

Board Minutes

Monday, July 10, 2023

The regular June meeting of the Town Board convened in the Peetz Town Hall at 6:31 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Traci Davenport, Clerk Evelyn Gardiner, Trustees Ron Gentry, Dani Rennewanz, Brenda Segelke, Maintenance Manager Hunter White and ORC Lydia Kiser were present. WWTF Project Manager Amy Sorensen and Trustees Paul Mansfield and Rayce Wood were present via Zoom. Trustee Zach was present via phone.

Consent Agenda: **Dani Rennewanz moved and Brenda Segelke seconded a motion to approve the change of date for the regular board meeting from Monday, June 12 to Monday, June 19 in order to establish a quorum. Davenport-aye, Gentry-aye, Segelke-aye, Rayce Wood, and Z. Wood-aye. Motion carried. Dani Rennewanz moved and Brenda Segelke seconded a motion to allow Peetz School Superintendent Jeff Durbin to address the meeting. Davenport-aye, Gentry-aye, Segelke-aye, Rayce Wood, and Z. Wood-aye. Motion carried.**

Minutes of the regular May 2023 meeting were reviewed. Dani Rennewanz moved and Ron Gentry seconded a motion to approve the Minutes. **Davenport-aye, Gentry-aye, Segelke-aye, Rayce Wood, and Z. Wood-aye. Motion carried.**

Evelyn presented the Treasurer's Report: Dani Rennewanz moved and Ron Gentry seconded a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. **Davenport-aye, Gentry-aye, Segelke-aye, Rayce Wood, and Z. Wood-aye. Motion carried.**

Evelyn presented the Claims Report. Brenda Segelke moved and Dani Rennewanz seconded a motion to accept the Claims Report **Davenport-aye, Gentry-aye, Segelke-aye, Rayce Wood, and Z. Wood-aye. Motion carried.**

Superintendent Jeff Durbin approached the Board with a serious problem encountered at the school in the course of the building project. Three original water taps involved in the de-construction of the old waterline located in the center of Coleman Avenue cannot be shut off: one at the corner of Main Street and Coleman Avenue, one at the corner of Main Street and Shaw Avenue, and one on Louisa Street. Under the direction of Ron Kertzner of Cornerstone, Durbin proposed a wet tap process by placing a saddle on the pipe at these three sites, drilling into the pipe, and installing a butterfly valve. Hunter White and Lydia Kiser concurred that this needed to be done. Durbin proposed that the Town and the School split the cost as follows: School pays for 1 tap @ \$9000, the Town pays for one tap at \$9000, and the School and the Town split the cost of the 3rd tap @ \$8000; thus, each pays \$13,000. **Despite concern that drilling into old cast iron pipe may have consequences, Dani Rennewanz moved and Brenda Segelke seconded a motion to install the three new valves in the manner proposed. Davenport-aye, Gentry-aye, Segelke-aye, Rayce Wood, and Z. Wood-aye. Motion carried.** Mr. Durbin exited the meeting at 7:05 pm.

WWTF PROJECT MANAGER REPORT: Amy Sorensen reported that the second construction meeting was held via Zoom on May 23. The solids testing has been done without serious concerns. Velocity is waiting for the results. The old lagoons need to be mowed prior to June 26 to allow for removal of the solids and using them on Adams's farm ground. The fence will be removed the week of June 26. The Town will reuse some of the T-posts and keep the gate but is not interested in the wire. TerraCon will be the Geo-Tech on the project. The proposed amount for their work is \$3310. **Brenda Segelke moved and Dani Rennewanz seconded a motion to accept TerraCon's bid. Davenport-aye, Gentry-aye, Segelke-aye, Rayce Wood, and Z. Wood-aye. Motion carried.**

Velocity Constructors' Pay App #1 has USDA concurrence. Evelyn will issue a check for \$10,165 to pay them. Amy is working with USDA and DOLA on the proper split for their grant funds. Attorney Kelly Lowery is still working with Logan County Planning and Zoning to arrive at an agreement with Matt Adams about the deeding of the old lagoons back to him at the end of the project.

Paul Mansfield entered the meeting via Zoom.

MAINTENANCE REPORT: Lydia Kiser

- Lydia requested that Hunter be present for all the school valve installations and that photos of the valves and exposed piping be taken. Following installation, a regular valve exercise program needs to be put in place.
- Lydia reported that Chuck Graber of Maguire Iron did an inspection of the water tower, primarily to bid the replacement of the vent that is not compliant with the State. She reported that the estimated cost of the vent replacement is \$13,500, with the following additional proposed improvements and costs: