

Town of Whitewater Town Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 13, 2019
6:34pm

Present: Lowell Hagen, Robert Strand, Norman Prusener, Carrie Hintz

Approval of agenda – Norm made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Bob. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes of the November 9, 2019 special town board meeting were reviewed. Norm made a motion to accept the minutes as printed, seconded by Bob. The motion passed unanimously.

The minutes of the November 9, 2019 closed session town board meeting were reviewed. Norm made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Bob. The motion passed unanimously.

Clerk report – Carrie received a letter from John's Disposal stating that the recycling tonnages have increased and our garbage tonnages have decreased this year due to the weekly recycling service.

Treasurer report – Carrie read the account balances. Norm made a motion to accept the Clerk's and Treasurer's reports as presented, seconded by Bob. Motion passed unanimously.

2nd Side Supervisor – None

1st Side Supervisor – Bob went to the last WTA's meeting and they're thinking about using brine instead of salt in the near future and Walworth County would provide it for us to purchase. We might need a tank to hold the brine and sprayers for the trucks. The county will have further meetings about grants and cost in the future. Norm said brine could be an issue with salt in the lake. There could be other options like beet juice. Norm will speak to Lake Management tomorrow night about it.

Chairman – Lowell had a couple of complaints and questions about snow and ice on the roads and took care of it as best he could.

Sheriff's Department Incident Report – Ira Martin read the call summary report.

Whitewater Unified School District update (J. Shaw & M. Sylvester-Knudtson) – Interim District Administrator Dr. Jim Shaw and Matthew Sylvester-Knudtson provided an update on the state of the school district as well as how the dissolution of the Eagle Palmyra School District could affect WUSD.

2020 Town insurance renewal proposal – Carrie said this is the same coverage through Horton Insurance as previous years and the annual premiums stayed about the same. In 2019 they were \$10,589 and in 2020 they'll be \$10,594. Carrie said we also have a worker's comp premium at \$4,051 and then there's an annual audit based upon our claims. Lowell made a motion to approve the 2020 contract as is, seconded by Bob. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of signers for First Citizens State Bank accounts – Carrie spoke with Penny at First Citizens Bank who said the board could approve three positions/titles as signers on our bank accounts rather than individual's names. This would make it easier when there are personnel changes in the future. Norm made a motion to have three signers on all accounts, which are the chair, 2nd side supervisor, and Clerk/Treasurer. Motion seconded by Lowell. Motion passed unanimously.

Other town business – None

Public input – Judy Wildermuth said on Engel Road whenever there is rain, it washes out her driveway and the gravel on the side of the road and it's dangerous. That road is also a bike route. Norm suggested 1 ½" base and compact it as soon as possible.

Board paid bills.

Norm made a motion to adjourn at 7:28pm, seconded by Bob. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Carrie Hintz, Clerk/Treasurer