Town of Dovre Agenda for Regular Meeting

Wednesday, February 15, 2023, 5:00 pm

304 25 ½ Street Chetek, WI 54728

1. Call to Order: Chairman Trowbridge called the meeting to order at 5pm
2. Roll Call: Supervisors: Cody Nyhagen – absent; Dan North – present; James Plummer – present; Mitch Hanson – present and Chairman Dean Trowbridge – present. Also present – Patrolperson Taylor Whitman and interim clerk/treasurer Kelly Hanson. Clerk/Treasurer Louise Cody was absent. Supervisor Nyhagen called Chairman Trowbridge to let him know he could not make it.
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Agenda: Motion by North second by Plummer to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote
5. Public Input
   1. Resident Al Nyhagen asked if the board received an opinion from the attorney about changing the board from 5 members to 3 members and if it written anywhere. Mr. Nyhagen said he was in contact with the Wisconsin Elections Commission and they were curious as to the board changing from 5 to 3 prior to the expiration of the two member’s terms. Chairman Trowbridge states the attorney drafted the ordinance making the assumption the member’s wanted to be done with their current terms this April. The Chairman then stated the attorney clarified if the two members wanted to complete their term, a special meeting could be called to change the ordinance, and since neither board member requested the change, the ordinance was passed as originally written. The email with the opinion from the attorney was sent to the clerk/treasurer to forward to the board members.
6. Building Inspector Report
   1. Shipley, Janota, Trowbridge
7. Approve Minutes of January 10, 2023 meeting minutes: Motion by North second by Trowbridge to approve the minutes as written. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote
8. Financial Report: Motion by Trowbridge second by Plummer to accept the financial report as presented. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote
9. Treasurer’s Report: Motion by North second by Hanson to accept the treasurer’s report as presented. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote
10. Set Date for Next Meeting: Tuesday March 14, 2023 at 5pm
11. Town Patrolperson Report
    1. Fire extinguishers got inspected yesterday, keeping banks pushed back on the roads, 90% of the roads are clean, there are some icy spots that she is keeping an eye on; maintenance update – peterbilt got hydraulic hoses, western star new blades, and the truck got an oil change; the shoulders on the roads are very soft – keep an eye out; update on pickup – has pricing for a crew cab with a long box, it will be a 2024 so won’t be available until fall; received 3 loads of sand today
12. Discussion and possible action on driveway permits: None
13. Reports
    1. Fire and Ambulance Report: Supervisor Plummer states New Auburn has not had a fire meeting; Supervisor Hanson states the Chetek Ambulance had a meeting and are going to set up a meeting with Sumner and Stanley about contributing to the subsidy and wanting to have a written agreement; the commission is in the process of ordering some items that were approved by ARPA funds
    2. Board member reports:
       * 1. Supervisor Nyhagen – absent
         2. Supervisor North – asked for 2022 Piranha royalties amounts from the clerk/treasurer and the amount is $83,691.63; asked about BIL law for grants for local bridges and there was one of Dovre’s on 29th street on the list, but on the county bridge list there was a note stating “do nothing.” BOR training in Eau Claire on April 28th, one board member needs to be trained each year. Interested board members need to contact the clerk/treasurer to attend. Supervisor North will be mailing checks for the clerk/treasurer and hand delivering checks to New Auburn and Chetek school districts
         3. Supervisor Plummer – there are trees on the north side of SS near the railroad tracks that is blocking the view of SS, Chairman Trowbridge will look into it
         4. Supervisor Hanson – nothing
         5. Chairman Trowbridge - nothing
    3. Clerk/Treasurer Report: nothing
14. Old Business
    1. Discussion and possible action on road bans on 27th Street: Board members are reviewing an agreement for approval, which falls in line with a lot of the sand plant road use agreements; Motion by Hanson second by North to approve the attorney forwarding the agreement as written to Ted Strzok for review. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote
    2. Discussion and possible action on Shoulder Mowing Equipment: Patrolperson Whitman talked to Mac, the town can purchase equipment from the county directly without going to auction, the mower she wants is not depreciated out yet so Mac is going to see if it will be available this spring
    3. Discussion and possible action with North Street road agreement with the Village of New Auburn: Chairman Trowbridge states the attorneys are working on two agreements – North Street & County Line road agreement and the street light maintenance agreement; village of New Auburn actively trying to acquire a grant from the state for North Street; there has been some back and forth between the attorneys; an estimate came in for $23,199.50 for the 6/10 of a mile to paid by Dovre; after the board reviewed the agreement, Chairman Trowbridge states the board will not be passing the agreement tonight as some items are omitted and he will follow up with changes
15. New Business
    1. Discussion and possible action on town budget amendment resolutions: tabled until next month
    2. Discussion and possible action on 2023 road project budget: the board and patrolperson discussed possible projects and the 2023 road budget and agreed on pulverizing and culvert work as needed, micropaving, gravel and crack filling. The specific locations will be in the notice for bids. Supervisor North suggested two bids for the Smart Sands haul route
    3. Smart Sands Haul Route Bond Discussion: Supervisor North shares that the original agreement was $24k bond on 26th for 0.15 miles and because of the recent increases in road construction; Supervisor North refigured cost per mile and came to $28,489.02; the bond should be $28,489.02 to cover; Smart Sand will work with their insurance company to update the bond and send an updated copy of the bond to the clerk/treasurer.
16. Other Administrative Matters
    1. Next Meeting Agenda Items
       * 1. Discussion and possible action on road bans on 27th Street
         2. Discussion and possible action on Shoulder Mowing Equipment
         3. Discussion and possible action with North Street road agreement with the Village of New Auburn
         4. Discussion and possible action on town budget amendment resolutions
         5. Discussion and possible action on 2023 road projects
         6. Broadband grant
    2. Authorize Payment of Bills: Motion by Trowbridge second by Hanson to authorize payment of bills. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote
17. Adjournment: Motion by Trowbridge second by Hanson to adjourn at 6:18pm. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote