

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING JANUARY 20, 2020

Matt Lehto, Chairman; Matt Granger; Supervisor; Ryan Van Ornum, Supervisor; Shelley Jolma, Clerk, Heather Schutte, Treasurer

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Matt Lehto. There were 4 towns people and Patrol Sergeant Janecek present. The minutes of December Monthly Board Meeting were read. A motion was made by Matt G and second by Ryan VO to accept the meeting minutes as read. The Treasurer presented the Treasurer's Report. A total of \$31,066.56 was submitted to pay bills. We had a credit balance of \$114,736.90 in the checking account. A motion was made by Matt L second by Ryan VO to accept the Treasurer's Report.

*Sheriff's Department Report: Patrol Sergeant Jason Janecek was present. Nothing new to report. He asked the Board if there was anything the Board wanted to discuss/talk about with him. Nothing to discuss at this time.

*Fire Department Report: Marengo is back on mutual aid with Ashland. Chief is willing to work with us. Short discussion on who makes the call if Ashland is needed because Great Divide is not getting to the scene fast enough. We will need to discuss and get clarification from Great Divide at a meeting.

*Old Business: Communication between roadmen. Supervisor Ryan VO talked with the County and we should be able to use their towers if we get 2-way handheld radios. He is currently getting prices and will report back to the board at the February Board meeting.

*New Business: Treasurer asked for a motion to transfer money to the checking account for the 1st half of the Great Divide Ambulance Service payment. A motion was made by Matt L and a 2nd by Matt G to do this.

Treasurer asked for a motion to approve the payments of the tax overpayments. A motion was made by Matt L and a 2nd by Ryan VO to do this.

Town Website Discussion- What would the board like to see on the website? Discussion. The Board would like the Overweight permit and the Driveway Permit to be on the website. And the most important things are the agendas and minutes of the meetings. The Board asked Sergeant Janecek if we could put his name on our website as he is our town's liason. Sergeant agreed to have his name and contact info on the website for "non-emergency" communication from Town Residents. The Board asked the Fire Chief if they would like any information on our website about the Marengo Valley Volunteer Fire Department. He will email the clerk with any information, meetings, etc he would like to see on the website.

Public Input: Residents are very happy with the snow-plowing and the sanding of the roads. Question if the town allows snow plowing across town roads. This shouldn't be a problem if they do not leave big bumps and banks. Resident asked how is the recycling going. So far, the town is doing well and there are no issues lately.

Next, there was an Annual Board Audit of the Clerk's and Treasurer's books. The Board found no discrepancies. There was a motion by Matt G and a 2nd by Ryan VO to accept the Clerks and Treasurers Books.

A motion was made by Matt L and second by Ryan VO to adjourn.
The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, February 17th, 2020 at 7:00 PM.

Shelley Jolma, Clerk