

Ford River Township Regular Board Meeting

Minutes May 13th, 2019 AMENDED

1. Call Meeting to Order

- a. R. Fountaine Called meeting to order 7:00pm

2. Pledge of Allegiance

- a. Pledge of Allegiance Lead by R. Fountaine

3. Roll Call

- a. Present : G. Boudreau, A. Wagner, R. Fountaine, D. Wellman, R. Zoch
- b. Absent: None

4. Public Comment on agenda items

- a. Brian Nelson Cemetery Memorial Day, R. Fountaine will address under Cemetery New Business.
- b. R. Fountaine to add under New Business 12g. Lawnmower/ cutting, 12h. Clerk Resignation, 12i. City Agreement and 12b. Add water heater to furnace. Under Unfinished Business Chart of Accounts should have remained on Agenda.

5. Approval of Agenda

- a. Motion to accept the Agenda with added changes from above comment G. Boudreau, Second R. Fountaine, Motion & Support, Agenda passes.

6. Approval Minutes

- a. Motion to accept the minutes April 2019 G. Boudreau, Second A. Wagner, Motion & Support Minutes accepted.
- b. Motion to Accept the minutes March 2019 Minutes with date change G. Boudreau, Second R. Zoch, Motion & Support Minutes accepted.

7. Acknowledgement of Reports

- a. Financial Reports for April 2019
 - i. Motion G. Boudreau, Second R. Zoch Carried to Approve
- b. Zoning Administrator Report 2019
 - i. Kenneth Penokie appealed 10 acre woods permit granted to Darryl Shann on 02-08-2019. R. Fountaine is working with Attorney and there

was a hearing and case was dismissed. A full report will be in next month's report.

- c. Assessor Report April 2019
 - i. Motion G. Boudreau, Second A. Wagner, Carried to Approve

8. Consent Agenda

- a. FR Planning commission meeting minutes April 2019
- b. Delta Solid Waste Management Authority March 2019
- c. UPPCO Hearing May 20th 2019
- d. Besse Tree
- e. Delta County Twp Association April 25th 2019
- f. Upper Peninsula History Conference

9. Fire Department Business

- a. **Fire Reports**
 - i. Motion G. Boudreau, Second A. Wagner, Carried to Approve
- b. Fire Chief Update
 - i. Minor Maintenance and Billing updates, and Gratitude for support for the pancake breakfast
- c. Fire Calls
 - i. 2 Billable Last Month
- d. MFR
 - i. 14 Calls in April 36 Fiscal Year

10. Water System

- a. Water System Report
 - i. Motion R. Fountaine, Second G. Boudreau, Carried to Approve
- b. Billing Register
 - i. R. Zoch to Re-check billing and rebill on next months, issue with meter reads and/or software.
 - 1. Motion to accept Billing Register with re-check G. Boudreau, second R. Fountaine, Carried to Accept the Billing Register.
- c. White Water Associate Testing Estimate

- i. Motion to change water testing vendor G. Boudreau, second A. Wagner,
Carried to approve new testing with increase.

11. Unfinished Business

- a. Audit Update
 - i. Unfinished
- b. UPPCO- Grand Franchise
 - i. Motion G. Boudreau, Second A. Wagner, Carried to Approve
 - 1. Roll Call Vote
 - a. Ayes: G. Boudreau, A. Wagner, R. Fountaine, D. Wellman,
R. Zoch
 - b. Nays: None
- c. Chart of Account
 - i. To be worked on with new Clerk

12. New Business

- a. Payment of Bills
 - i. Motion G. Boudreau, second R. Fountaine, Carried to pay bills
- b. Furnace/Water Heater
 - i. Replacement of furnace was made without board approval due to cost of fixing was almost as much as replacing and the hope was to get in tin before elections new furnace cost \$2,981.00. The other furnace is fine okay.
 - ii. At the time of replacing the furnace the maintenance man also noticed the water heater was in need of replacing we will get estimates for replacement.
 - iii. The Clerk also brought up replacing the faucet in the kitchen
- c. Bergman Invoice
 - i. Invoice brought up for high cost and how to be expensed
- d. Roads
 - i. Dust Control

1. *MOTION FOR CONTINUOUS APPLICATION OF DUST CONTROL FOR \$6000.00. COST PER GALLON .345*

G. Boudreau, Second A. Wagner, Carried to Approve.

e. Cemetery

- i. Further discussion with Russ for next meeting per bought burial rights
- ii. Replacing the flag

f. Penozza Pest Control

- i. Motion to approve same price as last year but not to exceed no more than 10% as same service as last year A. Wagner, Second, G. Boudreau, Carried to Approve

g. Lawnmower/Grass Cutting

- i. Northgate \$4,750.00 & 4 Seasons \$5,160.00 Both Zero Turn. After further discussion board decided to get quotes on hiring a lawn cutting service and comparing the pros and cons.

h. Clerk Resignation

- i. Motion R. Fountaine, Second G. Boudreau Carried to Accept the Resignation
- ii. Ad in the newspaper Resume cutoff May 24th, Interviews May 29th

i. City Agreement

- i. No documents found of an electrical agreement with the City of Escanaba

13. Board & Public Comment

- a. Teresa Nelson said they received the *USDA* funding for the Fire Signs and needs to discuss further with R. Fountaine. A. Wagner *STATED CLERK MENTIONED SHE WAS NOT ABLE TO GET AHOLD OF THE POINT OF CONTACT AT BRIGHTHOUSE THAT MAILED A LETTER IN JAN, 2019 STATING PENSION ACCOUNT WAS BEING CONSIDERED ABANDONED DUE TO NO DEPOSITS BEING MADE. A. WAGNER SAW THE LETTER AND EMAILED THE PERSON AS A FOLLOW UP AND WAS RESPONDED TO THE SAME DAY. A. WAGNER GOT CONFIRMATION THAT THE ACCOUNT HAD BEEN MOVED OUT OF ABANDONMENT.* Dennis Jahnke wanted to thank the people who bake the

goods for the Pancake Breakfast. Debbi Brown suggestion to preprint tickets for pancake breakfast.

14. Adjournment of Meeting

- a. Motion to adjourn G. Boudreau, Second R. Fountaine, Motion and Support, meeting closes at 8:32 pm

Clerk: *Debbi Brown*

Approval: *6-12-19*