## **Town of Hickory Grove**

## Regular Board Meeting September 10, 2024

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Gary Northouse at 6:00 p.m. He noted that meeting notices were posted at the town shop and on the town website.

Present at the meeting were Gary Northouse, Al Wester, Rhonda Gildersleeve. Tim Biba, George Gunderson, Joel Frazier, Gary Klein and Larry Schultz.

Gildersleeve motioned to approve the agenda. Motion seconded by Northouse. Motion carried.

Minutes were passed out and after reading them, Gildersleeve motioned to accept the minutes. Northouse seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Accounts payable were looked at by the board and approved for payment with a motion from Klein and seconded by Gildersleeve. Motion carried.

Expenditures 18092-18113 were reviewed. Northouse motioned to accept the expenditures, seconded by Klein. Motion carried.

Schultz made a comment about a tree leaning over the road on Coon Valley. Suggested the patrolman take a look at it before it falls on the road.

Frazier asked about putting in a culvert in a road leading into his field. Northouse ask him to put up a flag at the location and a board member will take a look at the location.

A concern was voiced about the bridge on Sleepy Hollow Road not having guard rails or even a marker indicating a bridge presence.

The board thought we should budget for new grader tires for 2025. The board thought we would not need to budget as much salt in 2025. There is a lot of salt in storage at the present time.

Building and zoning permits from the county and the building inspector were reviewed by the board for John Hebgen, Martin Sisters, Joshua Baumgertner and Reuben Fisher,

Wester was asked, by a Bethal Cemetery gravesite owner, if they have the ashes put in the headstone if the grave still open for a burial? It was decided at this board meeting that our ordinance states two cremations were allowed per gravesite and it shouldn't matter where they were placed. The two cremains in the headstone would constitute the two cremations allowed for the gravesite.

The board approved the on-line training for the clerk through Wisconsin Towns Association.

Wester made the board aware of the budget deficit and wanted permission to use the CD with \$15,000 and \$50,000 from one other CD, both coming due in October, to cover the deficit. Northouse motioned to use the CDs as needed to cover the deficit. Gildersleeve second the motion, reminding everyone that the budget was done with the CDs in mind. Motion carried.

The board marked the state map indicating the sealcoating projects completed this year. Wester will complete the form and send back to the State.

Motion made by Gildersleeve to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Klein. Meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting set for Tuesday, October 8th, 2024 at 6:00pm Motion to adjourn by Gildersleeve, seconded by Klein. Meeting adjourned.

Respectively Summitted Allen Wester, clerk

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