

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 9, 2019 AT THE MINONG TOWN HALL
DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION CAN BE TAKEN ON ALL AGENDA ITEMS**

NOTICE: IF SOMEONE WITH A DISABILITY REQUIRES THAT THE MEETING BE ACCESSIBLE OR THAT MATERIALS AT THE MEETING BE IN AN ACCESSIBLE FORMAT, CALL THE CLERK'S OFFICE AT LEAST 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE TO REQUEST ADEQUATE ACCOMMODATIONS.

**VERIFY LEGAL
POSTING**

NOTICE: Clerk verified.

CALL TO

ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Harold Smith at 7:00 PM.

ROLL CALL: Jim Smith, Linda Featherly, Roger Wojt, Harold Smith, Susan Conaway, Clerk/Treasurer, Alicia Swearingen, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

PLEDGE OF

ALLEGIANCE: Recited.

APPROVE

AGENDA: Motion by Featherly, 2nd by Warner to approve the agenda presented. All in favor. Motion Carried.

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MINUTES: Motion by Jim Smith, 2nd by Featherly to approve minutes for the November 6th, 13th & December 2nd Meetings. All in favor. Motion Carried.

PAY BILLS:

Motion by Featherly, 2nd by Jim Smith to pay Debit Transaction 243 and check numbers 28552-28606 in the amount of \$54,782.82. All in favor. Motion Carried.

FINANCIAL

REPORT: Motion by Jim Smith, 2nd by Warner to approve the Financial Statement dated December 9th, 2019 in the amount of \$863,014.22. All in favor. Motion Carried.

OLD

BUSINESS: Security System- Susan updated – Window, Countertop and door have been ordered. As of now if everything comes in on time, it is scheduled to be installed on December 21. If the door doesn't come in, they will come back at another time and install the door. Total with everything is \$2,776.92

Greenwood Cemetery – Smokey updated. With all the snow so far, it can only get plowed straight in to the building. The guys will take care of it with the loader.

Short Term Rental Licenses – N/A

NEW

BUSINESS: Mike Peterson – Tota Drive – N/A

2020 Fire Department Contract – Tabled

2020 Ambulance Contract – Tabled

2020 Assessor Contract – Motion by Featherly, 2nd by Warner to approve contact presented. All in favor. Motion Carried.

2020 Library Contract – Tabled

ZONING: N/A

ROADS: Maintenance- Larry updated - Busy with snowplowing. Linda brought up starting snowplowing the roads earlier as there have been complaints. Lengthy discussion followed.
Purchases- N/A

MONTHLY REPORTS:

Fire & Ambulance- Smokey reported. Ambulance had 28 runs last month. Fire had 5 runs last month.
Transfer Station- Chairman gave report stating there were 8 loads in November. Total collected YTD is \$45,109. \$3,087 ahead of this time last year.

Constable- Erik was present. Been dealing with dog issues and has been giving citations, also working with the county.

Lakes Committee- N/A

Clerk's Update- Susan updated. Atv route letter of support to open Cty Hwy I from Oaks to Oaks letter was sent to the county. We got a response back stating there wasn't any approved minutes or a signed letter. Approved minutes and a signed letter will be sent tomorrow. Received notification from the Auditor stating they can no longer provide our audit. They gave suggestions of other possible firms. Discussion followed. The board agreed to put it out for bid in the advocate and yellow paper. Bids will be opened at the next meeting.

Discussion from Other Meetings- Linda updated on county meeting. There was recently a youth and government day. There will be a dedication of the tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Spooner next year – they would like to do it on the same day as the Duluth air show, possibly get a fly over. The Namekagon Bus will be going on an outing to Rice Lake on January 29th. There are still some open seats for this trip. A reminder they come to the Minong area the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month and the 5th Wednesday is a special outing day that changes each month.

CITIZENS

COMMENTS: Resident Jim Smith representing American Legion Post 465 asked for a donation to replace damaged flags at the cemetery. It would be about \$300 for 24 flags. Chuck suggested contacting the Spooner V.A. to see if they can provide any.

DATE &

AGENDA: Next Board Meeting: Next meeting will be held on Monday January 13th, 2020 @ 6:30 pm for Caucus and 7:00pm for Regular Meeting.
Agenda Items: Caucus, Bid Opening

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION: Motion by Featherly to adjourn to closed session, 2nd by Wojt to adjourn. All in favor. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM. Went into closed session. Roll call vote. All members present and accounted for.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION: Motion by Jim Smith, 2nd by Featherly to return to open session. All in favor. Motion Carried. Motion by Smokey, 2nd by Jim Smith to accept T.S. as an additional part time snowplow driver. All in favor. Motion Carried. Applicant contacted and accepted Town's offer – will start 12/10/2019.

ADJOURN MEETING: Motion by Jim Smith, 2nd by Wojt to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.