

Special Town Board Meeting Minutes June 17, 2021 7 p.m.

The Special Town Board meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Chairman Tony Christopherson.

The Clerk confirmed that the meeting was posted at ISB, PO, TEM and the website.

Tanner Plate: Jeff Klemp made a motion to approve the Tanner Plat. Dennis Rhead seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Broadband. Jim Kusilik from 24-7 was present at the meeting to discuss the contract with the Town of Elk Mound. The contract will provide fiber internet service to the TEM that has not been covered by Bloomer Telephone. 730th Ave was discussed. Tony Christopherson recommended that the board make a motion to withhold some of the ARPA money to finish that area that was left out of the contract.

Travis McFarland from Bloomer Telephone was present at the meeting also. They are still working with their engineers on a contract to present to the TEM. Bloomer Telephone has already covered a large chunk of the north section of the TEM.

Price comparison:

24-7: 88.90 Internet, router, plus telephone

Bloomer Telephone: 79.00 Internet, router, plus telephone

24-7 will build out the areas east and south. Bloomer telephone wants to move into the rest of the TEM and the Village of Elk Mound.

24-7 is a cooperative and members vote however the new areas are non-voting. Bloomer telephone is a private company.

Jeff Klemp made a motion to accept Jim Kusilik's contract from 24-7 to cover Exhibit 1 and 2. Dennis Rhead seconded the motion. Tony Christopherson made a motion to amend the motion to hold some ARPA funds to cover the 730th Ave homes and have Bloomer Telephone cover this north side. The amount to withhold will be \$4316.00. Jeff Klemp seconded the motion for the amendment. The motion and the amendment carried. \$186,465.00 of the ARPA funds will go to 24-7 and their contract. Tony will sign the contract once Jim Kusilik changes it to reflect the motion.

Jeff Klemp made a motion to purchase a new TV for up to \$1000 for the town hall. Dennis Rhead seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Loechler, Clerk

Town of Elk Mound

June 20, 2021

