

TOWN OF MARENGO

Minutes

Tuesday, January 17, 2023

Chairman Stephen Walston called the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Marengo to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was taken present were Chairman Stephen Walston, Supervisor Bruce Joanis, Supervisor Jeff Oliphant, Treasurer Diane Eid, Clerk Kimberly Campy. Also, present were Town residents some attending via Zoom.

Motion by **Oliphant** and second by **Joanis** to approve the agenda as presented. Vote taken and motion carried.

Chairman Walston read regular minutes from Monday, December 12, 2022. Motion by **Walston** and second by **Joanis** to approve regular minutes with changes to date and time. Vote taken and motion carried.

Feeney Road Update - Discussion held on Feeney Road and the status of the \$55,000. Clerk Campy gave an update on the paperwork.

Also discussed starting an equipment fund – needs to be designated as such. Once designated cannot be used for anything else.

Motion by **Walston** and second by **Oliphant** to approve Treasurer's report for main account, ambulance account, and Northern State Bank accounts as presented. Vote taken and motion carried.

Motion by **Oliphant** second by **Joanis** to approve vouchers and pay bills as presented. Vote taken and motion carried.

1. **Public Comments** – no comments
2. **Supervisor's Report** – Fixing equipment and snowplowing. Election machine needs to be brought up by the 24th. Todd will bring up. Supervisor Joanis had nothing to report at this time.
3. **Chairman's Report** - Chairman Walston apologized to everyone and Todd for the outburst at the last meeting. Website is being updated daily. Walston asked Joanis if the ordinances were being updated. Joanis stated he does not have all the ordinances and only has a couple. Oliphant suggested getting an attorney involved in drafting ordinances.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Cemetery** – Jennifer Stevens discussed what she has done and gave a list of graves that don't have markings, paperwork, headstones, etc. Pictures have been attached to the appropriate graves. Motion by Walston, Second by Joanis to update the cemetery ordinance as proposed by the Cemetery Sexton, Jennifer Stevens. Vote taken and motion carried.

Grant – LRIP Grant – November 23rd Deadline Supplement Program. **Surface Transportation Program – Deadline is March 24th**. Grant is for construction only and must be completed by a qualified consultant. Cap is \$250,000. This grant is for roads only. Jennifer will get documentation and send it to Board for review.

Met with ambulance department regarding the Community Development Block Grant. Materials sent out on 1/24/23. Jennifer will also send grant information to the Ambulance Department. Midway Park does not currently qualify for this grant

2. **Snowplowing Driveways/Roads – Emails/Texts** – Discussion held on the possibility of sending texts in advance to town residents. Residents stay in contact about where and when town employees will be plowing or grading. Item was tabled.
3. **Ambulance Update** – Board approved a service award program for the volunteers. State will double what the Town invests in each employee Lance and Curt will set up criteria each volunteer will have to follow to be in the program.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Assessor Contract – Motion by Oliphant, Second by Joanis to approve assessor contract with changes \$200 increase and is now a 3-year contract. Vote taken and motion carried.
2. Employee Handbook – Updates. Send to town board. Make changes and bring to next meeting for changes.
3. Correspondence – Eric, Forest Service, Beaver Dam – Township Road not a driveway.
4. Future Agenda Items: None
5. Next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, February 20, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.**

Motion by Walston Second by Joanis to go into closed session. Vote taken and motion carried
Closed session at 7:12 p.m.

Present during closed session (Board) – subject matter – PP Handbook – verbal warnings to employees.

CLOSED SESSION – *Considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where par. (b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations. Wis. Stat., (19.85(1)(f))*

Motion by Motion by **Joanis** and second by **Oliphant** to come out of closed session 8:30 p.m.
Vote taken and motion carried.

Motion by Motion by **Joanis** and second by **Oliphant** to adjourn. Vote taken and motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.