

GREENWOOD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 13, 2022.

6:30PM

Chair Drobac calls meeting to order

Pledge of Allegiance

This meeting will be recorded for transcription and archival purpose.

ROLL CALL: Chair Drobac, Vice Chair Lofquist, Sup. Ralston, Sup. Skubic, Sup. Stoehr, Interim Treasurer Maus, Interim Clerk Bassing All votes will be by roll call.

Any changes or additions to the Agenda requested? None

MOTION: Stoehr/Drobac to accept agenda. No dis. 5/0 Vote PASS.

MOTION: Drobac/Lofquist to approve minutes of August 10, 2022. No dis. Vote 5/0 PASS

PUBLIC COMMENT: Lee Peterson-Trails were a popular item in the Comprehensive Plan and the Lake Vermilion Trail was a popular idea but enthusiasm has waned. Our segment has been relegated to the shoulder of Co. 115 which is only 6 ft. wide but needs to be 8ft for the trail. Lee's second item is that Birch Point extension was paved without Township funds and if future repairs are needed then they should be assessed to the homeowners of that road.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Beginning Fund Balance Checking on 7/31 \$236,891.97, Receipts \$23,268.55, Disbursements (\$13,173.84) = Ending Fund Balance Checking 8/31 \$246,986.78. Long Term Investments \$252,560.24, Savings Account \$236,033.71 = Schedule 1 total of \$735,580.73

MOTION: Lofquist/Drobac to approve Treasurer's Report. dis. Ralston-Clerk's report also? Vote 4/1 PASS Ralston votes NO

CLAIMS: MOTION: Drobac/Lofquist to approve claims. No dis. 5/0 Vote PASS

PAYROLL: Treasurer Maus reports ADP has revamped system

MOTION: Drobac/Lofquist to approve payroll. No dis. 5/0 Vote PASS

OLD BUSINESS:

1. 21501 Claim. Treasurer Maus reports this claim for work done on garage door last year unpaid. No documentation it was paid, advise payment. MOTION: Drobac/Lofquist to pay claim. No dis. 5/0 Vote PASS.
2. Guest Speaker- Damon Day. Bois Fort Emergency Services, reports he request aid from Greenwood FD to sand bag a resident's property. 3 FF responded.
3. DISCIPLINE POLICY: Drobac states it is in Personnel Policy. Lofquist says let it go as written No action taken.
4. BROADBAND: Ralston-LTD was dropped by FCC and spoke with Sen. Smith's office on earmarks. John Bassing- NTIA Tribal Grant still possible as funds have been added. Drobac-Smith's office said apply, apply, apply for grants.
5. McGRATH: Ralston-consultants are in town Sept 19,20 and Ely, Tower, Cook, Virginia invited. IRRRB will contribute 50% toward feasibility study.

6. WEBSITE: Interim Clerk Bassing reports making progress getting info posted. Ralston-need to post office hours. Drobac-FD info needs posting.
7. FIRE DEPT. RECORDINGS: Drobac advises FD to transfer recording to Clerk every 6 months.
8. FD PHYSICALS: Stoehr- Fairview is looking at Feb.
9. KITCHEN USE: MOTION: Lofquist/Drobac to amend Township policy to \$50 refundable deposit and a \$25 Use Fee for using Kitchen if used for profit. Dis. Ralston-who enforces? Lofquist-Jarri Ankrum Vote 5/0 PASS.
10. INSURANCE: Interim Clerk Bassing needs Motion to approve insurance claim. MOTION: Drobac/Lofquist-to pay insurance premium. No dis. Vote 5/0 PASS.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. SPENDING AUTHORITY: Lofquist-leave as is. no action.
2. CAMERAS: Drobac reports attorney says do nothing. No action.
3. RESOLUTION #9, 2022: to accept IRRRB funds for EMS study. MOTION: Drobac/Lofquist to pass Resolution as presented. No dis. Vote 5/0 PASS
4. SERVICE CREDIT UNFULFILLED: Drobac- PERA report has FD member with Service Credit which was unearned. Ralston- We don't have the report and need it. Drobac requests Fire Dept. send the Board a copy of the report. Chief Fazio-It may be only a PERA estimate.
5. RESOLUTION #10, 2022: To have Board approve Fire Chief list of FF receiving a service credit. Dis. Ralston it's done every year. MOTION: Drobac/Lofquist to pass Resolution as presented. Vote 3/2 PASS Ralston and Skubic vote NO.
6. FD TRUCK MAINTENANCE: Drobac- The Board asked for the FD to keep logs in the trucks, is that being done and is there a maintenance schedule? Chief Fazio-No to both. Assistant Chief Indihar-We are not mechanics and we used to have a maintenance man do that. John Bassing-Other FD do some maintenance. Jodi Summit-Vermilion Lake does. Drobac-How long ago did engine #1 stall? Indihar-About a month ago on it's last trip out and when we went out to get a filter NAPA would not let us because the bills weren't paid. Drobac-When you first found out about it, it should have been fixed right away. We need at least a check list once a month because it would have been disastrous if the truck were going fire and it stalled. Indihar-It was done right then. Stoehr-FD should have called him and it would have been done. FD asked to come up with a plan.
7. FD MANAGEMENT: MOTION: Drobac/Lofquist to dismiss Chief Fazio and Assistant Chief Indihar from their duties as Chief and Assistant Chief. Dis. Skubic- What are your reasons? Drobac-There are ongoing things and things like job descriptions which are not adhered to. Skubic-The Personnel Policy has steps to follow, this is not right. Stoehr-I have read the PP and there are circumstances that allow for this. Ralston-The Board has stepped out of bounds. Drobac-The township attorney advised me that this action is allowable. Safety Officer Worringer-I would like to be added to the motion. Drobac amends motion to accept such. Vote 3/2 PASS Ralston and Skubic vote NO.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORTS: DROBAC: MOTION: to transfer FD fund to the General Fund. Second Lofquist. Dis. Ralston General fund is a Black Hole. Vote 3/2 PASS Ralston Skubic vote NO. MOTION: Drobac/Lofquist to post notice in the FD and the Township newspaper to hire new Fire Chief. No dis. Vote 3/2 PASS Ralston and Skubic vote NO.

LOFQUIST: Latest H2O test showed AR went from 3-12.6, filter needs a part. MOTION: Lofquist/Drobac to do quarterly H2O tests and complete maintenance as needed. No dis. Vote 5/0 PASS. Birch Pt. Rd. Extension. MOTION: Lofquist to have township contract for brushing 3ft in by 12ft up. Lee Peterson says residents along road should pay through assessment. Lofquist says should be a road fund to repair the road also. Drobac-asks if she means a fund paid for by the extension residents? Mark Drobac-asks for the road dimensions and says should consider returning it to dirt. Ralston-we have no obligation to maintain a blacktop road. Marilyn Mueller-Road started getting maintained as a favor to a resident from

plow driver. Lofquist withdraws her motion, No action. MOTION: Lofquist/Drobac to limit public comment to 3 minutes. Dis. Lee Peterson-that's ridiculous. Ralston-it's been fine. Vote 2/3 FAILS Stoehr, Ralston and Skubic vote NO. RALSTON: This attack on the FD is totally unwarranted. SKUBIC: It is a real travesty what happened to the FD and we are losing good quality people that will be hard to replace. STOEHR: Working on getting the gas furnaces maintained. INTERIM CLERK BASSING: I don't know how Jarri Ankrum knows when the town hall has been reserved by the clerk.

CORRESPONDENCE:INTERIM CLERK BASSING gives brief description of letter sent by Lee Peterson describing the negatives of how the Tower City Council uses Ad Hoc meetings in secret and the negatives of doing so. St Louis Co. sent descriptions of two properties that it is putting up for sale.

FIRE DEPT. REPORT:CHIEF FAZIO- 2 Fire calls.15 EMS, 2 Training, 2 Maintenance, 1 Meeting.
SAFETY OFFICER WORRINGER: Did hose testing, had a training session with Cook and Breitung scheduled which will be cancelled due to lack of officers.

MOTION: Lofquist/Drobac to adjourn No dis. Vote 5/0 PASS 8:22 PM

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DR. JOANN BASSING INTERIM CLERK