TOWN OF FIFIELD REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, October 1, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

<u>CALL TO ORDER:</u> Chairman Felch called the meeting to order on October 1, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. at the Fifield Town Hall. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL: Present: William Felch, John W. Smith, Judy Reas, Ted Fleming, and approximately 12 public attendees.

VERIFICATION OF POSTING: Clerk verified the public postings.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were no public comments.

CLERK/TREASURER UPDATE: The new clerk will begin October 14, 2024.

SURETY BOND FOR CLERK/TREASURER: Motion made by John Smith, seconded by William Felch to obtain a surety bond for the clerk/treasurer, VV 2-0.

<u>WALNUT STREET UPDATE:</u> Discussion regarding the addition of Nichols driveway and the town garage parking lot. The engineering firm has indicated that this is not a covered service and would not be eligible for 50/50 reimbursement. Estimated cost is \$13,000 for Nichols driveway and that is approved by the board. Estimated cost for the parking lot is \$54,000. The board previously had indicated that they would consider this project if it fell under the 50/50 reimbursement. It does not. The board requested estimate to date of the project to see if there are any funds available due to the contingency fee. The board has not received that estimate as of yet. The board will review the potential of the parking lot project at the meeting scheduled for October 7.

FR 143A MAINTENANCE UPDATE: William Felch is still waiting for Warren Johnson to locate the fire agreement.

FR 139 AGREEMENT CLOSED: The project on FR 139 has been completed and the agreement closed.

FIVE YEAR ROAD AGREEMENT WITH US FOREST SERVICE: The project on FR 142 and 137 have not been completed. The Forest Service has advised that they will forward an agreement extension to the town.

ARIP ROUND 2 UPDATE: The proposal has been submitted to the state for the Hicks Landing Road project. The project cost is \$3.3 million, down from initial estimate of \$3.9 million and is anticipated to be funded on a 90/10 split.

CITY OF PARK FALLS COMPREHENSIVE PLAN/LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT: The amendment was reviewed.

PRICE COUNTY ZONING CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS: No objections were presented by the board.

<u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>: Correspondence was received from Attorney Schoenborn re: Hemlock Avenue. This will be on the agenda for the October 15 meeting.

ADJOURN: Motion made by John Smith and seconded by William Felch to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 a.m. Motion carried.

THESE MINUTES ARE A DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED AT THE NEXT SCHEDULED REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Reas, Interim Clerk/Treasurer Kelly Kleinschmidt, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer