

**Agenda:**

1. Meeting: Called to order by Chairman Jon Winter at 6:30 pm.
2. Roll Call: Present: Mark Saari, Supervisor Mary Peterson, Supervisor Scott Luostari, Mark Rau, Chairman Jon Winter, Treasurer Tracy Ruppe, and Clerk Ruth Ann Schnepfer.
3. County Supervisor: Scott land development did not meet, slow month. 3<sup>rd</sup> was the transportation meeting no minutes yet, administrative meeting next month, extension committee on the 17<sup>th</sup> no agenda yet. UWS issue- County voted to support the students and faculty 13-3 (some abstained), the city council voted against it. 18<sup>th</sup> is the County Board meeting. Superior days is coming up, most committees are not meeting until March.
4. Town board reports: Car parked on SVL has been moved, Sherriff's office knew about it most likely abandoned for Town to take care of, vehicle is still on Anderson road. Town Board is to call if cars need to be moved, makes it difficult for plowing. It would be nice to have a heads up if the Sherriff's office would let us know when they pick someone up and leave the car. Maybe the Town needs to look into a 48 hour timeline for vehicles being left along roadsides.
5. Approval of minutes: Mary motioned to approve the December 12 regular minutes, Jon seconded, motion carried 6:42 pm
6. Treasurer report: Tracy presented-Scott made a motion to accept the treasures report as presented, Mary seconded, carried 6:43 pm. Question was raised on if the Treasurer is bonded, she is bonded for the amount needed to cover the tax deposits (approx \$300,000).
7. Confirmation of December revenues and expenses: Scott made a motion to approve the December checks 21647 - 21684 + EFT's, Mary seconded, motion carried 6:44 pm.
8. Current bills for payment. Checks 21685-21711 presented for payment approval, as well as the January settlement when they come in. Scott motioned to accept, Mary seconded, motion carried 6:45 pm.
9. Correspondence
  - a) Old Brule heritage newsletter

**Department and Committee Reports**

10. Fire department: Moved as Nova might be coming later. The tool issue needs to be resolved. The issue with the same door being open also needs to be addressed.
11. Town Employees/Roads: Mark R-presented a list of bad driveways (low power lines, trees) and residents plowing snow across the Town roads (18 of them), the guys need to keep bringing these to the board to look into. We have gotten some gravel in. The overtime rate is based on 40 hours worked per week. Mark R does not have a signed employee agreement on file. If Mark R does not want to plow snow over his scheduled hours, maybe the Town needs to find someone else to plow those hours, possibly post or put the sign out looking for a relief driver, the rate of pay is \$12.50/hr. Removing dead end roads that are really private driveways is a long process. The resident needs to request and the board decides. Schiff road is a Town road and needs to be plowed till the end. We need grader tires-Scott made a motion to move \$3000 out of the equipment fund to apply to new tires, Jon seconded, carried 7:17 pm. The guys did a nice job grading the roads in the late season. Camp road garbage truck issue needs to be addressed before spring. Maybe even something could be done till the roads dry up. Waste Management has been known to be uncooperative in the past.
12. Building permits and zoning issues:  
None

Public comment:

Public may comment on agenda items or items that may be added for future town board meeting. The comment for each speaker will be limited to (2) minutes or longer at board discretion. Personal attacks are unacceptable and will be handled appropriately.

None

**Old Business**

13. Pukema & Walsh Roads: ongoing-received another letter from Dick, but more paperwork still needs to be completed.
14. Dumonson property: still waiting on Tom to sign.
15. SVL: paying the bills as they come in, waiting on the State to finalize then we can send the bill to the county for release of their share. There are some problems with the bridge abutments damaging the plow blades. Maybe we can contact Ayers and see if there was a design flaw; the gravel has not yet set up as well.
16. Middle River Properties: ongoing, no updates
17. Planning Commission: ongoing, no updates
18. Equipment: brushing and ditching equipment are 2 problem areas, limited options are available, and which tractor we want to go with. The guys did send another oil sample to be tested for the backhoe but have not gotten and results back yet. Maybe for ditching something with a track might work better. The dump truck will be paid off this year. Maybe we need some legal counsel on the backhoe issue. If we had a good tractor and a mini excavator we would not need a backhoe. We already have a trailer to haul an excavator. Needs more research. Scott looking at both options; of selling our equipment outright or trading it in.
19. Other Old business: none

**New business**

None

Next meeting to be held on Tuesday March 13th, 2018 at 6:30 pm.

Motion to adjourn made by Scott, seconded by Mary, meeting adjourned 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Ruth Ann D Schnepper, Clerk  
2/1/2018

Location: Town Hall, Collection Site, FD, online

These minutes are posted as **unapproved**