

MINUTES
TOWN BOARD MEETING
APRIL 18, 2019

Present: Terry Hill, Ruth Janke, Jason Paulson, Tony Compo, Rhonda Peleski, David Pritchett

Absent: Bill Gerard

Chairperson Hill called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Board Room at the Town Hall.

Compo made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous regular meeting. Second by Paulson. Motion carried.

Paulson made a motion to approve the current vouchers in the amount of \$ 49,598.83 (Check #'s 44118 – 44150) to pay payroll and due bills and electronic payments in the amount of \$ 8,305.52. Second by Janke. Motion carried.

March receipts in the amount of \$ 77,126.12 and March fund balances were reviewed.

A petition was received from Hillside Road residents requesting their road be paved. This would be an assessed project. A motion was made by Compo with a second by Janke to accept the petition and order a feasibility study. Motion carried. The study should be ready for the next meeting.

Quotes for this year's dust control have been received. A motion was made by Paulson with a second by Compo to approve the low quote from Knife River Corp. at .91 / gallon for calcium chloride. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Compo with a second by Paulson to authorize Peleski to purchase three, 11 month certificates of deposit in the amount of \$ 100,000 each. Motion carried.

In the interest of public safety a motion was made by Janke with a second by Paulson to donate \$ 150 to the 2019 Esko All Night Graduation Party. Motion carried.

Deputy Clerk Leah Pykkonen was present to update the Board on research done for the redesign of the Town's website. She gave options for different packages from GovOffice. A motion was made by Paulson with a second by Compo to approve Option A which would extend payments over a three year period. Motion carried.

Town engineer Joe Jurewicz was present with his update. The annual MS4 report has been submitted to the MPCA. The plans for East Harney Road are finished. Two manholes from the Cloquet waterline will need to be raised before paving of the railroad crossing can be done.

Zoning Official Dan Stangle gave his monthly report. Five proposals for the comprehensive plan update were received. He has scheduled a meeting with the planning & zoning commission to distribute the proposals and develop a schedule for their review. He would like to see a workplace conduct policy put into place and also inquired about training for situations dealing with difficult or hostile people.

Fire Chief Kyle Gustafson is in the process of obtaining quotes for the replacement of a section of the roof at the fire hall. Discussion included whether to replace the entire section or just a portion as well as whether increasing the R-value will cause problems on the flat roof.

Assistant Road and Utility Supervisor Logan Saline is in the process of getting quotes for a new culvert steamer. The road crew will continue grading as soon as the roads dry up a little more.

MN Power will be at Northridge Park along with Stack Brothers to bring power to the stage.

A motion was made at 7:02 p.m. by Paulson with a second by Compo to close the regular meeting to discuss personnel related matters. Motion carried.

A motion was made at 7:38 by Janke with a second by Paulson to reopen the meeting. Motion carried.

A motion to adjourn was made at 7:39 pm by Compo with a second by Janke. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Peleski, Clerk/Treasurer
Town of Thomson

Terry Hill, Chairperson