Town of Elk Mound Regular Board Meeting Minutes 1-12-2023

The Regular Town Board meeting was called to order by the Town Chairman Tony Christopherson at 6:35 p.m. on Thursday, January 12, 2023.

The Town Board Meeting was posted in compliance with open meeting law at ISB, PO and the website and TEM Hall.

Jeff Klemp made a motion to wave and approve the 3 board meeting minutes. (Regular meeting December 8, 2022, December 22, 2022 Plan meeting and board meeting). Dennis Rhead seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Financial report was presented by the clerk. Jeff Klemp made a motion to approve the financial report. Dennis Rhead seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Brian Deutscher commended Justin Gabriel’s plowing job.

**Old Business:**

Road Work: Dunn County Mailbox policy will be looked at and the TEM may need to adopt a mailbox policy. 1010th St north of M will possibly need an overlay on it.

884th St has not been plowed this year as there was some question as to whether it was a town road. This will need to be plowed going forward.

A meeting will need to be set up with Cedar Corp on the 620th St project. Cory Tietz asked for an electronic copy to take a look at the prints ahead of time. The meeting with Cedar Corp will take place on Wednesday, January 25, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Solid Waste and Recycling: No business

Cemetery: No business

 Fire Dept: The new Fire Chief had different ideas on Engine no 5. Pre emissions truck with 20,000 miles would be a good truck to keep. The pump may need to be rebuilt. The cost of rebuilding the pump would be $50,000 to $70,000 to replace pump vs $500,000 for a new truck.

The rescue truck maybe needs to be changed. The cost to replace the rescue truck and the pump would be a total of $250,000 vs $500,000 to replace the pump and get a different rescue truck.

**New Business;**

Solar report: There is nothing to report at this time. Jeff Klemp will look more into this for the next meeting. A solar ordinance may be needed in the Town of Elk Mound. Deconstruction would be moving everything from below the ground to everything above the ground. Road repair after construction and destruction would be part of the ordinance. The town should have an ordinance so that they can better negotiate with the solar companies. Municipalities cannot regulate over 100 megawatts.

**Other Business:**

A letter was presented to the town board by a concerned citizen concerning the assessments.

Carolyn Loechler can help Anne Wahl on the 19th of January, Tony Christopherson will work on Tuesday, January 17th and Jeff Klemp will be available on Saturday, January 14, 2023 for tax collections.

Financial Audit will be February 9, 2023 at 6 pm. The board meeting will follow the financial audit.

Dennis Rhead made a motion to allow Justin Gabriel to carry over two years of vacation. Jeff Klemp seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dennis Rhead made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jeff Klemp seconded the motion. Motion carried. The monthly meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Loechler, Clerk

Town of Elk Mound, Dunn County, WI

January 14, 2023