**TOWN OF FIFIELD**

**PUBLIC HEARING, SPECIAL & REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**Minutes of November 15th, 2022**

The meeting was brought to order on November 15th, 2022 at 5:00pm at the Fifield Town Hall

**ROLL CALL:**. Present: W. Felch, A.Sloane, J.Hintz Also present S. Mueller, K.Kleinschmidt, T. Fleming and 23 others Verification of public posting and legal ad confirmed; the Pledge of Allegiance was recited

**PUBLIC COMMENT REQUESTS:**  Five residents were heard regarding; Three: Ordinance #99 in regards to additional buoys on Pike Lake Chain and the ability for the DNR to enforce legally, through said ordinance, Two: against the sale of the land and the process.

Items were taken into consideration for the meeting, and a Special Meeting had already been planned to be held by the Board in early 2023 with the DNR and the Pike Lake Chain Lake Association.

**PUBLIC HEARING - 2023 BUDGET** – There were no inquiries or opposition from residents regarding the Proposed 2023 Budget

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ELECTORS TAX LEVY** – Residents approved the following:

Motions made by Preston Scheuerman and Bob Reynolds to accept the 2023 Town Tax Levy of $249,639.00

Motions made by Richard Lapp and Bob Reynolds to accept the 2023 Fire Department #1 Tax Levy of $113,140.00

Motions made by Tom Birchell and Rick Schwai to accept the 2023 Fire Department #2 Tax Levy of $80,710.00

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ELECTORS RESOLUTION 2022-01: Sale of School Property –** A raise of hands vote was taken for the adoption of the resolution to sell the school property, the resolution was passed with a vote of 9-2 in favor of proceeding with the sale.

**A MOTION** called by the Town chair to accept and adopt the 2023 Budget, Resolution and the Levy’s of the Special Meeting, MOTION made by J.Hintz and A.Sloane, motion carried (VV 3-0)

**SPECIAL MEETING:** A meeting was scheduled for 11/30 at 1:00 PM to review any offers received for the School Property though the listing realty company. There will be a consecutive meeting held at 2:00PM with the Board and the Fire Department Policy and Procedures Committee.

**MINUTES OF OCTOBER BOARD MEETINGS:** A **MOTION** was made by A.Sloane and J.Hintz to approve the minutes of the October board meetings; Motion carried, (VV 3-0)

**CLERK/TREASURER:**

Treasurers Financial Report was reviewed and accepted

**2023 Position Appointments**:  **A MOTION** was made by J.Hintz and A.Sloane to accept the appointments of Kelly Kleinschmidt as Clerk/Treasurer, and Susan Mueller as Deputy Clerk/Treasurer effective January 2023

**Discontinue CDBG Program**: A request from the third party administrator was made due to inactivity of the program to discontinue the CDBG program and proceed with returning the funds to the state administration. **A MOTION** was made by A.Sloane and J.Hintz (VV 3-0) to discontinue our CDBG.

A letter and account documentation will be sent, per the guidelines of the program, to the state coordinator.

**CEMETERY REPORT:**  No issues to report.

**TOWN CREW REPORT & CYS DRIVE UPDATE :** Superintendent T.Fleming reported the following:

Cy’s Drive has been finished for the year, there were reported issues with the mailbox post replacements, and residents were encouraged to have anyone with a problem with their mailbox post, to please contact the town directly so the town crew can coordinate a resoltion for the resident.

Sand and salt have been replenished, truck tires and maintenance has been completed, some repairs are on going due to limited part availability.

**TRANSFER SITES REPORT:** T.Fleming had no major issues to report, a meeting with the Road Superintendent, Town Chair and the Republic Representative is scheduled for 11/16 to address hauling and compactor weight issues in regards to billing and charges. Holiday hours were posted.

**FIRE DEPARTMENTS:**

Fire #1 Reported: One mutual aid call, two fire calls, two EMS calls, repairs to equipment have been done with in the original estimate of $6500.00, turnout gear is confirmed on order and will be partially funded from ARPA money. Fire #1 minutes were reviewed.

Fire #2 Reported: Two EMS calls, training continues, and classes scheduled into 2023, Flex Grant was discussed and items have needed to be updated on the application, this is an ongoing process, hall repairs and maintenance have been completed, fire equipment maintenance has been completed and invoiced, gear is still on order. Fire #2 minutes will be forwarded for review at the next meeting.

Storage Shed Agreement: The agreement was approved, and signed for the sharing of the storage shed by the Fire Dept#2 and the Sno Drovers Club.

This is an annual agreement.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**  Board reviewed general correspondence there were no concerns and it was agreed to join the new WTA Advocacy Council Program that provides further town board support (VV 2-1)

**REVIEW INVOICES:** Paid invoices were reviewed and accepted

**ADJOURN:**  A **MOTION** was made to adjourn at 6:40PM by A.Sloane and J.Hintz, motion carried (VV 3-0)

Respectfully submitted 11/22/2022 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Susan Mueller

Town Clerk/Treasurer