Town of Sampson Regular Board Meeting Monday, September 13th 2021

The **regular board meeting** of the Town of Sampson was held on **Monday**, **September 13**th **2021.** The meeting was held at the Sampson Town Hall. Notices were posted at the Town Hall, the Town web site and the Bloomer Advance. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairperson Jerabek who led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisors King, Butterfield and Road Patrolman Richardson were present. Clerk/Treasurer Darla Butterfield was present also. There were 2 guests in attendance.

Board members had received copies of the regular **Board meeting minutes** held on **Monday**, **August 2**nd. A Motion was made by Supervisor King to approve the minutes. Supervisor Butterfield seconded the motion and all present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Clerk/Treasurer Darla Butterfield gave the **Treasurer's report**. A Motion was made by Supervisor Butterfield to approve the report. Supervisor King seconded the motion and all present voted Aye. Motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Pat Kelly and Kathy Kelly, from the Lower Long Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District, presented the board with three resolutions that the district recently passed. They were Resolution 1-2021 which stated the location of 146th Street noting that it stopped short of the shore of Herde Lake, Resolution 2-2021 which proposed a reduction in speed to 35 mph on State Highway 40 from 126th Street to the northern boundary of Morris Erickson County Park, and Resolution 3-2021 which asked the Town of Sampson to not improve Breezy Point Landing for trailered boat launching. This site is located in the Long Lake estates plat on 145th Street. In response, the Town Board has already agreed to improve the Breezy Point Landing for carry in access only. Also, the Town Board will look into purchasing some flashing portable speed limit signs to place at strategic locations on Highway 40.

OLD BUSINESS:

Town Road work was discussed. All town roads will be double mowed before winter. Ebens, South Shattuck, and Townline roads have been graded and graveled. O'Neil Flowage road has been widened, ditched, and graveled as needed. Maintenance on the Town Grader was finished by the Chippewa County Highway Department. All equipment has now been thoroughly serviced and is ready to go for winter road maintenance. The town's largest culvert on 182nd street was found to be half plugged by beaver causing high water on Foster Creek Road. Rick Plummer was issued a permit, and has been successful in trapping beaver in the area to help mitigate the high water issue on the area roads. Breezy Point boat landing needs to be cleaned up further. Signs for Fire numbers and Breezy Point landing access have been ordered. Delmore Consulting comprehensive road management has been contracted to do the fall road inspection. More new style fire number signs will be put up on October 4th. This is a continuing project that will eventually see all old style fire numbers replaced. Crack

seal was finished by Superior Sealers. Four trees by the salt shed were removed by Cloudview Tree Care that were causing the shed roof to deteriorate.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 6-2021 was considered in response to a petition that the Town received from the Kracum trust asking for the discontinuance of that portion of 146th Street lying easterly and northerly of 145th Street in the Town of Sampson. A motion was made by Supervisor King to approve the resolution, Supervisor Butterfield seconded the motion, and all present voted aye. Motion carried. The resolution set a special meeting for a public hearing on the petition as required by law. That meeting will be held on November 1st at 6 p.m. at which time the Board will hear public comment for and against granting the petition to abandon. Upon conclusion of the hearing, the Board will decide whether or not to grant the petition based on the evidence presented by the public, the Department of Natural Resources, and the Petitioner. The Clerk will file the required Lis Pendens with the Register of Deeds Office and also ensure that the appropriate Class 3 notice of the public hearing is published as required by law.

The proposed Chippewa Human Association contract was decided to not be necessary. We have been successful in rehoming stray animals. A motion was made by Supervisor King to not contract with the Association at this time, Supervisor Butterfield seconded the motion, and all present voted aye. Motion carried.

Operator License renewal for Erica Hobeck was presented. A motion was made by Supervisor King to approve, Supervisor Butterfield seconded the motion, and all present voted aye. Motion carried.

Advertising for bids on blacktop patching over this year's culvert replacements was discussed. No bids were received from the latest advertisement. This is the second failed advertisement for bids on this project. Road Patrolman Richardson was told to contact potential bidders to see if any could be found to do the job. Senn Blacktop will be contacted to see if they will repair a deteriorated driveway entrance onto East Axehandle Road that must be completed before winter due to safety issues.

A report was given by Darla Butterfield on the Chippewa County Parks and Recreation 10-year plan, 2014-2024, for Morris Erickson Park and Round Lake Park. Morrison Erickson Park completed projects were as follows- 2016 new well and water treatment system, 2019 new playground equipment, 2020 new bathroom. Round Lake Park: No improvements so far. The board would like to contact Buck Steele to advocate for Round Lake Park for future improvements that include a new well/water treatment system and new playground equipment.

Darla Butterfield reported on problems with data recording of cemetery lots purchased/owned and burials being done at Tillenghast Cemetery. The Board will look into creating an ordinance to deal with these issues.

Tillinghast Cemetery Fall cleanup date was set for 8:00 am Thursday September 23, 2021.

Budget Workshop date was set for 9:00 am Thursday October 21, 2021.

Chairperson Jim Jerabek and Clerk/Treasurer Darla Butterfield will be attending the WTA Fall Workshop webinar September 27-30 at the Sampson Town Hall.

Chairperson Jim Jerabek and Clerk/Treasurer Darla Butterfield will be attending the WTA Conference October 10-12 at the Wisconsin Dells.

From this point forward, Town of Sampson Board meetings will be held on the second Monday of the month. This will allow the Treasurer to properly close the books at the end of the month and have time to prepare the monthly reports. It was noted that many area townships have their meetings on the second or third weeks of the month for that same reason.

October agenda items were discussed:

- Blacktop patch bids
- Ordinance for Tillinghast cemetery
- Special Meeting Notice November 1, 2021 to vacate a portion of 146th St.
- Trick or Treat at Sampson Town Hall for area children

OTHER BUSINESS:

The next Board meeting will be on Thursday October 7th starting at 6:00 p.m.

Vouchers were then presented and audited. Supervisor King made a motion to approve vouchers 20394-20418, 20425-20429 plus four electronic transfers, Supervisor Butterfield seconded the motion, and all present voted aye. Motion carried.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Supervisor King to **adjourn the meeting**. Supervisor Butterfield seconded the motion. All voted in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

Darla Butterfield Clerk/Treasurer