Special Town Board/Budget Meeting of October 24, 2019

Meeting was held at the Town Hall in Sayner. Meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM by Chairman Maines, who noted that this meeting was duly called with notice posted at the Town Hall in Sayner, the Sayner Post Office, and the Star Lake Post Office, and notice given to the Vilas County News-Review, The Lakeland Times, and WERL-WRJO Radio Stations of Eagle River, as well as posted on the town website. Supervisor Schmidt, Supervisor Wiggenhauser and Clerk Brooker were also present.

Resolution for Loan for \$100,000 for Repairs to EMS Building & Fire Department:

Chairman Maines addressed Item 4 on the agenda first, regarding the loan for \$100,000 for repair of town buildings. Details of Loan: Installments of principle and interest in 11 equal payments of \$8739.99 with first payment due on 1/31/2020, with final payment of the unpaid balance and interest due on 10/31/2022. Interest rate is 2.89%. Chairman Maines asked for a motion to approve the Resolution to borrow \$100,000. Supervisor Schmidt made the motion to approve borrowing the \$100.000. Supervisor Wiggenhauser seconded, motion carried. Copy of Resolution from mBank is attached.

Proposals for Writing the Bid Specs for Repairs to the Ambulance Building & Sayner Fire Station:

Supervisor Schmidt said they need to approve the RFP and that he would help Clerk Brooker write it up so it could be put in the newspaper. Supervisor Schmidt made a motion that the Town advertise for RFP's for the bid specs for the Fire Department and Ambulance buildings. Chairman Maines seconded. Supervisor Schmidt aye, Chairman Maines aye, Supervisor Wiggenhauser nay, motion carried 2 to 1.

Adjourn to Closed Session:

At 4:40 pm Chairman Maines made a motion to adjourn to closed session per WI Statute 19.85(1)(c) to consider employee evaluation and compensation. Supervisor Wiggenhauser seconded, motion carried. Will Maines, Aye, Gary Schmidt, Aye, Vernon Wiggenhauser, Aye.

Reconvene to open session to act on matters discussed in closed session, if necessary:

Chairman Maines stated that the Board had voted unanimously to reconvene to an open session. Chairman Maines said in closed session it was decided to give all employees across the board a 2% raise for the upcoming year. This also includes part time employees. Supervisor Schmidt voiced his concern about a plow and bucket which will need replacement and asked the Town Crew to get a price for both the bucket and plow to Clerk Brooker by the following morning so she can add it to the Highway Vehicles budget line. Supervisor Wiggenhauser told Clerk Brooker to watch for the bill for the Freightliner repairs which should arrive before the end of the year.

Discussion on 2020 Budget:

Clerk Brooker stated that the only other open line for 2020 budget is the resurfacing line and said that whatever money is left will be put into resurfacing. The Board increased the snow plow labor to \$4000 and the part-time labor line to \$6,000. Board would like Town Crew to give them a price on a broom and tires for Brusher so they can plan accordingly. Jimmy Mortag brought to up that the Town of Conover has been getting \$20,000 a year from the County for gravel to repair roads that loggers rip up. Chairman Maines said Nick Scholtes said the Town should be calling the county and complaining so that the county will act on either having loggers fix what they tear up or compensate the Town for what they need to fix. Nick Scholtes also said it would be a good idea for the Town to have a 5-year plan on Road Projects. Chairman Maines said he would look into getting compensation from the County Forestry. Town Crew asked if there was room in the budget for breaker rocks for road repair. If there will be any money left it will come from the resurfacing fund. The Board raised the deputy clerk line to \$3,000. Clerk Brooker thinks she will have Budget Summary done by the evening of Monday 10/28/19. Supervisor Schmidt said he will come in at 4:00 pm on Tuesday, 10/29/19 to help Clerk Brooker with any questions that she may have.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm.

A voice recording of this meeting is available in the town office.

These minutes were taken at a Regular Town Board meeting held on the 24th day of October 2019 and were entered in this Record Book by: