

Township of Bloomington
Tuesday, March 12th, 2024
Special Town Board Meeting Minutes

A Special Town Board Meeting of the Town of Bloomington was called to order on Tuesday, March 12th 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. Public member in attendance was the JD sales representative. Motion (Bill Erdenberger) seconded (Mike Patterson) was made to approve the posting of the March 12th meeting and Agenda, motion carried. Motion (Mike Patterson) seconded (Joe Kirschbaum) was made to approve the March 4th, 2024 Regular Board Meeting minutes, motion carried. There were no appearances or public comments.

The meeting began with the board and patrolman discussing the two grader bids. The final bids were: John Deere grader-\$420,707.63 and the Caterpillar grader-\$437,000.00. The expected arrival date of the JD grader would be 10-12 weeks from the date of order. No down payment is needed to place the order. The JD grader will be invoiced for the full amount when delivered with payment due in 30 days.

Motion (Bill Erdenberger) seconded (Joe Kirschbaum) was made not to go into closed session for further discussion, on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried.

Motion (Bill Erdenberger), seconded (Joe Kirschbaum), was made to purchase the John Deere 772GP grader, on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried. Chairman Bill Erdenberger signed the purchase agreement with the John Deere Sales Rep. A copy of this agreement will be sent to the clerk, who will forward it to the board members.

The board decided not to move account funds at this time, they will revisit this matter at a later date and approved the clerk to amend the 2024 budget to reflect the purchase and funding of the grader. The board agreed to utilizing short-term borrowing to finance the grader with Clare Bank. Motion (Bill Erdenberger) seconded (Mike Patterson) was made to pass and adopt resolution #03-1224, Resolution to Borrow, on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried. The current Town grader will be sold privately with the three board members handling price and advertising.

Bill Erdenberger signed the Small Bridge/Culvert Inventory Collection Indication Form, Mike Patterson will give it to Travis Kramer of the Grant County Highway Dept.

Motion (Bill Erdenberger), seconded (Joe Kirschbaum) to adjourn meeting, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted
Jane Patterson-Clerk