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Annual Meeting April 18, 2023

Annual Meeting held April 18, 2023 at the Maribel Sportsmen's Club at 7:00 p.m. Called to order by Chairperson David Blakeslee at 7:00. Twenty-three attendees present. Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman David Blakeslee introduced the board gave a recap on the meetings itinerary.

Minutes from the 2022 Annual meeting from April 19th were read. On a motion by Sup. Fred Lemens and seconded by Sup. Anthony Shabler, moved to approve minutes as amended. Motion carried on an affirmative voice vote in favor, zero no votes cast.

On a motion by Chairman Blakeslee and seconded Sup. Lemens, moved to approve the borrowing of money for emergency purposes. Hand Count: yes-19/nay-0. Motion carried.

No action of wage increases. On motion by Sup. Nick Propson and seconded by Sup. Hank Kouba, moved keep salaries the same for the 2024-2026 terms. yes-23/nay-0. Motion carried.

Site location and time of 2024 Annual Meeting will remain the same for April 16, 2024.

2022 Annual Report: Chairman Blakeslee walked through the Annual Report page by page and asked for questions. Chairman Blakeslee thanked Sup. Mike Albers and Sup. Bill Enz for their service as retiring Board Members. Sup. Mike Albers had 26 years of service. He introduced Pam Kouba as new Plan Commission member. He thanked Nancy Weber and Leroy Meles for their past service as Plan Commission members. Joe Havlovitz asked about the revenue of \$1000 for fines. Clerk Kornely reported a portion was from a resident that did not take out a building permit prior to work and had to pay double fee (half being the fine). Recap on the 50/50 culvert fund, the town received the County portion in 2023, instead of 2022 making the reserve fund lower than expected. Ross Johnson asked about the money being spent on roads and to consider grading Scanlan Road or sell the grader. Rick Kornely asked about the vendor expenses: Mishicot Auto, M & M Machining, Maribel Grain, Dan Kasten, Ben Jensen Excavating, R & R Saw, Town of Cooperstown. Sup. Kouba asked the expense for MCC. Discussion on outsourcing the work or doing the work ourselves, shopwork, road maintenance and snowplowing. Discussion on snowplowing in a timely manner, when other towns around us had their roads are open sooner. Sup. Kouba asked why the grader never goes out. The grader only goes out when there is a snowfall over 6 inches. Road expense for Hidden Valley Road – Pleasant Rd to T was split with the Village of Maribel. Discussion on 2023 grant application submitted on Rosecrans Road – Hidden Valley Road to Greenstreet Road. Recap of 2024 road projects. The town board will be going out tomorrow for road review. Discussion on getting quotes for Scanlan Road. The town will be installing signs for houses over 500' or hidden house- visibility. Chairman Blakeslee and Sup. Lemens reported on the Transfer Site cost and revenues vs contracting for curbside pickup. Sup. Propson pays \$300 per year for pickup service. Decrease in the intergovernmental for 2023- no ARPA dollars.

Ross Johnson asked about going back to a 3-member board. Sup. Propson spoke on moving back to a 3-member board- you can't find people to run. On a motion by Sup. Kouba and seconded by Ross Johnson, moved to go back to three-member board- advisory to the Town Board. Dave Blakeslee stated there is no continuity if all board members are voted off all in the same year. Hand Count: yes-14/nay-4. Motion carried.

Mike Albers spoke on the cost of the board members, going to an appointed clerk and treasurer, going to a appointed clerk/treasurer position with an annual audit.

Rick Kornely asked what was the cause of the water runoff damage on Pleasant Rd by Keup's driveway. Two culverts have sod growth on the ends of them and should have been cleared before

runoff. He suggested an annual Safety Meeting and Employee Handbook view with the employees and then have them sign off.

Mike Albers thanked Chairman Blakeslee for all the work he does for the town.

On a motion by Chairman Blakeslee and seconded by Sup. Propson, called for adjournment. Motion carried on an affirmative voice vote, zero no voted cast.

The meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

Minutes prior to approval

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Kornely, Clerk

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