WORKSESSION

MAY 18, 2021 2:00PM

Present: Supervisor Greg Hartranft, Councilor Garry Stanard, Councilor Ed Wavle, Councilor Margaret Rusaw, Councilor Ariane Hamblin-Smith, Engineer Ian Yerdon, Roger Dunsmoor, and Town Clerk Sandy Austin.

Meeting started with the board signing vouchers,

Ian Yerdon went over the C2AE update.

Construction bids for Mt. Pleasant/Bateman/Distin Roads were opened Friday April 30th. All bids came in over estimate. The Town Board will look into options to cover difference if Rural Development does not approve the difference. County Route 6/Maple Avenue is having the Public Hearing tonight.

Still need to get a committee formed to proceed with the Town Hall project.

Full report on file in the clerk’s office.

Town Clerk, Sandy gave a quick update with the office status.

1. Extra resolutions for Thursday meeting:

 1-appoint two new constables

1. Thank you to the town board. Elaine and I attended the town clerk’s association online seminar.
2. Spectrum: still needs to get credit card mach in court ported over to spectrum. They came in and ran lines for the new phone system haven’t heard any more from them.
3. Still need the committee for the town hall project and when can it get started?
4. Still looking for park and garden maintenance for this year. Suggested asking the senior’s at their next luncheon if they know of anyone in the Volney area that would be interested, maybe a retired person looking for a seasonal part time job. If we have no interest within the next few days the clerk will put an ad in the paper.
5. Estimate for play ground and swing sets ground coverings. $3125.00 The board went out and looked over the park area. It was decided that they would like to expand the area as some new equipment will be coming in under the Dennis Lockwood memorial donations. Town clerk will reach out to landscaper to get a new quote.
6. Discussion about the trash being left in the park. Ideas were to possibly charge a deposit fee for the rentals, maybe some trash cans, no decision was made in on this issue.
7. Request for employee appreciation dinner in 2021. The board gave approval to hold the dinner in October again.
8. Cannabis local law: This will be put on the November election for public vote.
9. Covid quarantine policy. Due to the fact that it is still possible that an employee could become quarantined due to direct contact with another that is positive with COVID, does the board want to put a policy in place for the process and responsibility of the employee and the town. No decision was made on this.
10. Upon doing an internal audit on the 2020 books, it was discovered there were a few issues with payroll transfers resulting in the T&A balance to be lower than it should be. The bookkeeper will be doing an additional payroll transfer to correct the balance. No resolution is required as payroll transfers are covered under the blanket resolution 2021-40.

Supervisor Hartranft arranged a meeting with the board on Friday May 21, 2021 at 2:00 to go over and put together a new Local Law involving long term camper usage in the town of Volney.

Councilor Ed Wavle notified the board that it was illegal to hold an elected persons pay even if they did not attend all the meetings in any given month. He also stated that in the past other councilpersons had gone out of town for several months without repercussions.

Elaine Lockwood and Deenie Owen came in and presented to the board the choices the family of Dennis Lockwood would like to put in the park. It included two balance beams, one or two diggers and a bench with a memorial tribute for Dennis on it.

Supervisor Hartranft requested that the Clerk contact lawn maintenance and request an extra mowing this week before Friday and get a new quote for additional work to be done in the park.

Having no more business the meeting adjourned at 3:25 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra L Austin

Volney Town Clerk