

October 9, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Rantoul was called to order at 7:00pm at the Village Hall of Potter by Chairman Mertz. He verified that meeting notices were posted on October 5, 2023. All members were present.

Motion by Eickert, second by Jannette to approve the September 2023 minutes as printed; motion carried by voice vote. Motion by Jannette, second by Eickert to accept the Treasurer's report of Checking account balance of \$10,758.67, Money Market account balance of \$66,712.37 and Tax Collection Account of \$15.29 for a total of \$77,486.33; motion carried by voice vote.

The Town Board reviewed the most recent 2023 Sales Recording for the Town of Rantoul, and the Monthly Activity Log from Calumet County.

The Hilbert First Responder's annual meeting took place on Monday, October 9th at 5:30 pm, which was attended by Chairman Mertz, Gregg Eickert, and David Jannette. A 3% increase was being suggested for the new Hilbert First Responder's contract. That would increase the yearly contracted fee from \$5,066 to \$5,217.98. This increase was already approved by Chairman Mertz at the October 9th meeting.

The Wisconsin Towns Association District meeting will be hosted by the Town of Rantoul on October 19th at the Potter Village Hall. Chairman Mertz, Supervisors Jannette and Eickert, Clerk Mink, and Treasurer Loose plan to be in attendance. Special thanks to Randy at Rural Mutual Insurance who will be donating the meal and beverages.

Snow plowing charges for the 2023-2024 winter season for the Village of Potter and Town of Charlestown were reviewed. Due to increased salt and sand costs, the Board sought to increase the snowplowing charges to \$5,750 (up from \$5,500) for up to 30 times plus an additional \$191.66 /time (up from \$183.33/time) over 30. Motion by Eickert, second by Jannette to increase the pricing as indicated above for the 2023-2024 winter season; motion carried by voice vote.

The Board reviewed 2024 budget items. The Board is planning to move forward with the Irish Rd Project in 2024.

An invoice for a new laptop for the Town Clerk was reviewed. The total for the business grade laptop and initial setup by the IT Department would be \$1,455.99. Motion by Jannette, second by Eickert to purchase the new clerk laptop from the IT Department and have the initial setup done; motion carried by voice vote.

The pickup truck replacement will be tabled until next month for quotes.

The Fall Road Tour will be held on Monday, October 23rd at 4:00pm.

For correspondence this month, there was an email from Bernie Sorenson, Emergency Manager for Calumet County, asking for the Town Board's permission to add a simple insert of instructions to help residents learn how to sign up for the local emergency alerting system into the November tax bill sent out to residents. There will be no cost for this insert to the town. Motion by Jannette, second by Eickert to approve permission to add an instructional insert into the November tax bills regarding the local emergency alerting system; motion carried by voice vote.

Bills totaling \$132,566.78 were presented. Motion by Eickert, second by Jannette to approve the bills as presented; motion carried by voice vote. An itemized list follows.

With no further business, motion by Jannette, second by Eickert to adjourn; motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Ashley Mink
Clerk, Town of Rantoul