TOWN OF EMPIRE

Monthly Meeting October 9, 2024

Supervisor Richard Julka called the monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Empire to order at 7:30 pm on Wednesday, October 09, 2024, at the Empire town hall. Town Chair James was away on travel. Notice and agenda of this meeting was sent to the Town's official newspaper, the Reporter, and a copy is on file with the Town Clerk.

Present at the meeting were Richard Julka and Ted Halbur, Supervisors, Scott Schnettler, Town Clerk, Gail Schindelholz, Treasurer, Mike Morgan, Deputy Clerk, Peter Becker, Permit Insurer, Tom Schindelholz, Trish Schnettler, Jim Daleiden, Nadine Arndt, Mike Tursky, Sandy Surita, Chris Hartwig, and Terry Campbell.

Supervisor Richard Julka announced that a quorum was present.

On a motion by Julka, seconded by Halbur, the minutes of the September 2024 monthly meeting were approved.

The first order of business is review and possibly adopt Resolution 2024-10-01. The Clerk presented Resolution 2024-10-1 designating the National Exchange Bank and Trust of Fond du Lac as the public depository institution for the Town of Empire. The resolution also designated the individuals listed below as the Town Officials authorized to sign for the withdrawal of funds from the designated accounts and authorized the issuance of debit cards in the names of John Meier and Mike Morgan.

General Checking Account (Three signatures required)

James Pierquet, Chairman

Gail Schindelholz, Treasurer

Scott Schnettler, Clerk

Richard Julka, Supervisor

Ted Halbur, Supervisor

Tom Schindelholz, Deputy Treasurer

Michael Morgan, Deputy Clerk

Payroll Account (One signature required)

Scott Schnettler, Clerk

Michael Morgan, Deputy Clerk

Gail Schindelholz, Treasurer

Money Market Account (One signature required)

Scott Schnettler, Clerk

Michael Morgan, Deputy Clerk

Gail Schindelholz, Treasurer

Supervisor Halbur moved to approve Resolution 2024-10-1 as presented by the Clerk. Supervisor Julka seconded. All Board members voted aye and the motion carried.

The second order of business is to review and possibly adopt the Assessor Contract with Bowmar Appraisal Specialists for 2025-2027. The proposed rates 2025 \$15,400; 2026 \$15,800; 2027 \$16,200. Supervisors Julka and Halbur commented on how well the Open Book went just two weeks prior. Clerk Schnettler commented on how well Bomar communicates with the town officials. Deputy Clerk Morgan commented on well the Town has worked with Bowmar for the last two years of appraisals and last three total reevaluations conducted in the township. Supervisor Halbur moved to adopt the Assessor Contract with Bowmar Appraisal Specialists for 2025-2027. Supervisor Julka seconded. All board members were in favor, motion passed.

The next order of business is review and possibly adopt the Wisconsin Uniform Building Code Schedule of Permit Fees for 2023. Do to the Chairmans absence it was decided to table until next month. Supervisor Halbur moved to table the discussion on the building permit fees until next month. Supervisor Julka seconded. All board members were in favor, motion passed.

The next order of business is review and possibly raise the \$500 performance bond. Do to the Chairmans absence it was decided to table until next month. Supervisor Halbur moved to table the discussion on the Performance bond until next month. Supervisor Julka seconded. All board members were in favor, motion passed.

Permit Issuer Becker stated that Commonwealth is no longer doing construction Schumacher is taking over. There are two active projects. The permits will be amended to show the change.

Supervisor Halbur had nothing to report.

Supervisor Julka had nothing to state.

Clerk Schnettler stated that the Town received a check from Fond du Lac County for our culvert inventory. The Hive had submitted an Operator's License. State Road survey is completed.

Deputy Clerk Morgan had nothing to state.

David Prunty and Ashlie Jordan wanted to discuss the property located N5829 Grandview Rd. David intends to purchase the farm land and Ashlie will continue to own the house and property around the house. David will have a three-year easement to use the driveway. David intends to construct his own. The board advised that they get a certified survey and keep in mind the set back required for the machine shed behind the house located on the south side of the property.

Bills were approved and paid.

On a motion by Halbur, seconded by Julka, all in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 8:01p.m.

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Scott Schnettler

Town Clerk

These minutes were taken at a meeting of the Town of Empire Board held on October 9, 2024, and entered in this record book this 18th day of November 2024.

Scott Schnettler

Town Clerk