

**TOWN OF BLACK BROOK
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
DECEMBER 20, 2018
MEETING MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 p.m. by Chairman Charlie Barney. Supervisor I George Fowler, Supervisor II Erik Henningsgard, Clerk Sally Pickard and Treasurer Cindy Nelson were also present.

The reading of the meeting notice pursuant to Wisconsin Stats. 19.83 was made.

Agenda: A motion by Supervisor Fowler seconded by Supervisor Henningsgard, to approve the agenda as printed. Motion passed unanimously – 3 yes.

Minutes: A motion by Supervisor Henningsgard, seconded by Supervisor Fowler to approve the November, 2018 minutes. Motion passed unanimously – 3 yes.

Vouchers: A motion by Supervisor Fowler, seconded by Supervisor Henningsgard to approve the vouchers and pay the bills. Motion passed unanimously –3 yes.

CLERK'S REPORT:

Completed the audit and everything turned out the same. It was a learning experience, but worked out well. We are gearing up for the upcoming primary in February and we will set the date for the caucus later tonight.

Finished up the taxes and got those sent to the county and they have been sent out.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Beginning bank balance was \$ 113,570.54 with deposits of \$38,656.76 which includes \$39.71 of interest. Checks written were \$10,388.77 as well as \$2,000.59 which was electronically transferred for State and Federal withholding and \$20,000 for new CD, leaving a balance as November 30, 2018 of \$119,837.94; Savings earned .02 interest for a balance of \$30.49; Money Market earned interest of \$153.20 which leaves a balance of \$138,224.16; 6 month CD #30 earned \$13.38 interest with a balance of \$12,131.83; 6 month CD #31 earned \$20.81 interest with a balance of \$20,195.17. Transferred \$20,000 from checking and closed out CD #30 for CD#32 in the amount of \$40,215.98. The total of all accounts as of November 30, 2018 is \$310,440.40.

There are two outstanding check for \$945.57.

We received the \$100 payment from the City of Amery for the road work we did.

Taxes are starting to come in. One batch already completed and another one to deposit tomorrow.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

George Fowler: Nothing

Eric Henningsgard: Nothing

PLANNING COMMISSION: Meeting tonight. Making good progress. Everyone is showing up. Will report more in the old business.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Had to have the Mack truck hauled to Eau Claire – So had to take Kent down to pick it up. We only have a \$500 credit limit so Chairman had to use his personal credit card as the bill was over \$6600. He offered to

increase our limit to \$5000. That wouldn't do any good so raised it to \$10,000.00.

Got a letter from Martha Heiden about road by her house.

Ben Boe said that the blue trailer house is coming out and has another house he wants to move in, but Charlie told him he had to contact our building inspector before he did anything.

Furnace has been repaired. Misunderstanding and he didn't clear the alarm so got a call from the sheriff's dept.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

Update Comprehensive Plan. Had a productive meeting tonight – got through Chapter 6 updating the Comprehensive Plan. John Edstrom has resigned from the Plan Commission. So we will need to find a replacement for him. There is no meeting until February so have some time, but will put it on the agenda for January.

Update regarding billing City of Amery for mowing and Plowing shared roads: This has been paid.

Discussion-Decision regarding billing of residents regarding animal control calls: Clerk sent our current ordinance to Atty Tim Scott to review. He amended Section 1 Article C, which give us the ability to recapture fees. **A motion by Chairman Barney, seconded by Supervisor Fowler to approved Ordinance 2018-1 subject to the changes in the Animal Control Ordinance. Motion passed unanimously. 3 yes.**

Discussion-Decision regarding billing and collecting for unpaid fire calls, both residents and non-residents. We got information from Atty Tim Scott as to the relevant statute. Haven't seen anything from the Deer Park Fire Dept. We need to be sure we get a copy of the initial letter from the fire dept so that we can follow-up and tell them to contact the insurance company. Otherwise, we can't collect on the unpaid bills

Discussion/decision regarding proposals for codification of Town of Black Brook Ordinances: In reviewing the proposal from Atty Alan Harvey. Needing more clarification as to the extra charges. Cost of printing the books is an additional charge. It is also an additional \$575 for an electronic version. There are also charges for mileage and overnight costs and he suggests at least 3 in person conferences and mileage just went up to .58/mile. Atty Tim Scott was going to try and talk with him and get us a more detailed cost. The issue is we haven't budgeted for the additional costs, just the initial cost of \$3,495.00. Supervisor Henningsgard wondered if we could use monies left in the 2018 budget to pay ahead on some of these costs. The other bid was \$6-\$10,000.00. They have an office in Wisconsin, but are actually located out East. So not sure there is much difference, even with the additional charges and Mr Harvey is from Wisconsin. **A Motion by Supervisor Henningsgard seconded by Supervisor Fowler to accept the proposal from Community Code Service and to take \$4000 from our 2018 budget. Motion passed unanimously. 3 yes.**

Update on Deer Park Fire Department Agreement: Letter from Deer Park, clerk will call and get another copy of their letter to make sure we are getting a copy of the initial letter sent out when billing for a fire call. Will talk again next month

NEW BUSINESS:

Set date for Caucus Hearing to be held in January, 2019. Last time we had the caucus before the regular monthly meeting. It seemed to work well. **A motion by Chairman Barney, seconded by Supervisor Henningsgard to hold the 2019 caucus beginning at 7:00 p.m. on January 17, 2019, with the regular monthly meeting to follow. Motion passed unanimously. 3 yes.**

Discussion/Decision regarding pre-pay for road work in 2019. A discussion as to how much money to pre-pay of future blacktopping and what is left in the 2018 budget, **A motion by Chairman Barney, seconded by Supervisor Henningsgard to pay \$45,000 on 2019 road work. Motion passed unanimously. 3 yes.**

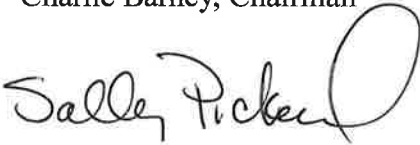
Clerk made comment about a number of large repair bills on the equipment. Have had lots of issues with the Mack truck – First it was at the county shop because the oil pan had rusted out. Apparently, we didn't have a plow package on it, so that was put on. Well, then after the last snow, it wouldn't run only 5 mph so had to have it hauled to Eau Claire. So what happens is the moisture causes issues when the truck isn't run at a high speed so told Kent to take the long way back to the shop. Nov

A Motion by Supervisor Fowler, seconded by Supervisor Henningsgard to adjourn to the January 17, 2019 meeting immediately following the caucus which begins at 7:00 p.m. Motion passed unanimously. 3 yes.

Respectfully submitted,



Charlie Barney, Chairman



Sally Pickard, Clerk