TOWN OF TEXAS TOWN BOARD MEETING

January 13, 2025

7:00 pm

MUNICIPAL CENTER

Notices were posted at the Municipal Center, on the website and emailed to interested parties.

Meeting was called to order by Delmar Winter. Tom and Richard were in attendance.

Minutes of the December meeting were read by the clerk. Motion to approve by Tom, second by Richard and carried.

**TREASURER REPORT-** Treasurer report was given. Question on the Ullenbrauck fire insurance payment. Is there a voucher to transfer the payment to the Fire Department Retirement account. A voucher was prepared. Motion to accept the treasurer report and file for audit by Richard, second by Tom and carried. Question on Zientara deductible for $1000. Decision to leave outstanding for 3 months to see what happens with insurance.

Richard moved to move the funds, second by Tom and carried.

**CHAIRMAN REPORT-**Delmar talked that we need an Ordinance or Resolution for charging for fire calls. Put on February agenda.

**SUPERVISOR REPORTS-**Nothing separate

**OLD BUSINESS-or NEW BUSINESS-**Road Work was discussed. Loader is leaking, need new pressure washer, boring machine for fiber optic damaged road by KJ’s on River Hills Road. Board will need to discuss with company repair.

Salaries for Town highway employees were discussed. First increase amount was up $1.50 per hour for both men. Keith Plautz thought not enough should be more. Jon Raduechel said increase should be based on experience. Also the fact they get called or make a decision to get up and plow in the middle of the night. Neighboring towns are having hard time finding replacement workers. After much discussion, a motion was made by Richard to Increase KJ to $28/hour and Kevin $30/hour. Second by Tom and carried. This increase is retroactive to January 1, 2025. Jon works occasionally when Kevin isn’t available. He agreed to $28/ hour although he really wanted more as a seasoned county highway employee.

Town hall cleaning was discussed. Currently paying $20/hour. Motion to raise to $22/hour by Richard, second by Tom and carried.

More discussion on road damage and fiber optic poor maps and no payment for permits. Board will have to work with the companies in spring.

Culvert replacement needed on River Hills Road by Stolze. Could be 2025 culvert aid 4ft. Anderson Road needs a replacement also. Paul and Richard will check for size. East Marshall Hill Road needs a replacement too. 18”or 24”.

Blacktopping -2025 Green Valley

2026 south part of Buffalo Ridge Road.

County Line in 2027 if bridge has been replaced.

Kevin asked about selling belt sander and use funds for pressure washer or compact roller.

TRT Tom Ellias was contacted over comments about blasting. He said there are 3 sound monitoring units and showed levels on the low end that are allowed. He also stated that cloud deck can affect sound levels.

The Board discussed the process for hiring a Town Clerk. What the job details are, what experiences could be helpful, how to publish a part-time position. More discussion in February.

March 1st advertise for applicants and set up interviews.

Annual Meeting will be April 15th, the third Tuesday at 7 pm is the end of terms and beginning of the new term.

Drawing was done for ballot positions for Treasurer on February Primary.

1 Missie Thompson

2-Lorraine I Beyersdorff

3. Julie B Dellenbach Cole

Supervisor candidates were ballot positions were drawn for the April Ballot

1-Tom Domka

2 Walter Borchardt

3-Richard Burch

Drawing for Treasurer for the April Ballot will be done after the February Primary results.

**Fire Department** Board needs ordinance for billing. Fire Department meeting rate should be reviewed.

**Planning Commission**-Discussing Animal units and Zone areas.

Motion to adjourn by Richard, second by Tom and carried.

Lorraine I Beyersdorff, Town Clerk