

Regular Meeting

February 14, 2017

The regular meeting of the Pelican Town Board was called to order by Chairman Bruce Galles (on skype). Present: Supervisors: Bruce Galles, Robert Olson, Bruce Westerberg, Treasurer: Jody Wallin, Clerk: Shirley Wallin. Also present: Brion and Melissa Hartwig, Joe Garcia from Breezy Point Police Dept., Eli Dwyer from Breezy Point Police Dept. and Tony Loberg.

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

Police Report: Joe Garcia and Eli Dwyer were present from Breezy Point Police Dept., they now have a new way of tracking calls. They have had some cars go through the ice, so be cautious. They had 8 calls in our township in January, (traffic arrest, burglary, medical alarms and 1 house watch). Eli Dwyer and Brian Sandell will now be servicing our township. We will see a difference in record keeping, will see County and Breezy Point Police as one, so may show 2 calls for the same incident. Call the non-emergency number or 911-please- for anything suspicious cars, something out of place, get license plates, time of day, if you go on vacation call the Breezy Point Police office and Karen will fill out a form and give to the officers and they will keep an eye on your house and property.

Public Forum- Brion and Melissa Hartwig were present, the live on West Cree Bay Road that we had paved last summer, they are on the bottom side of the hill, a lot of the hill went into their driveway, they added 7 ½ feet of fill and had 1 foot before- they have had a lot of problems getting out of their driveway this winter. They are afraid if we get a lot of rain it will all go into their sewer and they can't afford to be moving the sewer. The board will take a close look at it on their spring road inspection the beginning of April.

Galles made a motion to approve minutes and as presented, seconded by Olson, motion carried.

Treasurers report given by Jody Wallin, Opening Balance: \$264,074.05, Receipts: \$7927.36, Disbursements: \$11,483.32, Balance: \$260,518.09, Investments: BlackRidge Bank: \$118,687.32, interest: \$57.23, Total

Investments: \$118,744.55, Total Funds and Investments: \$379,262.64, Galles made a motion to approve Treasurers report, seconded by Westerberg, motion carried.

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

Correspondence: Received the Breezy Point Police Contract for April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018 it will be \$49,000.00 for 1,040 hrs. at \$47.12 per hr. Went up \$1500.00 which is the same rate hike for the last few years. Clerk received from the US Dept. of Commerce- the boundary lines- clerk responded with no changes. District 8 bus trip to the Capital is scheduled for Wednesday March 8, 2017, Westerberg interested in going, Clerk will get him registered and have them send him the info. Crow Wing County Association of Township Officers annual meeting will be Monday April 24th at 7 pm at Ideal Town Hall. Nisswa Fire contract meeting will be Tuesday February 21st at 7:00 pm at Nisswa Fire Hall. Land Stewartship Project- state legislators need to hear from township officers about the importance of keeping township rights strong. Minnesota Benefit Association Life Insurance is due by April 1st, we now have the 5K which is good until 70 then it's cut in half, Galles made a motion to continue with the 5K, seconded by Olson, motion carried. Received request for donations from Crow Wing County Historical Society and Crisis Line (township cannot do donations). Short Course for township officers will be on Monday, March 27th. Received request for assessment search for Michael Amsden on Dog Leg Trail.

Road Report: Maintenance person said that the people on West Cree Bay plow their driveways across the road and it leave a ridge and gets hard and then it is hard to plow. We store our salt-sand on the ground, maintenance man suggested we may want to consider a little shed for straight salt (for ice control), struggling a lot this year with ice, trying to keep ice under control. Olson attended the CWC joint meeting and he said they do have a rubber belly plow that helps a lot so the blade doesn't get so beat up.

Committee Reports: none

Zoning issues: none

Old Business: we will add a new category to expense sheet to cover longer meetings other than short course, Galles will revise the reimbursement schedule and present at next meeting.

New Business: Board is thinking of doing some seal coating on some of our roads, if we want Crow Wing County to do crack sealing for us we need to let them know soon, so they can get us on their schedule. Olson will check with County to see if they know any contractors and possibly get pricing for out sourcing the crack sealing.

Budget for 2018 reviewed. Galles would like to see the capital investment go up for roads. Galles made a motion to recommend a budget of \$319,325.00 to residents at the annual meeting, seconded by Westerberg, motion carried. Olson said at the CWC meeting the snow plowing for the county in 2015-2016 winter was \$686,000.00 so far this year up to January 31, 2017 is \$931,647.00. City of Jenkins, Breezy Point, Ideal, Fifty Lake and Deerwood, are partnering with Crow Wing County for seal coating .

No transfer of Funds.

March 9, 20217 at 7:30 pm will be the regular town board meeting and March 14, 2017 at 7:00 pm will be the annual township meeting.

Meeting adjourned by general consent.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Shirley Wallin

Shirley Wallin, Clerk