

New Hartford Township

Monthly Meeting

November 10th, 2021, 7:00pm

Held at New Hartford Town Hall

Attendance: Supervisors Joe Baumgartner, Larry Moldenhauer, Ernest Erdmann

Clerk: Richard Brown Treasurer: Michael Moor Deputy Clerk: Andrea Erdmann

Fire Department: Chief Cody Gehrke, Treasurer Vicki Baumgartner

Visitors: Gene Grant, Bruce Grant, Keith Olson, Doug Goede, Erick Abnet, Jim Riven

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Chairman Baumgartner at 7:01pm. Pledge of allegiance was recited.

Bruce and Gene Grant regarding the land easement. Bruce has contacted Winona County and the township can assist with this issue. Winona said there is no previous easement. MAT lawyer said to get the property surveyed to make sure there are no previous agreements. If the landowners are not able to come to an agreement on an easement the township can put a cartway to the property at the owner's expense. Joe suggested trying to agree on an easement possibly having two landowners' split the easement. Neighbor Doug Goede said his son may be interested in the property. Landowner's will meet and see if they can work something out, if not the township may need to get involved as far as adding a cartway.

Minutes read by Andrea Erdmann. Motion by Joe Baumgartner and Second by Ernest Erdmann to approve the minutes as read. All approved.

Fire Department Report and Related Business:

Brush truck was in today for an oil change. Brush truck will need new tires in the spring. Revisit the issue next spring.

Some EMS truck lights are burnt out. Cody had some extra and was able to fix the lights.

Air bottle paperwork is coming.

December 11 CPR recertification training. Cody will e-mail the bill to the township e-mail.

Fire Department New member Austin Kaufmann.

Inverter on the engine. Seem lights flicker and it has to do with the inverter. Cody to talk with Graf to see if this can be eliminated.

Question from Cody on when the fire department merger meeting will occur. Seven members are currently fire and five are EMS only.

Cody to check the bylaws regarding members that have been inactive for an extended period of time.

Question from Joe on the fittings for the fire department. Cody needs some larger wrenches to change out the fittings. Joe suggested contacting [REDACTED] Jeremy Jorgenson about wrenches. Six inch and 5 inch fittings are what is needed.

Process for billing when there is a fire. Jared the fire marshal is getting the information for Cody.

Cameras to be installed in the fire station and shop so that the buildings do not need to be checked daily. Ernie thinks it would cost quite a bit of money for a modern system to monitor the temperature and the water levels. Also, the shop across the road would also need to be a part of the system. Will discuss more next meeting.

Kwik Trip account. Has the contact information on the account been updated? Andrea to follow up with Vicki.

Old Business:

Motion needed to approve Kate Reece (Myers) as the maintenance person to replace the tasks that Audrey Erdmann was doing. Kate plans to attend the December meeting to discuss job duties. Andrea will have more information at the December meeting. The rental agreement should also be discussed.

Motion made by Ernie Erdmann to approve Kate Myers as the new maintenance person. Second by Larry Moldenhauer. All approved.

Dead End Road Sign Request. Ernie and Willie put up the signs.

Concern about culvert on Lanes Valley. New culverts have been moved there but are not installed yet.

Upgrading Spies Road. Supervisors will be working on this soon.

Bids received to take down old sand shed. \$2,780 Dakota Asphalt \$1500 \$1280 for the dumpster if needed \$2500-3000 Bennet Brothers. Zenke was not interested. Motion from Joe Baumgartner to take Dakota Asphalts bid to tear down the old sand shed for \$1500. Second by Ernie Erdmann.

Furnaces were checked. Furnaces in the shop need to be replaced. Being it is not a house we could get through to spring, but we should plan to replace them. Ernie will see about getting some prices for new furnaces.

Replacing the garage door on the fire station. Price increase from \$3,670.82 to \$3,990.92 from City Door. This is still the cheapest bid with Overhead Door bidding \$4,883.20. Question from Joe on quote

from City Door on how long it would be good for. Quote should still be good when the doors arrive.
Motion from Ernie Erdmann to accept the new bid from City Door second by Joe Baumgartner.

Talked about what would be needed from the township if a development were put in. What is required of a cartway if the township has to be involved.

Use of ARPA funds, well, additional computers

Well sample for nitrates and bacteria. Joe is getting a sample.

New Business:

Motion from Ernie to transfer \$20,000 road and bridge funds to the general fund. Second from Joe. All approved.

Motion to Approve Claims motion by Ernie Erdmann and Second by Larry Moldenhauer all approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Today's balance \$177,217.91 spent \$4,783.11 balance \$172,434.80 last year \$118,066.15

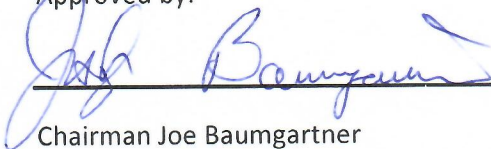
ARPA funds are not included in the treasurer's report. Interest for ARPA funds is being put into the general fund.

Motion to adjourn by Joe Baumgartner second by Ernie Erdmann at 9:15pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea Erdmann 011/10/21

Approved by:



Chairman Joe Baumgartner

Witnessed:



Clerk Richard Brown