Town of Breed Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday March 12th, 2024

The Town of Breed Regular Board meeting for March 12th, 2024 was called to order by Chairman Phil Christenson at 7:00pm. There were 13 electors present.

The pledge of allegiance was said. All board members were present for roll call. Chairman Phil Christenson, Supervisors Mark Quandt and Tim Mitchell, Treasurer Ethel Firgens, and Clerk Kristen Telford.

A motion was made to approve the agenda by Christenson, seconded by Mitchell. Passed.

A motion to approve the February 13th minutes as printed by Quandt, seconded by Christenson. Passed.

Clerk's report was given by Kristen Telford highlighting election updates, training challenges, updates on Quickbooks, state filings, and a thank you to Timm's Tax Service. The installation of high-speed internet for our area in the next two years was also mentioned.

The Treasurer's report was given by Ethel Firgens, explaining the expenditures and receipts for the month of February. All amounts reconciled with the bank's amounts. A request to amend a typo for check #2344 on the report, not an actual error, was made. Treasurer's report to be approved at the next meeting with corrected amount.

A review was made of the monthly bills. Questions were answered regarding amounts and entities. Christenson made a motion to pay the monthly bills, seconded by Tim Mitchell. Carried.

Jill Trochta and Laurie Lucka gave a very informative presentation for the Suring Area Public Library. They mentioned the overall growth of the number of individuals using our public library, the activities that they host for a range of ages, mentorship programs, community programs, upcoming fundraisers and Friends of the Library. They brought a sampling of the new learning products such as Launchpads, Wonderbooks, and Stay Sharp Kits for senior citizens. There is something to benefit all ages and interests. Thank you!

The board discussed the approval of a 5 member Planning Commission for a three-year term. Five electors volunteered. A motion was made to approve Richard Geneske(Chairman), Chris Hellem (Vice Chair), Phil Christenson (Secretary), Dan Prouty, and Laurie Lucka to the Planning Commission for the Town of Breed by Quandt, seconded by Mitchell. Carried.

During the road report, weight limits were discussed. It was determined that they remain until the end of the month. Some allowances by individual cases for early morning trucking

while roads are still frozen. The LRIP for Central Rd is complete. A Nauke Rd update will be known by the end of the month. The ARIP grant program does not look feasible because of cost. Some needed small equipment and tools were discussed for town road maintenance. A motion was made by Christenson, seconded by Mitchell to approve the purchase of a Stihl chainsaw. Carried. A motion to purchase a DeWalt cordless grinder compatible with other tool batteries was made by Christenson, seconded by Quandt. Carried. And a motion was made by Christenson, seconded by Mitchell to approve the purchase of a light bar for the town truck thru a purchase order, carried.

In the Recycling Center report, it was discussed charging a fee for large items or trailers full of refuse. The town will find out what the neighboring townships charge for larger items. The Recycling Committee will work on having a fee scale for larger items, information on the gate, ID cards, and signs for the April meeting. There will be a collaboration on fixing the low area at the recycling center.

The Public Service Commission Grant is moving along.

The forensic audit is also moving forward.

There was no public comment.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:26pm by Mitchell, seconded by Quandt. Adjourned. Regular board meeting to reconvene on April 9th 2024 at 7:00pm.