

Regular Town Board Meeting of May 26, 2020

Meeting was held at the Rec Building in Sayner. Meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm by Chairman Maines who noted that this meeting was duly called with notice posted at the Town Hall in Sayner, the Sayner Post Office, and the Star Lake Post Office, and notice given to the Vilas County News-Review, The Lakeland Times, and WERL-WRJO Radio Stations of Eagle River, as well as posted on the town website. Supervisor Schmidt, Supervisor Wiggenhauser and Clerk Brooker were present plus 3 other people.

Approve Agenda to be Discussed in an Order:

Supervisor Schmidt made a motion to approve the agenda in any order, Chairman Maines seconded; motion carried.

Citizens Comments and Correspondence:

There were no comments.

New Pump for Diesel Fuel Tank:

Chairman Maines stated that a new FR711 Pump for the Diesel fuel tank was going to cost \$1215.30. Jimmy Mortag said the existing pump was leaking and was he advised that soon the State will be issuing updated guidelines for pumps, so the best option for the town was to go ahead and buy a new pump. The pump will be installed by Hicks. It was decided that the funds would be taken out of the Garage Tools and Supplies – line # 53335. Supervisor Schmidt made a motion to have a new pump installed for the Diesel fuel tank, Supervisor Wiggenhauser seconded; motion carried. Clerk Brooker is to call Hicks to set up installation.

Possible Increase to Cost of Opening Cemetery Plots:

Chairman Maines said he is in favor of raising the cost of both a full burial and a cremation. After discussion Supervisor Schmidt said he would like to get figures first on what the neighboring towns are charging before deciding. Clerk Brooker said she would contact the other towns that have cemeteries in Vilas County. Supervisor Schmidt made a motion to table the item until the next meeting. Supervisor Wiggenhauser seconded; motion carried.

April Resolution Approved by the Electors for the Town of Plum Lake:

Chairman Maines read the Resolution that appeared on the April ballot for Plum Lake voters:

Resolution 2020-002

Resolved, that “We the People” of the Town of Plum Lake, seek to obtain guidance on two issues that affect our elections and our democratic institutions. The two issues we wish to get public input on are regarding corporate personhood rights and the influence of unlimited political contributions and spending. We are asking the electors of the Town of Plum Like if they support the passage of an amendment to the United State Constitution stating:

1. Only human beings are endowed with constitutional right – not corporations, unions, non-profits, or other artificial entities, and
2. Money is not speech, and therefore limiting political contributions and spending is not equivalent to limiting speech.

189 Yes Votes

41 No Votes

Supervisor Schmidt motioned to approve sending a letter from the Town of Plum Lake to our various Representatives. Mike Gerlach provided a draft letter indicating that the electors approved the resolution. Chairman Maines seconded. Supervisor Schmidt aye, Chairman Maines aye, Supervisor Wiggenhauser nay; motion carried. It was Supervisor Schmidt’s idea to include the voting results in the letter to show how overwhelming the people voted for all new buildings.

Building Projects Approved by the Electors for the Town of Plum Lake:

Supervisor Schmidt made a motion to approve the building projects as they were approved by the Electors at the Annual Meeting:

Town Garage: 47 aye, 4 nay **Sand/Salt Shed:** 49 aye, 2 nay **Rec. Building:** 42 aye, 9 nay

Chairman Maines to put it on next meeting's agenda for the next step of the process. Chairman Maines seconded, Supervisor Schmidt aye, Chairman Maines aye, Supervisor Wiggenhauser nay; motion carried.

Bob Munsen asked if town parks were open - Chairman Maines said yes. Mr. Munsen also asked about repairs to Deer Foot Rd. The Chairman said he would look into it.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:32 pm.

A voice recording of this meeting is available in the Town Office.

These minutes were taken at the Regular Town Board Meeting held on the 26th day of May 2020 and were entered in the Record Book by: