

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING Tuesday, August 31, 2021 UNAPPROVED

The Special Town Board Meeting was called to Order by Chairman Renz at 5:00pm. Roll Call was established with Seana Frint, Dave Scully and Jim Frint in attendance at the Town Hall. Supervisor Neff was absent. Roads & Property Foreman Jeff Jordheim was also in attendance. Clerk Bourassa verified public notice.

A motion was made (Scully/S.Frint) to approve the Agenda with the change of moving items 5, 6, 7 and 8 to items 3, 4, 5, and 6. Voice vote taken with all members voting yes, motion carried.

A discussion was held regarding the purchase of culverts for Mulligan Creek & Rabbit Hutch.

A motion was made (Scully/J.Frint) to purchase a 36" culvert for Mulligan Creek and two 18" culverts for Rabbit Hutch Rd. Roll call vote taken, with all members voting yes, motion carried.

EMTs Sophie Harr and Kaylee Silverness arrived at 5:10pm.

A discussion was held regarding the hiring of Jeff Stumpf on a part-time basis to operate mower and skidsteer.

A motion was made (Scully/S. Frint) to hire Jeff Stumpf at a rate of \$18/hr for 32 hours per week thru 10/31/2021. Voice vote taken, with all members voting yes, motion carried.

Jeff Jordheim left the meeting at 5:22pm.

A discussion regarding the placement of an ad in the Bayfield County Visitor Guide was held with Supervisor Seana Frint recommending a ¼ page ad at a cost of \$550.

A motion was made (S.Frint/Scully) to place an ad in the Bayfield County Visitor Guide at a cost of \$550. Voice vote taken, with all members voting yes, motion carried.

Resolution R21-03 requiring only 2 signatures on Paycom payroll checks was reviewed. The bank requires this as Paycom is only able to accommodate 2 signatures on the payroll checks but currently all accounts require 3 signatures.

A motion was made (Renz/S.Frint) to adopt Resolution R21-03. Roll call vote taken with all members voting yes, motion carried.

Brett Frierhood, Ambulance Director, arrived at 5:27pm.

Closed Session: As the governing body for the Town of Barnes, the Town Board will entertain a motion to go in and out of Closed Session pursuant to the following:

- a) Wis. Stat § 19.85(f) “considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where par. (b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations.”
- b) State Statute 19.85(g) “Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved.

A motion was made (Renz/S. Frint) to go into closed session at 5:31pm. Roll call vote taken with all members voting yes, motion carried.

The chair asked Brett Frierhood, Kaylee Silverness and Sophie Harr to leave the meeting room at 5:31pm.

The three Ambulance Department employees were individually called into the closed session and then all three joined the board for further discussion.

A motion was made (Scully/S.Frint) to return to open session at 8:20pm. Roll call vote taken with all members voting yes, motion carried.

A motion was made (Renz/Scully) that the Ambulance Director and the 2 EMTs work on revising the EMT job description for the next board meeting. Supervisor Scully said he wants the revised job description to include grant writing.

A motion was made (Renz/Scully) to open the floor for discussion. Voice vote taken, motion carried.

EMTs Harr and Silverness asked for clarification on the revising of the job description.

A motion was made (Renz/Scully) to close the floor for discussion. Voice vote taken, motion carried.

A motion was made (J.Frint/Scully) to adjourn at 8:44pm. Voice vote taken, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm

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