

Town of Eileen

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Chairperson – Terry Torkko (715) 682-0682

Supervisor – George Setzke (715) 682-5767

Supervisor – Tony Johanik (715) 746-2507

Treasurer – Carol Pufall (715) 682-9168

Clerk – Jena Barsch (715) 746-2104

June 10, 2014

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

Jena Barsch, Clerk

Opened floor for public comment; there were no residents who wished to address the town board under section 9.

Review of minutes from May 13, 2014 public hearing, open session and closed session meetings. Motion to accept minutes as read by Tony Johanik, seconded by George Setzke. Motion passed.

Carol Pufall, Treasurer, was not in attendance. She was with her mother who was in the hospital in Michigan. Carol had, however, provided copies of the treasurer's report for the board and residents. After review, motion to approve the treasurer's report by George Setzke, seconded by Tony Johanik. Motion passed.

Terry Torkko, Chairperson, shared he has had a busy month with attending 12 different meetings. There is a lot going on behind the scenes.

Jena Barsch, Clerk, had Operator's License for approval for the board from Janelle Ranta and Brian Mrnak. Motion to approve the Operator's License by Terry Torkko, seconded by George Setzke. Motion passed. She also shared of the Open Book and Board of Review the previous night. There was one gentleman who came in for Open Book and no residents for Board of Review.

Randy Herrin, Road Superintendent, reported that he and Tony used two pallets of tar sealing for filling cracks in the paved roads. Randy has also been grading and the gravel hauling will start on June 16, 2014. The culverts are in stock and ready to be delivered to sites. Construction for the culverts will begin as soon as the backhoe is repaired. Grass cutting will begin the week of June 23, 2014.

The town received a check in the amount of \$3508.00 from Excel for damages on Terwilliger Road, Whipperfurth Road, and north Torkko Road. An additional check for \$3375.60 was received by the Town of Pilsen for damage to Range Road. The Town of Pilsen will repair the damage on this shared road. Randy also settled for the cost of three loads of gravel for damages incurred by Enbridge on Mesik Road.

Equipment: Supervisor Tony Johanik, shared a concern is the backhoe is in need of major repairs. A new axle assembly has been ordered and welding repairs are required to fix the bucket and repairs are also needed for the brakes. The new plow truck was serviced under warranty for the engine and powertrain. There is an issue with the plow attachment being bent, this can take up to three weeks to fix. The grader is still leaking on the steering assembly, but Tony will attend to before the gravel hauling/grading begins next week. The lawnmower also needs a new pulley belt

Town Grounds: Supervisor George Setzke, shared he spoke with Darren Zifko and the board discussed of Midland vs. Zifko Gas regarding a propane contract. George will contact Midland and Zifko Gas and ask them to each give a presentation at the July meeting.

John Larson and Ryan Larson were contacted by George for a bid for the door project. Both bids will be presented at the July meeting.

Discussion of the installation of the sign and the possible need to get a sign permit from the County.

Old Business:

- **Fire/Ambulance-** The requested information was received from the City of Ashland. It contained some of the information Craig and the Towns were looking for, but not all. On Friday the five towns and Craig will meet to go thru the statistics.
- **Zoning** - A special board meeting was called on June 5, 2014 with a presentation and a question and answer period with Bayfield County Zoning. Some local business owners were in attendance and the meeting went well.
- **Comprehensive Planning Team** - A meeting was set for the Comp Team to meet on June 24, 2014 at 6:30 pm at the town garage.
- **Snowplowing** - Plowing snow for residents within the town by the town is a controversial topic. This past year expenses far outweighed the income. Discussion of options for balancing the cost and expenses for the future years. The board will formulate ideas and bring to the next board meeting for discussion.
- **Clerk** - Terry shared again of the idea of an appointed clerk position. Board discussed information and agreed to revisit the idea in the future months.

New Business:

- **Bids** - Bids for blacktop/wedging/chip sealing were received and opened.
 - Northwoods Paving Co.
 - Colby Road Project (Trip funds)
 - NWP to sweep roadway- apply SS1hH tack coat and pave a 1" wedge/leveling course - NWP to pave a 2" compacted hot mix asphalt mat over entire roadway - \$128,597.76
 - Woodland Road
 - NWP to sweep roadway - apply SS1hH tack coat and pave a 1" wedge/leveling course - \$16,787.70
 - Fahrner asphalt sealers to apply a chip seal on West Woodland for 1,794 feet and Highland Road for 3,486 feet - \$21,552.96
 - Scott Construction
 - Woodland Road
 - Clean existing roadway with cold mix patch prior to chip seal surfacing - Liquid asphalt applied up to 24 ft wide - furnish, load,

haul and place cover aggregate – spread, compact and roll -
\$16,289.00

- 1794 ft by 20 ft of 1” average compacted mat plus wedging -
\$29,375.00

Board discussed bids and agreed to hold a special meeting to further discuss and award contracts.

- **Road Loan** –A special meeting will be called to further discuss road bids and loan options.
- **Picnic**- The Annual Town of Eileen Picnic is set for August 17, 2014. John Augustine has agreed to again supply and roast chickens with other menu items to be supplied by a potluck style meal.
- **Budget** – Discussion of line items for equipment maintenance, propane, gravel, and culverts. At this time the board agrees necessary projects still seem doable in the budget.
- **Room Tax** – George questioned if the room tax had been received from a local business. Jena shared a notice had been sent out a few months ago with no reply. Jena agreed to supply Terry with necessary information to contact the business.

Public input – There were no residents who wished to address the board.

Motion to approve and pay bills (vouchers 8480 - 8507) 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