

TOWN OF APPLE RIVER
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, June 14, 2021

All present: Chair Bryan, Supervisor Johnson, Supervisor King, Treasurer Carlson, Clerk Agne, Plan Commission Chair Arduser, Fireman Jim Root, Fire Chief Alec Lloyd-Adams; Lee and Donna Alexander, and Betty Bergstedt.

The June Regular Board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Bryan.

Verification of Public Notice was affirmed by the Clerk.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Supervisor King to approve the agenda. The motion to approve was 2nd by Supervisor Johnson. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the May Meeting were reviewed. Motion by Supervisor Johnson to approve the Meeting minutes as presented, motion 2nd by Supervisor King. Motion carried.

Public Input: Donna and Lee Alexander came to express concern regarding 120th Street. Many boils, loose pavement and holes, with tall grass obstructing vision as you pull out onto the road. Chair Bryan explained that the Board was aware of the poor condition and that it remained a high priority to repair. The County has been notified by the Town to complete this work but has not given a time frame for work to begin.

Clerk's Report: Clerk has completed the ARPA (CoVid Recovery) funds request to the State anticipating approximately \$120,4K funding. Driveway ordinance has been updated, but the Comprehensive Plan regarding cemeteries still needs to be done.

Report by Treasurer: The Treasurer's May Report was presented by Treasurer Carlson. A motion by Supervisor King was made to accept the Treasurer's report as given; motion 2nd by Supervisor Johnson. A voice vote was called. Motion carried.

County Report: None.

Vouchers: Vouchers were reviewed, Chair inquired if there were any questions. Hearing none, Chair called for approval of the vouchers as read. Motion by Supervisor King to approve the vouchers as presented, motion 2nd by Supervisor Johnson. Voice vote called. Motion carried.

Supervisors Reports: Chair Bryan requested to add ARPA funds to the agenda on a regular basis. We have an extended time to spend these funds so be on look for avenues to use the funds for the town. Road maintenance policy was discussed at length. A Disaster Response Plan is in place but is needed to be reviewed and updated. Chair Bryan indicated that Northwest Survey has surveyed the property is and the corners need to be marked. White Ash Lake dredging was postponed until this fall, weed harvesting will begin soon. Audit of the Town books occurred last month and a review of the Fire Department books needs to be completed in July. Develop a team to become aware of grants that may benefit the town.

Committee Reports: Janice Carlson reported that the State initiated a four year maintenance of electors. No new information on the ambulance merger discussion. Shiloh Cemetery – well maintained appearance.

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Department Reports: Chief Adams reported that during the month of May there were 2 car crashes and 1 house fire in the Town of Georgetown. In Apple River, one grass fire and 2 ambulance calls. A training house burn is in the works for Monarch. All pumps tested, and extinguishers.

Highway Department – Extensive discussion regarding the Town’s approach to road maintenance and how to address the current demands. Research to be conducted with more discussion at the July meeting.

Planning Commission – Still need to codify changes to the Driveway Ordinance and to update the Comprehensive Plan regarding the regulation of cemeteries. Meeting scheduled for later this month.

2021 Bridge Project – Town will contribute just over \$40k toward the new bridge (\$400k total) work to begin in August.

Next Month’s Agenda – Discuss bidding out the Brushing of ROWs and Intersections.

Public Comments: Betty Bergstedt stated that the DNR had a grant available for handicap canoe lifts.

Next Meeting Date and Time: Next Regular Monthly Meeting is Monday, July 12th, 2021: Supervisor Workshop begins at 6 p.m.; the regularly scheduled meeting will begin at 7 p.m.

Upcoming Events: August 28th Fire Department Pancake Breakfast will be held.

Adjourn: Citing no further business, the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn. Supervisor King made a motion to adjourn meeting, motion 2nd by Supervisor Johnson. Motion carried. The Meeting of Town of Apple River for July 2021 was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.