

FEBRUARY 14, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Hiles Town Board was called to order at 7 p.m. Present: Lovrine, Bukovic, Tauer, Clerk/Treasurer, Votis and deputy Micolichck. Agenda read motion to accept Bukovic. Second, Lovrine. Vote all aye. Motion carried. Minutes read, motion to approve Lovrine, second, Bukovic. Vote all aye, motion carried. Financial report given. **FAHRNER ASPHALT PROPOSAL**, presented by Bob Machon. After discussion motion by Lovrine to accept the proposal from Fahrner not to exceed \$14,998.50. Second Bukovic. Vote all aye motion carried. **FORESTER MUELLER DAM-** The need to contract for an engineer to inspect the dam per the DNR was discussed there are five things that need to be done. A contract was received from Ayers in the amount of \$12,600.00. Motion by Lovrine to accept the contract from Ayers to retain Peter Haug to inspect the Forester Mueller Dam. Second Bukovic. Vote all aye. Motion carried. Tauer stated that the DNR will be emailing three pages of questions they want answered. Clerk will get this and relay to Tauer. He also mentioned that there will be a highway safety days seminar in Crandon on May 3rd and board agreed to require our road crew attend. Clerk Votis gave report on auditors visit. They had very big concern with Volunteer Funds that both Fire Stations did not have very good records. Station A had only 1 receipt for the 50 checks they wrote. Bukovic and clerk helped Amber Wilson get all but 4-5 five of them. Station B was also missing some receipts. Auditor did say that if these receipts could not be accounted for that the board should freeze these accounts. Clerk will be meeting with one of the auditors on Feb 22nd at 7 am to show proof of these receipts. Clerk asked the board to require that both stations submit copies of bank statement , all receipts (money taken in) and invoices of purchases with check number on them. Head auditor John Trautman also stated that the board needs to do a yearly review of all wages and salaries and put in the minutes . He also expressed concerns on the amount of money the town has in Associated Bank. We need to find out how much is protected by the bank and possibly move some of our money. When the audit and Financial C report is completed, John will come to a meeting and report all his findings to the board. Lastly, clerk and deputy clerk will attend Dist VIII clerks meeting in Eagle River on March 16, 2018. Bukovic also stated that he was here talking with the auditors. Lovrine reported on Frontier cell tower and will contact again in March. Mark Ferris gave update on the Hiles Plan Committee and shared concerns on Bill 789 on clean- up of shore lands. Asked board to call in support on this. Room Tax collections are up 25%. He also stated that the committee is looking into the future of what could be done with the building on Experimental Road owned by the Forest Service. Sign brightness was turned down 10%. Still an issue! Tauer brought up the need to do something about the water at the shop and town hall. After discussion, motion was made by Bukovic to go ahead and have iron and softener installed in the shop and hall as appropriate at a cost of \$6,201.00. Second Tauer. Vote all aye. Motion carried. **CITIZENS INPUT:** Tom Carlstedt reported that Sonic Net wants to install a tower on town property by the station B fire dept. He was told to get more information on this. He also asked that an asphalt apron be put around the new addition. Board told him if money was available this may be able to get done, but the town roads is a priority. He asked the clerk to send him a monthly expense report for station B to him each month. **READING AND APPROVAL TO PAY VOUCHERS:** Motion by Lovrine to pay vouchers #19079-#19115. Second Bukovic. Vote all aye. Motion carried. Motion to adjourn Bukovic. Second Tauer. Vote all aye. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.