

January 8, 2024
Town of Tomah
Monthly Board Meeting

Those Present: Al Bartels, Vaughn Kuehl, Brian Hubert, Doug Bauman, John Ollendick, Howard Hanson, Ernie Thackeray, Teresa Hubert, Breanne Zaremba, and Val Holmes.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Hanson.

The clerk's report was read. John Ollendick made a motion to accept the clerk's report. Doug Bauman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The treasurer's report was read. Doug Bauman made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. John Ollendick seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Public Comment

- Ernie Thackeray asked who he could thank for cutting trees on the side of Highland Ave. It is unknown who cut them, the town did not do it.
- The Conditional Use Permit for Jeffrey Banta was approved by the county.
- A meeting will be held next week at the county highway department to select an engineering firm for the Interior Rd bridge project
- Jewell & Associates sent a professional service agreement to Howard Hanson, to design and engineer the Highland Ave Bridge. The total cost would be \$57,500, and this could be sent to the Ho-Chunk nation for reimbursement under their agreed commitment. Jewell then plans to apply to the Bureau of Indian Affairs to get funding for the bridge replacement costs not covered by the Ho-Chunk commitment of \$200,000. If approved, the project could start next year. Howard Hanson made a motion to sign the professional service agreement for engineering on the Highland Ave Bridge. John Ollendick seconded the motion, with the stipulation we bill the costs out monthly to stay on top of the costs. All in favor, motion carried.

Employee Review

- Currently wages and benefits for the patrolmen were discussed. John Ollendick made a motion to increase Mark Cleaver's wages by \$2/hour, and Tom Karacson's wages by \$1.50/hour, and no increase in vacation hours at this time. Doug Bauman seconded the motion.
- Doug Bauman proposed that the Town needs to set up an official procedure for pay and vacation increases.
- Current wages for the garbage attendant were discussed. Doug Bauman made a motion to increase Vaughn Kuehl's wages by \$1/hour. John Ollendick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Monthly bills were reviewed and approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Breanne Zaremba