

Regular Meeting
February 19, 2011

The regular meeting of the Pelican Town Board was called to order by Chairman Bruce Galles. Present: Bruce Galles (attended by Skype), Robert Olson, Tracy Donovan, Connie Rockwell, Shirley Wallin. Also present: Jack & Lili Johnson, Calvin Wallin, Tony Loberg, Brian Sandell (Breezy Point Police).

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

Brian Sandell from Breezy Point Police Dept. was present. He handed out calls for the month of January. There was only 12 calls total. 2 assist calls, 1 traffic arrest (DUI), 5 traffic stops-warnings, 4 misc. calls. Was not a busy month in January. Police contract was discussed, the Police Contract for 2011 will be \$41,494.89, Donovan will check with other places, to see what they pay for police protection, before the annual meeting.

Minutes of the January meeting were reviewed, Olson made a motion to approve minutes seconded by Donovan, motion carried.

Treasurer's report given by C. Rockwell. Opening Balance: \$267,512.08, Receipts: \$3,328.21, Disbursements: \$7822.79, Balance: \$263,017.50, Frandsen Bank: \$263,017.50, Lakewood Bank CD: \$27,862.79, American National MM: \$16,101.93, Total Investments: \$43,964.42, Total Funds + Investments: \$306,981.92. Donovan made a motion to approve Treasurers report, seconded by Olson, motion carried.

Bills to be paid were presented, Donovan made a motion to pay all bills, seconded by Olson, motion carried.

Donovan made a motion to endorse the Breezy Point police contract and recommend the ratification at the annual meeting, seconded by Olson, motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM: none

CORRESPONDENCE: Crow Wing Co. Fair Association asking for financial help. Donovan stated not to donate to the Fair. Crow Wing County Association Annual Meeting, April 25, 2011 at 7 PM at Crow Wing Township Hall. Received a list of items the Election Systems and Software has for sale, none fit our needs. Towmaster Truck Equipment-"Get Ready For Winter" training and education expo July 12th from 7:30 AM-1:30 PM. Received reference guide on Minnesota Open Meeting Law, from Kennedy & Graven. Crisis Line wants donation of \$200.00 to cover growing costs of the 24 hr. crisis line-includes resolution for health services. We will bring this to the annual meeting and Jack Johnson will present info about the crisis line. Received minutes of the Mission Fire Meeting, Received information on the swing-safe mailboxes, Annual Township Short Course will be at Breezy Point Resort on Friday March 25, 2011.

Road Report: Roads aren't great, but an improvement over what they were like. Sterling Trucks are no longer being made; parts will be available for 5 years only. Galles recommended to Loberg to check on proprietary parts and pick up as a spare. Donovan felt that the road fund is pretty high and we should check and see what needs to be done and get some of that done this year.

COMMITTEE REPORT: Olson attended the Nisswa Fire meeting; they will be increasing the Fireman's relief by 10% for 2012. There were no call outs for Pelican Township in 2010. Donovan attended both Mission and Pequot Lakes Fire Meeting Jack Johnson attended the Pequot Lakes Fire Meeting, also. Johnson stated that Pequot Lakes Fire Dept. will not provide fire protection for those that go away for the winter if their driveways are not plowed out. Olson made a motion to accept the 2011 Fire contract with Nisswa, seconded by Galles, motion carried. Mission wants us to sign individual contracts through 2014, will discuss at annual meeting. Joint Powers Agreement with Cable Commission, to waive an outside audit, which is thousands of dollars. Donovan made a motion to approve Joint Powers Agreement, seconded by Olson, motion carried. Sandy Peine who has been the Secretary/Treasurer is no longer part of the Commission; Galles needs someone to fill in her place. Franchise agreement due by August 1st, this year they will be giving out 4 \$1500.00 scholarships.

ZONING: Pawlyshn zoning request coming before Planning and Zoning on February 17th, Clerk sent reply of no objection as discussed at January meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: Budget discussed. Received calculations from the County and in order to receive the gas tax we need to levy a minimum in road and bridge \$147,231.00. Discussion held on how to reduce the budget. Olson made a motion to set levy at \$258,660.00 and to present this to the residents at the annual meeting, seconded by Donovan, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Clerk, Wallin wanted to know if we could get a shade for in the office room as the sun usually glares on one desk or the other. OK'd by the board.

No transfer of funds.

Audit meeting will be Saturday February 26th at 9 AM, Annual meeting Tuesday March 8, 2011 at 7 PM, Regular meeting Thursday March 10th at 7:30 PM.

Meeting adjourned by general consent.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shirley Wallin

Shirley Wallin, Clerk