

TOWN OF APPLE RIVER
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, May 11th, 2020

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Rick Scoglio.

Present: Chairman Rick Scoglio; Supervisor Ansel Johnson; Supervisor Kerry Bryan; Town Clerk JoAnn Agne; Town Treasurer, Janice Carlson; Plan Commission Chair Steve Arduser; Betty Bergstedt, Charley Cran, Ken Sample, Lisa Carlson, Fire Chief: Alec Lloyd-Adams and Jim Root.

Verification of Public Notice was affirmed by Clerk.

Approval of Agenda: Hearing no additions/corrections, motion by Supervisor Bryan to approve the agenda as presented. Motion 2nd by Supervisor Johnson. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the April Regular Meeting were reviewed. Motion by Supervisor Johnson to approve, 2nd by Supervisor Bryan, carried by voice vote.

Public Input – None.

Report by Treasurer: The April Treasurer's Report was presented by Janice Carlson and will be posted online on the website. Motion by Supervisor Bryan to accept report as given, motion 2nd by Supervisor Johnson. Motion carried.

County Report: Polk County's New Shoreline Ordinance was adopted as proposed, and is effective May 1, 2020.

Vouchers: Vouchers were read and reviewed, motion by Supervisor Johnson to approve, 2nd by Supervisor Bryan. Motion carried.

Supervisor Reports: Chair Scoglio, none. Supervisor Bryan noted that White Ash community researching Land Use Permits issued for BB's, rentals on lake, but the CoVid 19 virus has slowed down information available from County Land Use office. The dredging of the lake is on hold due to Covid 19. Fire Department Funding Alternatives is a work in progress, not ready for discussion. Supervisor Johnson, none.

Committee Reports: Election Committee – Over 100 absentee ballots have been issued for tomorrow's election. Ambulance – None. Cemetery - None.

Department Reports: Fire Department- Six fire, 3 medical calls, new pump purchase for old Fire Hall, Certification of Engines- Engines 1 & 2 both need work completed, #2 more than 1.

Highway – Road Tour by Supervisors occurred May 4th, handout of roads was produced. Last year's priorities were not completed due to the July tornado and clean-up efforts, but some road markings are still intact. Three to four culverts are collapsed and in need of replacement. Beaver trapping will be necessary. Polk County will complete work. Town Plan Commission: Steve Arduser announced the next Planning Commission meeting is May 28th.

Issues to be reviewed and/or acted on:

1. 1729 E. White Ash Reduced Setback Request. Steve Arduser reported that the Planning Commission recommended approval of request. Motion by Supervisor Johnson to approve request, 2nd by Supervisor Bryan. Motion carried.

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2. Driveway ordinance was reviewed.
3. Cemetery and Burial Ordinance - The Planning Commission discussed the proposed ordinance but was unable to come to a resolution. The Board directed the Planning Commission to compose a letter citing the Town's concerns regarding the inconsistencies with the Comprehensive Plan over the establishment of the Prairie Oakes Memorial Eco Cemetery.
4. Prairie Oaks Memorial Eco Garden Cemetery - No new information to discuss.
5. Borrowing Capital to Cover 2nd Half of July 2019 Storm Damage Costs- Supervisor Johnson requested consideration of a second loan to cover payment to County so other budgeted activities could be paid for. Motion by Supervisor Bryan, seconded by Supervisor Johnson to approve, motion carried.
6. Clerk Salary Adjustment - The Board conducted a review of the Clerk, and determined an increase in pay to \$13,000/year prorating the \$4,000 balance over the next 7 months. Motion by Supervisor Johnson, 2nd by Supervisor Bryan. Motion carried.
7. Town of Georgetown Fire Coverage – Fire Chief Adams presented a formal proposal for Georgetown to consider a charge of \$1,500 to \$1,600/section, for 21 sections covered for Fire Protection, one year trial period, followed by a five-year contract. Motion by Supervisor Johnson to propose to the Town of Georgetown - \$1600.00/section/year for 1 year trial for Fire Coverage of 21 Sections, 2nd by Supervisor Bryan. Motion carried.
8. Town of Lincoln Fire Coverage Update – no action will occur, removed from discussion for time being.

Next Month Agenda Items: Town of Georgetown Fire Coverage;
Borrow Additional Funds to Cover 2nd Half of Cleanup.

Public Comments: None.

Next Meeting Date and Time: Monday, June 8th, 2020: Supervisor Workshop begins at 6 p.m.;
Regular monthly meeting begins at 7 p.m.

Upcoming Events: Tomorrow's Special Election for the Congressional District 7 Seat.

Adjourn: Citing no further discussion the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Bryan motion, 2nd by Supervisor Johnson, motion carried.

Regular Board meeting of Town of Apple River for May was adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by JoAnn Agne, Clerk