Town of Dovre Meeting Minutes for Regular Meeting

Tuesday, March 8, 2022

The Dovre Town Board met at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at the Dovre Town Hall located at 304 25 ½ Street for a Town Board Meeting. Names of people present at the meeting are on file with the Clerk/Treasurer.

1. Chairman Trowbridge called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.
2. Supervisors: Cody Nyhagen – present, Dan North – absent, James Plummer – present, Mitch Hanson – absent (arrived at 6:05 pm), and Chairman Dean Trowbridge – present. Also, Present - Clerk/Treasurer – Louise Cody and Patrolperson – Taylor Whitman.
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Motion by Chairman Trowbridge to approve the agenda. Second by Supervisor Nyhagen. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote.
5. Public Input: Clerk/Treasurer Cody read the email comments/questions sent by Supervisor North.
6. Building Inspector Report: Caleb Trowbridge 209 26 ¾ St. Addition Underground in, slab poured

Jeremiah Shipley 2nd Ave Dwelling underground in

1. Motion by Chairman Trowbridge to approve the February 2, 2022, meeting minutes. Second by Supervisor Plummer. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote.
2. Motion by Chairman Trowbridge to accept the Financial Report. Second by Supervisor Plummer. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote.
3. Motion by Chairman Trowbridge to accept the Treasurer’s Report. Second by Supervisor Plummer. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote.
4. Set Date for Next Meeting: April 12, 2022, Regular Meeting at 6:00
5. Town Patrolperson Report: absent
6. Discussion and possible action on driveway permit: none
7. Reports
   1. Fire and Ambulance Report: The New Auburn Fire Board meeting is next month. There is nothing new to report for the Chetek Fire and Ambulance.
   2. Board member reports

Supervisor Nyhagen – will discuss his report on 29th St later in the agenda.

Supervisor Plummer – had someone question whether they can get a scoop of salt from the Township. It was stated that insignificant amounts are ok.

Supervisor Hanson – was wondering about dates of road bans. Stated he needs to talk to Patrolperson Taylor about the culverts by Mikl’s.

Chairman Trowbridge – stated that the brine tank has a puncture and needs replacement

* 1. Clerk/Treasurer Report: has been getting ready for the Spring Election.

1. Old Business
2. Discussion and possible action American Rescue Plan Act for Towns: Clerk/Treasurer Cody completed the first part of the report but is waiting for the treasury to release the expenditure report for completion.
3. Discussion and possible action on Town of Dovre ATV/UTV routes: tabled but Chairman Trowbridge stated that the Village of New Auburn is looking at grants that will improve the use of ATVs and rec vehicles in the village.
4. Update on Piranha Sands re-evaluation of assessed value: The state mailed the updated values and the new valuations are available to view.
5. New Business
   1. Discussion and possible action on 29th Street LRIP project: An engineer from SEH presented information about the 29th Street LRIP project along with some alternatives. It was discussed that the land purchase price and the cost of moving utilities needs to be determined before proceeding with the project.
   2. Discussion and possible action on Citizens Telephone grant: Supervisor Hanson motions that The Town of Dovre will commit $30,000 to the Citizens Connected fiber project in the Town of Dovre as Aid to Construction. Chairman Trowbridge seconds the motion. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote.
   3. Discussion and possible action on road bans on 27th Street: Chairman Trowbridge is working with the Town’s attorney to get a contract in place for the sawmill to pay for patching, asphalt, etc. in order to open up 27th St for ½ mile during road bans. The representative from the sawmill and the board agreed that a verbal agreement has been made in the meantime for the sawmill to be responsible for the maintenance of that section of 27th St.
   4. Set date for Spring Clean-up: May 21st, 2022, 9am – 5 pm
   5. Set date and time for Board of Review: Open Book May 24th and Board of Review on June 1st 5pm to 7pm
   6. Discussion and possible action on BIL Grant Funding: SEH will look at 5th Ave bridge to see if it qualifies for the BIL funding and will send the information to Clerk/Treasurer Cody
   7. Discussion and possible action on Bid Packets for 2022 road projects: Supervisor Hanson stated the names of the roads for paving, shouldering, and pulverizing. He still needs to discuss what roads need to be graveled with Patrolman Whitman.
   8. Discussion and possible action on Spring ditch spraying: Supervisor Nyhagen motions to approve ditch spraying for 2022 not to exceed $5,000. Chairman Trowbridge seconds the motion.

Roll call vote:

Nyhagen – yes, Plummer – yes, Hanson-yes, Trowbridge – yes Motion carried, unanimous yes vote.

* 1. Set date and time for Annual meeting: April 19th, 2022, 6:00 pm
  2. Discussion and possible action on Village of New Auburn billing and other shared issues: Chairman Trowbridge motions to pay the arrears street light bill from the Village of New Auburn. Supervisor Hanson seconds the motion.

Roll call vote:

Nyhagen – yes, Plummer – yes, Hanson-yes, Trowbridge – yes Motion carried, unanimous yes vote.

Supervisor Hanson asks that Clerk/Treasurer Cody finds out the transportation aids and the property tax value on the Dovre properties on North Street to determine if the Town of Dovre should allow the Village of New Auburn to annex those properties.

1. Other Administrative Matters
   1. Next Meeting Agenda Items: Leave 14a, b; 15a, b, c, f, j
   2. Chairman Trowbridge motions to authorize the payment of bills. Supervisor Nyhagen seconds the motion. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote.
2. Supervisor Nyhagen motions to adjourn at 8:03 pm. Supervisor Hanson seconds. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote.