TOWN OF TEXAS TOWN BOARD MEETING

JULY 8, 2024

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. Richard and Tom were in attendance.

Minutes of the June 10th meeting minutes were read. Motion to approve by Tom with correction for Fire Department not NSP but NFPA, second by Richard and carried.

**TREASURER REPORT-** Treasurer reported that she was ill so no June report was given and the May report was not corrected.

**CHAIR REPORT-** Nothing special not on the agenda.

**SUPERVISOR REPORTS-**Tom noted that Del Rio between WW and Town of Wausau shoulders are washed out due to heavy rain.

**CLERK REPORT-**Clerk is still waiting for information from treasurer on balancing the tax roll collections to settlement amount.

**OLD BUSINESS-or NEW BUSINESS-** Road report culverts are at Volm. Buffalo Ridge Road grinding should be completed before culvert replacements on Green Valley Road. Twin Oaks ditches will be cleaned out. The ditch by former Sprague property wll be checked. New owner says the water runs east toward the garage.

The Town gravel pit on Wiscosnin river Road was discussed. The clerk should send bid requests to all surveyors per the County CPZ and publish once in Daily herald.

Discussion of a job description for highway employees. Town of Wausau’s is 51 pages. Clerk to check files for any for Town of Texas.

Liquor license for Trapp River and failure to apply was discussed. Delmar called the Towns Association. They said anyone could call the Sheriff for failure to have a current license.

The Town can adopt an ordinance for failure to pay anything due the town. If unpaid, no licenses or permits would be given.

The Town does not have a constable currently. One could be appointed by the Board or wait until the 2025 election.

Board wants to discuss coverages with the Rural Insurance Agent. He forgot to attend in June and was sick tonight. Clerk had a list of equipment and Board reviewed for those to be removed. Clerk emailed the list of three. 1997 service truck, 2005 Sterling, and 1962 John Deere Tractor.

Discussion on municipal center improvements. Richard had talked to Cary Matsche about weatherstripping garage doors, lack of back door jam, and painting mansard. Kevin said the guys would fix door jam. Richard had estimates on weatherstripping for doors and various pricing depending on choice of materials. Paul recommended to spend more on the highway doors rather than on the fire department. Those doors get more wear. Delmar requested a written quote for painting the mansard by Matsche.

Clerk discussed a resolution to approve a Referendum to have the Town Clerk appointed rather than elected. The Towns Association has a list of pros and cons. One pro is that the Board can require qualifications. Elections don’t require any knowledge just the most votes.

Motion to approve the resolution to have the referendum question on the November 5th ballot. The Town electors get to vote on the change. Motion by Richard, second by Tom and carried. This gives Board more options in the future.

Julie had sent recommendations about dog licenses. The cost of postage to send licenses is not covered by fee of only $.50/ dog that the town retains. If we raise the license fee to $5 and $10, the other taxpayers would not be subsidizing the dog owners. The county gets the other portions of the current fees.

Julie also sent a better rent agreement for the park and hall. This was tabled and will be included on next month agenda.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT-** Tom moved to payout Mark Anderson and Loren Beyersdorff for retirement from the department per Janet Sann’s calculation. Second by Richard and carried.

**PLANNING COMMISSION-**Duane reported that someone talked to him about a radio tower. No further information but wondering if the fire department should get more information on the potential.

Motion by Tom to adjourn. Second by Richard and carried.

The vouchers reviewed and approved.

Lorraine I Beyersdorff Town Clerk