 is down for repairs/replacement of the fuel tank.

Equipment: Supervisor Tony Johanik, shared the L9000 is in need of a new fuel tank; he has one ordered. Other repairs will also be completed to the L9000 while it is down. He is hoping to have the truck up and running in the next week or so.

Town Grounds: Supervisor George Setzke, shared the overhead heater had not been working. He met with Bob's Heating and Cooling and they installed the new sensors. It was suggested to keep spare sensors/parts for the heating elements in stock at the garage. George will get costs and suggested parts for the next meeting.

Old Business:

- **Fire/Ambulance-** Terry gave an update of past and current information regarding fire/ambulance.

New Business:

- **Comp Team Report** – Skip Radosevich shared of his visit to Reicks View Farm and relayed that the Comprehensive Planning Team, at this time, doesn't feel they have sufficient information and passed a motion for recommending the Town should support a moratorium on the CAFO farm to the town board concerning the Reicks View Farm/CAFO Farm. Terry summarized the questions from the Comprehensive Planning Teams minutes and provided new facts and information from a recent permit that is being submitted to the DNR by Reicks View Farm. Board discussed issues. George Setzke and Tony Johanik shared they are in favor of a one year moratorium on the CAFO farm. Terry suggested revisiting the issues once the County Board makes a decision. Board agreed to revisit the moratorium at the March Board Meeting.
- **CAFO Farm & Town Roads-** Tony summarized the large load traffic that travels on Curry and Franzel Roads. Most large load traffic is traveling to Grubisic Farms and Marincel Farms. Discussion of weights of loads and frequency. Information given that both farms will no longer be operating come spring. Board agreed that action may need to be taken at a future time concerning the upkeep on the gravel roads.
- **WTA Meeting** – Tony Johanik, George Setzke, and Terry Torkko will attend the meeting at Lakewoods on March 6, 2015. Clerk will complete registration.
- **LED Sign** – Board reviewed the application from Ashland Lake Superior Lodge concerning an LED sign permit. Motion to approve the application, with Comprehensive Planning Team suggestions, by Tony Johanik, seconded by George Setzke. Motion passed. Clerk will mail signed form to Bayfield County.
- **Agenda Items** – The March agenda will include items on the 5-year road plan and an April agenda item will include a presentation from Big Top concerning Room Tax funds.
- **Audit** – Board agreed to schedule an audit for Wednesday, February 25, 2015 at 6:30 pm.

Public input – Residents Jim Zorn, Ken Raspotnik, Cindy & Bill Heart, Bill Marincel, Jim Nemeec, Kim Pearce, and Sherry Anderson shared either their concerns or favors of the CAFO farm. Two non-residents, Frank Koehn and Gillis Schwartz also shared.

Motion to approve and pay bills (vouchers 8789-8827) by Tony Johanik, seconded by George Setzke. Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn meeting by George Setzke, seconded by Tony Johanik. Motion passed.

Minutes prepared by Jena Barsch, Clerk