

**FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 14, 2022 FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP HALL**

Called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor, S. Nelson, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Members present: S. Nelson, D. Brown, A Wagner, J. Church
Members ZOOM: R. Scott, Charolette County, Florida
Members absent: NONE

4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

5. AGENDA

Motion, A. Wagner, support J. Church CARRIED to approve the Agenda.

6. MINUTES

- a. Township Board Regular Meeting Minutes January 10, 2022

Motion, A. Wagner, support, J. Church CARRIED, to accept the Township Board Regular meeting minutes for January 10, 2022

7. REPORTS

The following reports were acknowledged:

- a. Financial Reports for January 2022. The Treasurer and Clerk were in balance with the bank.
- b. Assessors Report for January, 2022.

8. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Ford River Planning Commission Meeting Minutes January 2022
- b. Delta Solid Waste Management Authority Meeting minutes Dec. 28, 2021

9. FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

The following report was acknowledged:

- a. Fireman's Report for January 2022- Maintenance Reports
- b. Fireman's Annual report 2021

Brian Nelson, Fire Chief, was present.

Motion, A. Wagner, support, D. Brown, CARRIED, to accept the fire report for January 2022 and the Annual report for 2021.

10. WATER SYSTEM BUSINESS

The following reports were acknowledged:

- a. Water system report

Motion, A. Wagner, support, J. Church, CARRIED, to accept the Water System report.

- b. Water Operator Mike Smith was present and gave updates.
- c. Billing Register January 2022.
- d. Water upgrades. TABLED.

- e. DWRP Water Operator M. Smith has filed the necessary paperwork for 1.1 million dollar grant for water update projects and loan forgiveness. There will be a phone conference coming and more updates. Clerk will leave this on agenda going forward.
- f. Hook up policy fee. TABLED
- g. Bradfield invoice. Clerk presented an invoice for repairs that were made to water lines which were not the Townships responsibility. The work was ordered by Water Operator, M. Rose therefore the Township was billed.

Motion, A. Wagner, support D. Brown, CARRIED, to pay the Bradfield invoice for \$8500.00.

- h. ETNA Quote Water Operator M. Smith needs meters and this company has them in stock. He indicated he could probably get them a little cheaper but others don't have them in stock.

Motion, A.Wagner, support J. Church CARRIED, to purchase 8 meters from ETNA Supply for 121.00 each.

- i. Water operator position. There are concerns with the health and welfare of our system. Currently M. Rose is our water Operator. Because of the testing not being done correctly or timely, the equipment not functioning properly and the operator not communicating with the Board for 2 ½ months, we will look into the possibility of making changes. Supervisor will look into this with the Attorney and MTA. We also need to update emergency call out phone numbers.

Motion, A. Wagner, support, J. Church, CARRIED to update the dialer to people that are available at this time.

11. ZONING ADMINISTRATOR BUSINESS

- a. Zoning Administrator report/updates January 2022.

Motion, A. Wagner, support J. Church, CARRIED, to accept the Zoning report.

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Audit. Still nothing from Auditor. Supervisor will move forward with Attorney.
- b. Marijuana. Public meeting is set for February.
- c. Easement for River Cemetery. All parties agree that the Agreement from Joan Martin is what the Township and Ms. Martin agreed on even though neither party has the original nor was it recorded.

Motion, A. Wagner, support, D. Brown, CARRIED, that the Township Board recognizes the agreement The Township and J. Martin as the agreement of record.

Roll call vote:

AYES:

- A. Wagner
- J. Church
- D. Brown
- S. Nelson

NAYS: None

ABSENT: R. Scott

Motion, A. Wagner, support, D. Brown, CARRIED, That the Township, through our Attorney, file the affidavit of loss or proper affidavit in order to record the agreement that all parties agree was signed by Joan Martin.

Roll call vote:

AYES:

- A. Wagner
- J. Church
- D. Brown
- S. Nelson

NAYS: None

ABSENT: R. Scott

- d. Accountant for next Audit.

Motion, D. Brown, support, J. Church, CARRIED to hire Anderson, Tackman for the next audit for between \$10,000.00 and \$14,000.00.

- e. Commercial outdoor storage. TABLED.
- f. Charter Township. TABLED.
- g. Budget meeting scheduled for February 22., 2022.
- h. DNR we can buy the river property for \$8,500.00. TABLED.

13. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Payment of bills:
 - i. GF Total: \$25,783.06
 - ii. WF Total: \$3,762.18
 - iii. LF Total: \$158.10

Motion, J. Church, support, S. Nelson, CARRIED to pay the bills \$25,783.06 from the General fund, \$3,762.18 from the Water fund and \$158.10 from the Liquor fund

- b. HIGHLINE internet. A presentation was given by a representative of Highline.
- c. Historical Society

Motion, A. Wagner, support, J. Church, CARRIED to give Historical documents to the Delta County Historical Society for safekeeping.

- d. Computers

Motion, A. Wagner, support, J. Church CARRIED, to purchase five new computers, monitors and docking stations for up to \$6,000.00.

- e. Office furniture

Motion, J. Church, support, A. Wagner, CARRIED to purchase new office furniture for up to \$9900.00

f. Re-Model bids

Motion, J. Church, support, A. Wagner, CARRIED to seek bids for re-model of Township office.

g. Recreation grant

14. PUBLIC AND BOARD COMMENT

B.McAdam asked that when we have information for the public, we need to make sure it gets on facebook and website. Clerk said she would forward to Brenda.

S. McAdam wants to make sure we are able to sustain a new building when we move forward with the investment.

C.Detiege would like to talk about updating the Zoning Ordinance.

Motion, A. Wagner, Support, J. Church, CARRIED to adjourn at 9:01 pm

Debra Brown, Clerk 3-14-2022