Town of Sampson Meeting Minutes for Special Meeting

Monday, October 9, 2023

The Sampson Town Board met at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, October 9, 2023, at the Sampson Town Hall located at 10770 270th Ave, New Auburn for a Town Board Meeting. Meeting notice was posted at three locations. The names of people present at the meeting are on file with the Clerk/Treasurer.

1. Chairperson Butterfield called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Supervisors: Jack Christenson – present, Kevin Haller – present, and Chairperson Darla Butterfield – present. Also, Present – Clerk/Treasurer– Louise Cody and Patrolperson – Randy Sarauer
4. Motion by Supervisor Haller to approve the agenda. Second by Supervisor Christenson. Motion carried, 3-0.
5. Public Comment Jan Whitman on 269th Ave stated that the plow pushes snow against the fence and digs up gravel every winter. She would like the township to consider placing snow in a different spot.
6. Motion by Supervisor Christenson to approve the minutes of the September 11th, 2023, regular meeting, October 3rd special meeting. Second by Supervisor Haller, Motion carried, 3-0.
7. Motion by Supervisor Haller to accept the financial report as presented. Second by Supervisor Christenson. Motion carried, 3-0.
8. Motion by Supervisor Haller to accept the treasurer’s report as presented. Second by Supervisor Christenson. Motion carried, 3-0.
9. Next meeting is November 13th, 2023, following the Budget Hearing at 6:00
10. a. Clerk/Treasurer report – Clerk/Treasurer Cody states she is working on the budget.

b. Patrolman report – Patrolperson Sarauer states that the county spray patched the bridge as requested. The mower is fixed on the tractor and Mary has been mowing and has completed the first pass. Fahrner does not recommend mircosealing Sampson roads. Randy has been adding gravel to low shoulders. He estimated he will need 39 weight limit signs to cover Hwy M, Hwy 40, and Hwy F or 50 signs to cover every road. The cost per sign is approximately $50-$60. Motion by Supervisor Haller to authorize the purchase of weight limit signs not to exceed $2500. Second by Supervisor Christenson. Motion carried, 3-0. The culvert on 117th needs to be fixed and Randy will take care of it. He would also like to try rubber blades for plowing this year. Motion by Supervisor Christenson to purchase 3 sets of rubber blades for the plow. Second by Supervisor Haller. Motion carried, 3-0. Patrolman Sarauer plans on taking vacation Nov 2nd – 7th and the week of deer hunting. He will be available for snow plowing if needed.

1. Old Business
   1. Discussion and possible action on 2023/2024 road work will be discussed at the October 12th meeting. The township is looking at wedging and chip sealing.
   2. Motion by Supervisor Christenson to purchase a mower with blower and rear suspension seat and other approved accessories from Hometown Repair with a cost of $24,963.05. Second by Supervisor Haller. Motion carried, 3-0.
   3. Motion by Supervisor Christenson to approve the hiring of Stanley Sarauer for part time patrolperson. Second by Supervisor Haller. Motion carried, 3-0
2. New Business
   1. The Chippewa County Unit Meeting is at Sampson Townhall October 24th at 7:00 pm. Delmore is sponsoring the snacks.
   2. Motion by Supervisor Christenson to approve Resolution 3-2023 to amend Resolution 1-2022 The Urban Forestry Grant. Second by Supervisor Haller. Motion carried, 3-0. The grant is a 50-50 reimbursement up to $5000 for the Tillinghast Cemetery.
3. Other Administrative Matters
   1. Next meeting agenda will include NA Fire dry hydrants and boat landing maintenance and clearing, sex offender ordinance, and collateralization agreement with Security bank, and budget approval.
   2. Motion by Supervisor Christenson to authorize the payment of bills. Second by Supervisor Haller. Motion carried, 3-0.
4. Motion by Supervisor Haller to adjourn at 7:36 pm. Second by Supervisor Christenson. Motion carried, 3-0.