

POKEGAMA TOWNSHIP
APPROVED REGULAR BOARD MINUTES
MARCH 10TH, 2022 at 7:00 pm

Chairman Dave Deutschlander called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Supervisors who were present Terry Peterson, Wayne Whited, Jason Zastera. Also, who were present Administrative Clerk Christy Belsheim, Treasurer Darla Hall, and Zoning Administrator Gordy Johnson

AGENDA

Jason Zastera requested to change the month on the agenda to March instead of February. Chairman Dave Deutschlander **motioned** Jason Zastera seconded to approve the agenda with one change. All in favor motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES

Jason Zastera **motioned** Wayne Whited seconded to approve the minutes from the February 10th, 2022 Regular Board Meeting as written. Dave Deutschlander yes, Terry Peterson yes, Wayne Whited yes, Jason Zastera yes. Dean Swenson abstained. Motion Carried

Terry Peterson **motioned** Wayne Whited seconded to approve the February 10th, 2022 Board of Audit Meeting Minutes as written. Dave Deutschlander yes, Terry Peterson yes, Wayne Whited yes, Jason Zastera yes, Dean Swenson abstained. Motion Carried

PAYROLL CLAIMS

Jason Zastera **motioned** Dave Deutschlander seconded to approve payroll claims check # 13382 through check# 13386 and check # 13390 through check #13406 for a total of \$11,352.75 All in favor motion carried.

SEWER CLAIMS

Dean Swenson **motioned** Wayne Whited seconded to approve check # 3383 through Check # 3391 for a total of \$18,507.78. All in favor motion carried.

TOWNSHIP CLAIMS

Terry Peterson **motioned** Dean Swenson seconded to approve check # 13380 and check # 13381 check #13387 through check # 13389 and check # 13407 through check # 13434 and EFT \$175.74. Voided check #13378 and #13379. For a total of \$16,167.00. All in favor motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT

Treasurer Darla Hall read off the balance in each fund. General \$76,781.33, Road & Bridge \$135,068.49, COVID \$48,113.53, Equipment \$27,193.85, Zoning \$32,461.99, Fire \$248,971.32, Shop \$39,639.36. She then stated we received a check for the gas tax that will show on next month's report. Dave Deutschlander **motioned** Terry Peterson seconded to accept the treasurer's report as given. All in Favor motioned carried.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Waiting for someone to come look at the shop for the addition.

CLERK

- A. Administrative Clerk Christy Belsheim stated the county ordered the election equipment. There have been questions if we should purchase our own. The cost to purchase from the county is \$5,000 with annual \$1,000 maintenance fee. Decision was made to let the county purchase the equipment.
- B. The date was set for the Reorganizational Meeting for April 14th, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.
- C. The Clerk informed the Board that mileage has been raised from .54 to .58. It was raised automatically because of Resolution 2006-5.
- D. The clerk had an email from Pine County Public Health stated if anyone was interested in participating in the Blue Zones - Pine County. It is a program to help improve health and well-being of our community. If anyone interested in participating the contact information is provided.

ZONING DEPARTMENT- NoneROADS

- A. The notice for gravel bids was published in the Pine City Pioneer on February 24th & March 3rd. Bids will be opened at the April Regular Board Meeting.
- B. The Administrative Clerk Christy Belsheim contacted EnviroTech they have two different options for dust coating. The first option Calcium Chloride 38% is \$1.20 a gallon which has been used in previous years. The second option is 1362 DuraBlend-CEP is \$1.35 a gallon. It is more environmentally friendly. It reduces the amount of chloride leaching into the environment. DuraBlend provides the same dust control as standard calcium chloride. There was some discussion it would be better to use the DuraBlend around the lake and to use the Calcium Chloride on the roads that are being graveled this year. Jason Zastera **motioned** Terry Peterson seconded to have Administrative Clerk Belsheim to contact EnviroTech to have 1362-DuraBlend CEP applied to the roads late May, and to have Calcium Chloride applied to the roads that are being graveled this year. All in favor motion carried.

FIRE

- A. The fire contract is on hold. We are waiting for the City of Pine City to get back to us with the new numbers. Chairman Dave Deutschlander dropped off all of our information regarding the fire contract at the Pine City Pioneer for an article in the newspaper. Pine City Township is having a meeting with all the townships on March 23rd, 2022, regarding forming a fire district.
- B. There was a discussion we should pay for 2021 even if we have not signed a contract. Terry Peterson **motioned** Wayne Whited seconded to pay \$141,714.18 to the City of Pine City for fire protection in 2021.

SEWER

- A. A new motor was put into Lift Station #9 last week.
- B. We received a letter from Cross Lake Sewer District stating that they will be replacing two pumps on Lift Station F located at 21406 Aubrecht Shores, and Lift station D located at Edgewater Road and

Ridgeway Road. The estimated cost to replace the two pumps is \$32,000. Treasurer Darla Hall asked if we could table the letter until next month. We need to find out more information on how to report the spending on ARPA money, and to draw up an agreement. Terry Peterson **motioned** Dean Swenson seconded to table Cross Lake's letter until next Regular Meeting in April. All in favor motioned carried.

- C. Terry Peterson mentioned there was an issue with the new flow meters. The readings were showing way more gallons than what was actually going through due to sediment build up. The new meters need to be cleaned weekly due to sediment build up. Treasurer Darla Hall took the average of the first three months for billing. Starting next week, the meters will be cleaned weekly going forward.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Administrative Clerk Christy Belsheim stated with the new districting even though it does not affect us we need a new resolution to designate the polling place. Dave Deutschlander **motioned** Jason Zastera seconded to accept Resolution 2022-3 Resolution Reestablishing Precinct's and Polling Places.
- B. Spring Short Courses through MAT are online this year for supervisors it is March 15th, 8:00-12:30.
- C. The Pine County Officers Meeting is March 26th, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. at Hinckley Community Center.

OLD BUSINESS – None

AGENDA REQUEST – None

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

CORRESPONDENCE – None

REMINDERS

- A. Next Planning Commission March 21st, 2022, at 7:00 pm
- B. Next Regular Board Meeting April 14th, 2022, at 7:00 pm
- C. Board of Appeal and Equalization April 19th, 2022, at 9:00 am

JUNK MAIL

Dave Deutschlander **motioned** Jason Zastera seconded to destroy the junk mail. All in favor motioned carried.

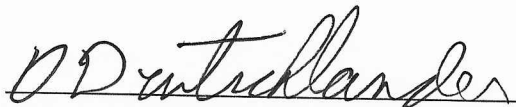
ADJOURN

Dave Deutschlander **motioned** Wayne Whited seconded to adjourn the March 10th, 2022, Regular Board Meeting. All in favor motioned carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:43.

Submitted by:


Christy Belsheim

Administrative Clerk
Pokegama Township


Dave Deutschlander

Chairman
Pokegama Township