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TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: MAY 7, 2025

PLACE: Town of Sigel Town Hall

TIME: 7:00PM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Dick Goodwin, Supervisor Tom Nieman and Supervisor Dennis Larson.

1. Chairman Goodwin called the meeting of the Town Board to order at 7:00PM. There was a Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **MINUTES** – Clerk, Sandra Nieman read the minutes from the last meeting. Chairman Goodwin asked if there are any additions or corrections to the minutes. There were none. The minutes were approved with unanimous consent.
3. **TREASURER’S REPORT** – Dawn Larson, Treasurer read the Treasurer’s Report. She reported a balance of \$257,047.54 in the general checking account, \$122,948.94 in the machinery fund as of April 30, 2025. Goodwin asked if there were any additions or corrections to the report. There were none. The treasurer’s report was approved with unanimous consent.
4. **ZONING UPDATES –**
 - a. Steve Barker – Motor Home – Mr. Barker has made a request to have the motor home on his property on County HH. He stated that he will be staying for more than the 30-days allowed. He plans on having this be a temporary situation and is planning to move to Florida. Nieman made a motion to approve with Larson seconding. Motion carried.
 - b. Approve Robert Datka Zoning Request – Anthony Spranger stated that the Zoning Committee recommends that this zoning request be approved. Goodwin made a motion to approve the Datka request, Nieman seconded. Motion carried.
 - c. Spranger said that there are a few building permits requested. He said that there is a sanitary permit for Aschenbrenner. Also, the Snow Drifters have poured footings for their building.
5. **APPROVE ORDINANCE TO DESIGNATE CLASS “B” HIGHWAYS IN THE TOWN OF SIGEL** – Nieman made a motion to approve, Dennis Larson seconded.
6. **APPROVE TOWN OF SIGEL PERMIT TO OPERATE OVERWEIGHT/OVERWIDTH VEHICLE ON CLASS “B” TOWN ROADS** - Nieman made a motion to approve the form for overweight/overweight permit that includes a fee to be determined included upon issuance of the form with two out of three board members signatures. Goodwin seconded. Motion carried.
7. **APPROVE ROBERT DATKA TO OPERATE TRUCK ON CLASS “B” TOWN ROAD** – Mr. Datka is requesting to run a Class “B” road to his place of business. Nieman made a motion to approve the Datka request to travel the Class “B” road from his place of business to Hwy C at 80,000 lbs unless it is an open trailer with less than 48,000 lbs. Larson seconded. Goodwin and Larson voted against. Motion failed. Goodwin made a motion that Mr. Datka can operate his vehicle on a Class “B” road from his place of business to Hwy C at 80,000 lbs and maintain a \$25,000 bond and this applies to his business (R-L Express) only. Larson seconded. Motion carried.
8. **CONSIDER SALE OF 8 ACRES OF TOWN OF SIGEL LAND LOCATED ON TOWN HALL RD** - The Board will do some research on the sale of that land. If it can be sold, monies should be set aside for use on Town Hall updates.

9. **APPROVE ATTENDANCE FOR TOWN OFFICIALS AT WTA SPRING WORKSHOPS –** Goodwin made a motion to approve three board members to attend this workshop, Nieman seconded. Motion carried.
10. **OPEN BOOK/BOARD OF REVIEW TO BE HELD MAY 21, 2025 AND MAY 28, BOTH AT 2-4PM, RESPECTIVELY -** This is for informational purposes. Postings have been made.
11. **DISCUSS WHITE GOOD/TIRE COLLECTION – ATTENDANTS ETC.** There will be five attendants working at this collection on June 14 from 10:00AM to 4:00PM.
12. **APPROVE DRIVEWAY/CULVERT PERMIT(S) – IF ANY -** Jerry Brock on Knuth Rd is requesting a driveway permit with no culvert. Goodwin made a motion to approve, Larson seconded. Motion carried.
13. **ROAD WORK –** Goodwin stated that the Board is targeting about a mile of reconstruction and about a mile of crack filling/chip sealing. Goodwin suggested Pine and Schudy Roads for reconstruction. Nieman made a motion to reconstruct Pine Rd west of S and Schudy Rd from Town Hall to the curve. Goodwin seconded. Motion carried. Goodwin made a motion to chip seal Town Hall Rd from Swedish to F and Schudy Rd from F to curve and bid each road separately. Larson seconded. Motion carried.
 - a. **BIDS FOR ROAD WORK** Goodwin made a motion to bid 1 ¼ road base with a 3 inch lift on Pine Rd and Schudy Rd for reconstruction delivered and leveled. Nieman seconded. Motion carried. Goodwin made a Crack filling/Chip seal bids will be the same as in previous years for Town Hall and Schudy. Nieman seconded. Motion carried. Bids will be opened at the June meeting. Road base on gravel roads will be purchased and hauled by Wood County.

Farmers are “farming the ditch” again. Farmers are required to stay out of the ditch with equipment. A suggestion was made to bill for ditch cleaning if they get filled in from farming.
14. **CITIZEN INPUT -** Goodwin stated there are a few job opportunities with the Town. Contact a board member if interested. Spranger asked how the Town has handled stray dogs in the past. He was informed that the Town is just trying to recoup money it costs the Town for an animal at large. Mike Schwake asked how the Waste Management negotiations are going. Goodwin said that finalizations are being made.
15. **OPEN AND READ CORRESPONDENCE, IF ANY –** Correspondence was opened and read.
16. **REVIEW AND APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT -** Nieman made a motion to pay bills, Larson seconded. Motion carried.
17. **ADJOURN –** Motion to adjourn made by Larson, seconded by Goodwin at 9:20PM. Motion carried.

SANDRA NIEMAN, Town Clerk – Town of Sigel

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APPROVED BY THE TOWN OF SIGEL BOARD.