Town of Little Black October 14, 2018

Present for the October monthly board meeting were Dan Hoffman, Bryan Jochimsen, Chad Smith, JoAnn Smith, and Marian Nernberger. Dan called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. and had JoAnn read the September minutes. Chad made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Bryan seconded. Motion carried.

Bills: The bills were reviewed and discussed. Bryan made a motion to accept and pay all bills as presented, except for the Fahner bill which Dan will check on as it is higher than should be. Chad seconded. Motion carried.

Road report: Chris reported that he has been adding gravel on the culverts and grading. Dan stopped Chris while he was grading and sent him over to the town of Holway to get some more grading lessons from Carl. Chris reported that the mailboxes are now in and that Alan Brandl helped with that project. It was reported that there are some trees that need trimming along with the stop ahead stop sign missing. Also discussed was water on Pine where the culvert is half full of gravel or is too small going into the land and woods on the former Week's property Chris was scheduled for greater training but it kind of sounds like there won't be much one-on-one training. Dan will check on this. The bid for Chip sealing Gilson came in at \$187,000. It is also in the plans to chip seal Della and Cardinal.

Sanitary District: The sanitary board consisting of Ken Nernberger, Brenda Nernberger and David Heier recommended that the Sanitary District become a committee under the jurisdiction of the Town of Little Black. With the Sanitary District being an entity of the town all monies could then be transferred to the town treasury. The amount to be transferred would be \$487.04 from the checking and \$4406.25 from the savings. They also recommended that three board members be appointed by the town board and eliminate the process of election. The board would be required to meet annually preferably in February to address any items that may arise. More meetings may be needed if other items arose that would be needed to be addressed before the February meeting the per diem payment would be \$50 per meeting. Chad made a motion to follow the committee's recommendation and move the monies into the town account and add it as a line item in the town's books. Bryan seconded. Motion carried.

Building permits: Steve Suchomel of the planning committee presented to the board their recommendations and findings on the building permit question from last month. It was noted that the zoning code does not contain the building permit requirements or fee schedule. This information is contained in ordinance 30.00 and 31.03. Ordinance 30.00 and 31.03 were reviewed and it was noted that they were inconsistent in their stating exceptions to building permit requirements. By unanimous agreement, it is suggested to the board that the two ordinance be reviewed and revised to include the same exemptions. It is not the group's authority to determine if reroofing in 30.00 is the same as alterations to buildings in 31.03. The groups next discussion was on the \$15,000 minimum for a building permit. It was mutually agreed that it was not the townships job

to police the value of the project. The assessor will determine the value added when assessment is done. The consensus was that building permit should be required for all projects and that the assessor will police the validity of the value. By unanimous agreement, it was suggested to the board that the requirement for a building permit be reduced to \$5000. It was general opinion that reducing the permit requirement from 15,000 to 5000 will not impact or discourage projects. The building permit fees were then discussed. By unanimous agreement it was suggested to the board that the fee schedule for a building permit be the combination of the \$10 process fee plus the one dollar per thousand value resident or two dollars per thousand value commercial or agriculture. A \$6000 residential building permit would cost \$16 and \$25,000 residential permit would cost \$35 a \$25,000 commercial permit would cost \$60. After much board discussion the building permit issue was tabled until next month.

Large dairy: Discussed. Hearing on the Appeals is scheduled for October 29th at 1:00 PM. At the Taylor Co. Court before the judge.

Chuck Zenner: Chuck reported that the price tag for broadband is \$19 million. The next discussion will be whether they can find somebody to partner with. The next meeting will be October 31th. He also reported that the County budget only raised by 1%.

Centennial Community Center: Marian reported that bookings are a little slow right now and that there will be a chicken dinner on November 11th along with the polka dance. And Molly B will be at the Hall November 25th.

Next board Meeting: The next meeting will be Budget hearing starting at 6 PM with regular board meeting to follow.

Treasurer's report: Marian reported a starting balance of \$302,534.98. Income for the month was \$2,370.84. Expenses for this month are \$108,187.21, leaving us a balance of \$196,718.61.

Bryan made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Chad seconded. Motion carried.

Chad made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:38 PM. Bryan seconded. Motion carried.

JoAnn Smith, Sec.