**TOWN OF FIFIELD REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**Minutes of December 20th, 2022**

The meeting was brought to order on December 20, 2022 at 6:00pm at the Fifield Town Hall

**ROLL CALL:** William Felch, Ann Sloane, Jim Hintz (not present), also present S. Mueller, K. Kleinschmidt, T. Fleming and 7 others

The pledge of allegiance was recited

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Two residents were heard regarding the Town having and using a credit card for some purchases and filling the interim supervisor position

**MINUTES OF NOVEMBER BOARD MEETINGS:** A **MOTION** was made by A. Sloane and W. Felch to accept the minutes of the board meetings; motion carried.

**TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT OF TOWN SUPERVISOR**: Volunteers were requested and one volunteer asked to be considered for the Interim Town Supervisor position in Jim Hintz’s absence. They will remain in effect until his return or until Spring of 2023 Election.

The resident was John W. Smith and a **MOTION** was made by A. Sloane and W. Felch to appoint John as the Interim Town Supervisor to take effect immediately, motion carried, VV 2-0

**BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE 2023**: The Board approved the meeting schedule for 2023 and it will be posted.

**CEMETERY REPORT:**  The report was reviewed and accepted; one plot was transferred from one person to another.

**CLERK/TREASURER:**

Financial Reports were reviewed and accepted.

Fire #2 requested a budget amendment for $4020.00 to finish out the year.  **MOTION** by A. Sloane and J.Smith to approve.

Fire #2 needed a budget amendment for 2023 for the Flex Grant they received for $150,500.00. **MOTION** by A. Sloane and J. Smith to approve.

Clerk requested approval to pursue more information on the Town Hall Software and earmark some ARPA funds for 2023 if decided to purchase the program. **MOTION** madeto approve by J. Smith and A. Sloane, motions carried. VV 3-0

**FIRE DEPARTMENTS:**

FIRE #1 REPORT: Fire #1 had 1 fire call, 9 EMS calls, Tender was fixed, received the school banner to hang on fire hall, and 2 new applications in for first responders. FFFI will be giving a check for $10,000.00 to Fire #1, to go towards needed equipment or needed reserves.

FIRE #2 REPORT: Fire #2 had 3 EMS calls. Continued training, equipment and building maintenance, and one firefighter completing the course in January and 4 new starting in the future.

**TOWN CREW REPORT:**

Superintendent T.Fleming reported the following: Issues with the 2015 truck, working with the dealer costs of repair could be up to $5500.00 to fix, ongoing testing, Christmas decorations completed,. Superintendent inquired about starting the West of 13 project, T. Fleming and W. Felch will contact Cooper Engineering regarding this.

4/10’s REQUEST: The town crew has requested to change to a work week of 4 – 10 hour shifts, with some flex time. The Board approved the change with a 40 hour week weather permitting. The Town Superintendent will watch the time management. The holiday and personal days will change with the 4/10’s but they will still receive the same amount of PTO (72 hours equaling personal and holidays). **MOTION** to accept 4/10’s with flex and the Holiday & Personal Day Schedule by A. Sloane and J. Smith, motion carried,. VV 3-0

**TRANSFER SITES REPORT:** T.Fleming reported Republic replaced gauges and serviced both sites, noting that Pike Lake will need a new one soon,. J. Brandt has been filling in for D. Brandt, T. Fleming will discuss with Jim if he will continue to cover the winter months, also that Fifield may not want to have the swap going on in the winter at Pike Lake, these items get in the way of plowing, we should consider having this only during summer hours. After Board discussion it was decided by voice vote 3-0 to only have the swap during summer hours. The signs will be updated to state this.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**  Board general correspondence was reviewed and the school property sale is pending acceptance of a counter offer and information will be provided if accepted at the January 17, 2023 meeting.

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

**ADJOURN:**  A **MOTION** was made to adjourn at 7:50PM by A.Sloane and J. Smith, motion carried VV 3-0

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly E. Kleinschmidt

Town of Fifield Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

1/3/2023