Township of Bloomington Wednesday, November 6th, 2024 Regular Monthly Board Meeting Minutes Unapproved

The regular Monthly Board Meeting of the Town of Bloomington was called to order on Wednesday, November 6th, 2024 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Bill Erdenberger. Roll call was taken, other members present were Supervisor I Mike Patterson, Supervisor II Joe Kirschbaum, Patrolman Andrew "Buck" Crubel, Clerk Jane Patterson and Treasurer Brenda Kluesner. Motion (Bill Erdenberger) seconded (Joe Kirschbaum) was made to approve the posting of the Nov. 6th meeting and Agenda, motion carried. Motion (Mike Patterson) seconded (Joe Kirschbaum) was made to approve the October 7th, 2024 meeting minutes. There were no public comments.

Roads and Machinery Reports: Patrolman Buck Crubel reported that the roads are in good condition. A new road signpost was installed on Mississippi Lane. A landowner out on Walnut Bluff Road is constructing a driveway and has not contacted the Town about a driveway permit. The grader has been fixed for the V plow, the new Stainless-Steel pan and a part (steering rod bushing) came in for the yellow Town truck. The Board discussed patrolman compensation, motion (Bill Erdenberger) seconded (Joe Kirschbaum) was made to raise the hourly rate to \$24.00 per hour, keep the monthly \$200.00 contribution towards health insurance, raise the monthly cell phone reimbursement to \$100.00 and reimburse the patrolman \$500.00 annually for personal clothing and tool use while on the job, on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried. The Board looked over the estimate from Hermsens Hardware, Inc for a new Sterling hanging heater for the garage. Motion (Mike Patterson) seconded (Joe Kirschbaum) was made to accept the bid and have Hermsens install the new heater.

<u>Grant County Hwy Dept Site:</u> The closing date for the Grant County Hwy Dept building (Bloomington Site) is Friday, November 15th, 2024. The Board discussed maintenance and repairs needed right away on the GCHD building, motion (Bill Erdenberger) seconded (Joe Kirschbaum) was made to insulate the attic and cover the windows with batt insulation for the winter, on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried.

<u>Financial Report</u>: Treasurer Brenda Kluesner presented the October 2024 financial report. Report was approved unanimously by the Board. Clerk Jane Patterson reported the outstanding bills, Board members approved payment of the bills presented. The Board discussed both 2024 and 2025 budgets, both budgets will be finalized and amended/adopted at the Dec. 2nd meeting. The Board agreed to finalize the loan for the grader (at Clare Bank) for the amount of \$47,000.00.

New Business: Items to be on next month's meeting agenda: No new items were presented

Next Meetings: The next monthly Town Board meeting will be on Monday, December 2nd, 2024 at 7:00 pm at the Bloomington Town Hall.

Motion (Bill Erdenberger) seconded (Mike Patterson) was made to adjourn the meeting, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted Jane Patterson-Clerk