Town of Little Black

December 12, 2021

Present for the meeting was Dan Hoffman, Bryan Jochimsen, JoAnn Smith and Marian Nernberger. Dan called the meeting to order at 5 PM and opened the meeting with the Pledge. He then asked JoAnn to read the November minutes. Bryan made a motion to accept all the minutes along with the budget hearing minutes as written. Dan seconded. Motion carried.

Bills: After reviewing the bills. Bryan than made a motion to pay all bills presented. Dan seconded. Motion carried.

Road report: Norbert reported that all roads have been plowed and in pretty good condition. Norbert and Bryan were out at 2:00 AM with the big 12-inch snowstorm and got the job done. Bryan gave an update on the meditation hearing that he attended pertaining to Elm Ave. There wasn't any action at the hearing. He than attended a hearing with the judge, and she did agree with the 3 times damages, and that they were guilty in damaging the road. The trial is set for January 24-25. The fight is how much will be paid out for the damages.

Poll Worker: Dan made a motion to appoint Darleen Peche, Marian Nernberger, Kenny Nernberger, and Sharon Jochimsen as poll workers for the 2022-2023 elections along with giving the clerk the authority to appoint other poll workers if needed. Bryan seconded. Motion carried.

Stetsonville Fire: Dan discussed his views on the increase in fire dues.

Grader: Dan and Bryan bought forth a deal McCoy has on a 2-year-old John Deere grader the same as we have now. They stated that the old grader has signs of a lot of problems, and this is a great deal to trade it off on. The cost of the new grader would be \$250,000.00 with a 5-year warranty and our old grader traded in with a value of only \$29,000.00.

Dan Peterson made a motion to purchase the new grader. Penny Olson seconded. Motion carried.

Bryan made a motion purchase the JD grader, with the understanding Dan call the WTA and check if there was a need to have a special meeting of the electors before spending \$250,000.00. Dan seconded. Motion carried.

Sign: A taxpayer of the town ship bought up the issue of a sign displayed on one of the board member buildings and was greatly offended by it. There was a discussion and Dan made the statement that nothing will be done about the situation.

Chuck Zenner: Chuck reported on broadband and that they how have a interested party that will work with towers and hooks. That would be Bugtussle. There is cable into the townhall now.

Centennial Community Center: Marian report that the hall has been busy. Bingo had a great turn-out, and that people are looking forward for the next one. Cribbage is also played on Wednesday nights. There will be a buffet along with the Strat-Cats on Dec. 17th.

Treasurer's report: The starting balance was \$124,051.86, income for the month was \$63,160.65. Expenses this month were \$6,853.81 leaving a balance of \$180,368.70. Bryan made a motion to accept the treasurers report. Dan seconded. Motion carried.

ARPA Grant: Marian requested permission to take the grant money out of the regular checking and open another account. Bryan made a motion to grant permission Marian to do so. Dan seconded. Motion carried.

Next meeting: January 9, 2022, 5 PM. Bryan made a motion to adjourn at 6:40 PM. Dan seconded. Motion carried.

JoAnn Smith, Sec.