

## TOWN OF LAKESIDE

Regular Board Meeting January 12, 2021

### Agenda:

1. Meeting: Called to order by Chairman Scott Luostari at 6:31 pm.
2. Roll Call: Present: Tom Schnepfer, Mark Saari, Nova Nordrum, Tracy Ruppe, Hope Nordrum, Chuck Deye, Kevin Norbie, Supervisor Mary Peterson, Supervisor Jon Winter, Chairman Scott Luostari, Treasurer Vicki Luostari and Clerk Ruth Ann Schnepfer.
3. County Board: Scott-Transportation meeting was an info only meeting, to let everyone know what has been going on for the last few months. There have been issues with ATVs speeding, additional signage to be added. On the 17<sup>th</sup> the Ag agent (Jane) gave an update on agricultural statistics in Douglas County: 4 million in cattle and calves, 906 Ag related jobs and 329 farms. The County has 14 timber sales, 7 of which were already sold. Park fees to remain the same \$25/\$20. Camping revenue has been increasing, (2018=\$38,000, 2019=\$53,000 & 2020=\$86,000). Admin meeting to address capital projects. The courthouse got their first doses of the Moderna vaccine. Corp counsel is working on an ordinance for public assembly-partially due to the FDL "Bowfest" event. Tax collections are going well, the county has a new Deputy Treasurer.
4. Town Board Report: none
5. Approval of Minutes: Jon motioned to approve the December 8 minutes, Mary seconded, carried 6:39 pm.
6. Treasurer report: Vicki presented, Jon motioned to approve the treasurer report, Mary seconded, carried 6:40 pm.
7. Approval of December Bills: Mary motioned to approve the December checks 29981-23030 + EFTs as presented, Jon seconded, carried 6:41 pm.
8. Approval of January bills for payment: Jon motioned to pay the January bills, checks 23034-23066 + January settlements, Mary seconded, carried 6:42 pm.
9. Correspondence:
  - a) Bridge report
  - b) Breakdown of 2020 permits
  - c) Joint Powers- Jon made a motion to accept the 2021 Joint Powers agreement, Mary seconded, carried 6:46 pm.
  - d) Zoning letter-nothing pertaining to the town directly.
  - e) Sheriff's office report letter- 1 in Lakeside
  - f) Wilderness road-request how long the road is, what portion belongs to the Town. Still being discussed outside of the township.

### Department and Committee reports

10. Fire Department: Nova-Pressure washer and fill station issues-the electrician says all outlets work. But when they use the pressure washer in the FD the fuses blow, yet they can take it home and it works fine, so must be the electrical on our end (Scott to look in to). Scott presented the FD information on the SVC fill station they are requesting. The FD needs to review and get back to the board. They have an engine committee, just at the baby stage, also looking at what other equipment they need. They got a recall notice on the tender, but it is just informational at this time. DNR grant-looking into what they need to do to the Enbridge truck to make it a brush truck. Water rescue is still on the list which requires lots of equipment. Ladder and hose testing is needed, was put on hold due to COVID. FIT testing also needs to be done (members are put on a machine, with their masks on to see how well things work, all members are required to be tested). They all need to have yearly physicals before they can have this testing. St Luke's offers services through their occupational therapy department. All members have received their COVID vaccines. Multiple classes are coming up, WITC is trying to accommodate more online/flex training. **Reminder** it is fire season: make sure all chimneys are clean, Fire detectors and CO2 detectors are working properly, have fresh batteries and are cleaned regularly (have a 7–10-year life span). Mark ordered the oil pressure sensor that Rob requested. In 2020 they had 13 med calls, 13 fires and 3 misc. They have had 1 med so far this year.
11. Town Employees and roads: Mark-Talked to Robin and he has no idea who plowed the cemetery, no one should have been in there. Put front tires on the backhoe. New lights were put up over the hall and shop. They are plowing and taking care of roads. Looking at a used pick-up over in Ashland, Scott sent Mary and Jon photos, trucks are not cheap. Already has a V plow, 2013 with 48,000 miles, after much discussion, the board decided to keep looking.
12. Building permits: Shaw-Nathan Shaw on Devries road, issue with another parcel being involved.

## Public Comment

FD member feels like the board does not support them as they reduced their budget by \$5000. Skeleton crew of members trying to keep the FD going. They are a group of volunteers who serve the community and would like to feel supported by the board.

Nova wanted to know if any of the board members had missed the budget meeting if they would have known about the changes.

The FD does not feel it is their responsibility to keep track of their own spending, or where their budget is at. It is expected that the Clerk or Treasurer provide them with that info.

Scott has been talking to other FD chiefs in the area about their departments, we seem

to be in line with the other fire departments. Some departments have more members. Jon mentioned that part of the decision to cut the money out of the FD budget was the result of them carrying a \$39,000 + dollar balance in their savings for many years. FD says they have been saving that for their SVC fill system.

### **Old Business**

13. ATV/UTV ordinance: Scott made one correction to the ordinance from last month. Jon made a motion to approve the ordinance, all Town roads will be open to ATV/UTV effective April 1, 2021, Mary seconded, carried 7:29 pm.

14. Other old business: none

### **New Business**

15. none

Motion to adjourn made by Jon, seconded by Mary, carried 7:30 pm.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday February 9th, 2021, 6:30 pm.

Location: Town Hall,  
Collection Site, online

Respectfully submitted by:  
Ruth Ann Schnepfer, Clerk  
1/28/2021

These minutes are posted as **unapproved**.