

FELCH TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING February 3, 2014

Supervisor Mattson called to order the meeting of the Felch Township Board at 6:00 p.m.

The pledge of allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Roll call: Present – Mr. Wille, Mrs. Steinbrecher, Mr. Mattson and Mr. Oman. Also present - Mr. Brian Anderson, Mr. Gregory Johnson, Mr. Thomas Harteau, Mr. Brian Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Jason Slagle all residents of Felch Township, and Mr. Henry Wender, Chair of Dickinson County Board. Supervisor Mattson noted that Trustee Mr. Sundholm will be late for tonight's meeting.

The agenda was discussed and amended as necessary; a motion by D. Oman supported by M. Steinbrecher to approve as amended. All voted in favor, opposed none. Motion approved.

Fire Department Report: The fire department did not respond to any calls this past month. Chief Anderson presented a proposed budget for the fire department for the next fiscal year. Chief Anderson also recommended the board appoint Gregory Johnson as the Assistant Fire Chief.

M. Steinbrecher made a motion to appoint Gregory Johnson as Assistant Fire Chief. Motion supported by G. Wille, All voted in favor, none opposed motion was declared approved.

Citizens Time: No one addressed the board.

Review of the January 6th Minutes of the Regular Board meeting Supervisor Mattson asked for discussion or correction. None were offered the Supervisor declared the minutes approved.

D. Oman made a motion to approve the treasures report, supported by G. Wille. All voted in favor- opposed none. Motion approved.

Bills were presented, and noted that the electric bill was double the normal charges for the community center and the recycling center was three times the normal monthly charges. Napa bill is outstanding for parts to repair Twp. pickup truck and fire trucks. M. Steinbrecher made a motion to pay the bills, support G. Wille. All voted in favor, opposed none. Motion approved.

Trustee Kevin Sundholm arrived at 6:15 p.m.

Custodial Report- The floor scrubber water/detergent hose is getting plugged and needs to be cleaned. Brian was directed to take the scrubber to Hiawatha Chef for repair.

Slagle Kitchen Rental Request: Mr. and Mrs. Slagle are working on getting licensed through the Dept of Agriculture to make canned goods for retail sales. They request to rent the townships kitchen. After discussion it is the consensus of the board that approval to rent the kitchen would be granted by the board pending appropriate licensure by the Sagle's, a review of the townships insurance policy to ensure additional costs and or policies would not be needed and acceptable rent per use fee is agreed upon.

Supervisor Mattson stated that the TTAA Chair reminded us that the ambulance millage will be on the ballot in August and the Felch Township board will need to pass a resolution and deliver said resolution

to the County Clerk prior to May 15th, 2014 in order to be on the ballot. Information only no action required at this time.

Citizens Time: Mr. Harteau addressed the board, stating that due to the weather he has not cut any of the trees at the cemetery. Mr. Harteau also commented that he felt the board should give consideration to a raise in the amounts paid to the township trustees and all board members. He complimented on the quality of the board members.

Board Member Privilege:

K. Sundholm provided a print out to board members that he obtained from the MTA that shows what trustees are paid from some of the other townships in the state. R. Mattson asked K. Sundholm to try and obtain the same information from the MTA that would show a comparison of Trustee pay from other townships in our area. Informational only no action was taken or is permitted to be taken at this time.

Supervisor Mattson requested a status update on the townships pickup truck that was obtained from Enbridge Energy. A lively discussion ensued. Oman reported the truck would be returned to the township tomorrow and recommends having it taken to a Chevrolet dealer to have the tire monitoring system repaired and recommends getting a new set of tires on the truck.

D. Oman states that he still has not heard back from the accountant on the social security withholding issue. Also updated- that United Sign was provided a template from which to make the sign for the gate going up to the waste transfer area (dump).

K. Sundholm reported that during the MTA meeting on Jan 20, 2013 the Dickinson County Foundation gave a presentation and that grants are available to the township and he feels that one should be pursued for an AED to be housed in the community center.

With no further business being properly before the board, D. Oman made a motion supported by K. Sundholm to adjourn. All voted in favor, opposed none. Supervisor declared the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Darrell J. Oman,
Felch Township Clerk