

TOWN OF DEERFIELD

MONTHLY MEETING, MONDAY, JULY 8, 2024, 7:00 P.M., DCC CENETER, 10 LIBERTY STREET

MIKE SCHLOBOHM CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER WITH ALL OFFICERS IN ATTENDENCE.

ON A MOTION BY RANDY BEHLKE, SECONDED BY DAN KELLY, THE JULY MEETING AGENDA WAS APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED.

ON A MOTION BY RANDY BEHLKE, SECONDED BY KATIE MICHEL, THE JUNE MEETING MINUTES WERE APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE LEASING OF TOWN PROPERTY AT THE BRUSH SITE BY GREEN BOX FOR A PRIVATELY OWNED COMPOSTING BUSINESS. AFTER DISCUSSING THE PROS AND CONS REGARDING THE BUSINESS LEASING THE TOWN LAND A MOTION WAS MADE BY MIKE SCHLOBOHM, SECONDED BY DAN KELLY TO NOT LEASE ANY PART OF THE CURRENT TOWN BRUSH SITE TO GREEN BOX. MOTION CARRIED.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE CURRENT PROJECT BY WE ENERGIES TO UPGRADE THE ELECTRICAL SERVICE FOR TOWN HOMEOWNERS TO HOPEFULLY RECTIFY THE SITUATION OF POWER OUTAGES AND SURGES. IT WAS BROUGHT TO THE TOWN'S ATTENTION THAT THE TREE TRIMMING SERVICE WAS NOT FOLLOWING BEST PRACTICES IN THE TRIMMING OF TREES WITHIN THE ELECTRICAL COMPANY'S RIGHT OF WAY. THIS COULD BE DETRIMENTAL TO THE REMAINING PORTION OF THE TREE TO SURVIVE. THE TOWN DECIDED THAT AN ORDINACE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AND POTENTIALLY ADOPTED TO DIRECT TREE TRIMMING SERVICES AS TO WHAT WAS EXPECTED OF THEM. THE TOWN WOULD AGAIN LOOK AT THIS MATTER AT THE AUGUST MEETING.

THE TOWN EMPLOYEES ARE WORKING WITH CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS TO FUND THE ROAD DAMAGE REPAIRS MADE BY CHARTER'S SUBCONTRACTORS DURING THE INSTALLATION OF CABLE FOR THE RURAL BROADBAND EXPANSION PROJECT.

THE TOWN IS ADDRESSING CONCERNS BY RESIDENTS TO ADD SAND TO NESHEIM ROAD AS THE ROAD IS STILL HAVING OIL PROBLEMS SURFACING EVEN THOUGH THE PROJECT IS ONE YEAR OLD.

DISCUSSION CENTERED ON THE TOTAL COST OF THE NEW PATROL TRUCK WHICH IS CURRENTLY ESTIMATED TO BE IN THE RANGE OF \$260,000.00 OR MORE. THE TOWN DECIDED TO ADD AUTOMATIC CHAINS TO THE SPECIFICATIONS AT A COST OF \$3500.00.

ON A MOTION BY NICK BRATTLIE, SECONDED BY KATIE MICHEL, THE BOARD APPROVED THE TREASURER'S REPORT AND A GENERAL FUND VOUCHER OF \$43,224.70. MOTION CARRIED.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD REGARDING THE FINANCING OF VARIOUS TOWN PROJECTS. THE TOWN IS REQUIRED TO PAY THE INTEREST RATE OF 6.5%. FOR ANY AND ALL LOANS WHICH WOULD INCLUDE THE NEW PATROL TRUCK AT \$230,000.00 AND ROAD PROJECTS AT APPROXIMATELY \$811,000.00.

DAN KELLY IS DESIGNATED AS THE TOWN BOARD MEMBER TO TRAIN FOR THE 2024 BOARD OF REVIEW

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: WE ENERGIES, CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, NEW TOWN HALL, PATROL TRUCK TREE ORDINANCE, 2024 ROAD PROJECTS.

ON A MOTION BY NICK BRATTLE, SECONDED BY RANDY BEHLKE, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:20 P.M. MOTION CARRIED.

BOB RIEGE-CLERK