**MINUTES OF ANNUAL TOWN HALL MEETING**

**March 9, 2021**

**Location: 405 6th St Hawley**

The Town Clerk called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 8:15 pm, immediately following the Board of Canvas and Annual Elections.

Present were Supervisor Everett Nelson, Treasurer Linda Ekre, Clerk Barb Gilson, Bill Henning, Chad Murray and Denise Graunke.

Bill Henning, who was appointed as moderator, assumed the Chair of the meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS**

The moderator called for the **Clerk’s Report of the 2020 Annual Meeting**. Nelson moved to accept, Murray second, motion passed unanimously.

Henning then asked for the **Treasurer’s 2020 Financial Report**. Gilson moved to accept, Nelson second, motion passed unanimously.

The Moderator requested the **2020 Annual Audit Meeting Minutes**. Murray moved to accept, Graunke second, motion passed unanimously.

Henning called the Clerk for the **2020 Road Report**. In total, the Hawley Township had spent $82,322.84 for road and ditch maintenance. Ekre moved to accept the report, Nelson second, motion passed unanimously.

There was no other old business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

The first new business was announcing the election results. Eighteen ballots were cast. Rick Weaver was re-elected Supervisor with seventeen votes; Linda Ekre was re-elected treasure. Ekre received sixteen votes and Denise Graunke received two.

Next was establishing the **Supervisor’s Wage and Mileage Reimbursement.** Nelson moved to keep the wages the same at $75 per half day, $150 per whole day and the mileage reimbursement would be at the New Federal Government Rate ( $.56). Gilson second, motion passed unanimously.

**Establishing the Town Levy** was next on the Agenda.

1. **General Fund:** Gilson moved to continue with the previous Levy of $20,000, Ekre second, motion passed unanimously.
2. **Road and Bridges**: Ekre moved to keep the previous Levy amount of $50,000, Nelson second, motion passed unanimously.
3. **Fire and HERT**: Gilson moved to keep the Levy at $25,000, Murray second, motion passed unanimously.
4. **Weed and Gopher**: Ekre moved to stay with the previous levy of $5000, Nelson second, motion passed unanimously.

Establishing the **Township Meeting Schedule** followed. Gilson moved that meetings will be the first Tuesday of every month at 7pm at the Town Hall, Murray second, motion passed unanimously. Gilson then amended the motion to include that in case of inclement weather, meetings would be the following Tuesday at the same time and place and any unforeseen changes would be posted, Murray second, motion passed unanimously.

Henning called for establishing the date and location for the **2022 Annual Meeting and Election**. Nelson moved to set Tuesday, March 8th as the Annual Town Hall Meeting and Elections Day with polls open from 5pm to 8pm with the Annual Meeting starting immediately following the Board of Canvas . Both would be held at the Town Hall located at 405 6th St Hawley and, in case of storms, the election and meeting the following Tuesday. Gilson second, motion passed unanimously.

Next for review was membership renewal to the Clay County Historical and Cultural Society. Nelson moved to approve the $85 annual membership, Murray second, motion passed unanimously.

A donation to the Clay County Fair Board was discussed. Ekre moved to donate $100 to the fair board, Gilson second, motion passed unanimously.

The gopher bounty was next on the agenda. Gilson moved to keep the $5 bounty on gophers and $25 for nuisance beavers, Murray second, motion passed unanimously.

The moderator asked for any other new business. There was none.

Nelson moved to adjourn at 9:45 pm, Murray second, motion passed unanimously.