

Town of Little Black

January 9, 2022

Present for the meeting was Dan Hoffman, Bryan Jochimsen, Chad Smith, 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 December minutes. Bryan made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Dan seconded. Motion carried.

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

Road report: Bryan reported that he and Norbie were out plowing at the last big snowstorm. Bryan also reported that he plowed all the blacktop roads first before any of the gravel roads. Dan reported that they added carbide blades on the new grader as it didn't come with them. Also discussed was the fact that salt doesn't work well in the cold weather may have to use sand where needed. With the last snowstorm and wind that followed, many of the road signs have been tipped and need to be straightened. Further discussion led to hiring a person for grading, snowplowing, and general care of roads and equipment in the Township.

Grader purchased: with the purchase of another John Deere grader, financing is now needed to pay for this greater. It was discussed that \$200,000 is needed to be financed. Marian has been checking on interest rates at all banking institutions. The lowest rates she found was from Forward Financial Bank, at an interest rate of 2.2% on a five year loan if we changed our checking account to them. If we didn't change the loan rate of interest would be 2.45%. Bryan made a motion to get the loan from Forward Financial, for the term of five years with quarterly payments, and also check whether a \$5000 savings account with them would qualify for the 2.2% interest rate. Chad seconded.

Motion carried. Marian Nernberger, treasurer and JoAnn Smith, clerk will sign the loan for the Town of Little Black with Dan Hoffman, chairman signing as an alternate.

Centennial Community Center: Marian report that the hall has been busy. Beanbags, bingo, cribbage, along with bookings are some of the things that are going on.

Treasurer's report: The starting balance was \$180,368.70, income for the month was \$451.58. Expenses this month were \$28,003.72 leaving a balance of \$503,192.83 with tax collected money. Chad made a motion to accept the treasurers report. Bryan seconded. Motion carried.

Next meeting: February 13, 2022, 5 PM. Bryan made a motion to adjourn at 6:40 PM. Chad seconded. Motion carried.

JoAnn Smith, Sec.