

MINUTES
Byron Town Hall
Wednesday, November 9, 2016

Town of Byron – Special Hearing & Special Town Meeting on Budget 6:30 pm

Attending: Chairperson Bob Simon, Supervisors Dustin Westphal and Kay Murre, Treasurer Wendy Giese, and Clerk Mary Laudloff

- a) **Call to Order:** Chairman Bob Simon called the meeting to order.
- b) **Confirm Posting:** The meeting was posted on October 21st in the 3 posting places, on the web site and published in the Reporter Oct. 26th and Nov. 2nd.
- c) The Board presented the proposed 2017 budget.
- d) **Public Comments:** None
- e) **Adopt Levy Limit to be paid in 2017:** The state allowable levy is \$343,813.00. The Town Board feels this amount is adequate and have proposed a budget accordingly. **MOTION: (Ron Engel, Marlin Towne) to approve the 2016 Municipal Levy Limit of \$343,813.00 to be paid in 2017. Carried. 8 yea, 0 nay.**
- f) **Adopt Highway Expenditures to be paid in 2017: MOTION: (Ron Engel, Marlin Towne) to approve the 2017 highway budget of \$238,039.32. Carried. 8 yea, 0 nay**
- g) **Motion to Adjourn: (Marlin Towne, Ron Engel) Carried**

Town of Byron – Regular Board Meeting

Chairperson Bob Simon, called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present Agenda: MOTION: (Murre, Westphal) to approve the agenda. Carried

Approve Minutes: MOTION: (Murre, Westphal) to approve the October 11th minutes as written with corrections to Oakfield Fire Department. Carried

Approve Bills: MOTION: (Westphal, Simon) to approve paying the bills as presented. Carried

Building Permits: There was one building permit issued this past month for Michelle Nimmer, Remodel Bath, \$25.

Memorial Committee: Tom Kelroy reported the two new tablets were put in place for future names. The tablets have been paid for by donations by the town's citizens.

Historical Society: Bob Simon read the minutes on behalf of the Historical Society. The annual open house will be December 3rd from 10:00 am till 3:00 pm. Informational displays and refreshments will be available. The 2017 calendars will be on sale at the open house. Their meetings are held every third Monday of the month.

Public Comments: Tom Kelroy advised the Board of an upcoming Producer's/Farmer's Ag Update meeting at the Auburn Town Hall on December 7, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.

Unfinished Business:

- a) **Eden Fire Department Contract Explanation:** Denny Rahn and Kyle Salter representing the Eden Fire Department were present to answer the Board's questions regarding the Department's charges to the Town. Their annual estimate reflects the annual charge to the Town. Charges over the basic annual charge take place in the event the department incurs additional expenses on calls that run over this annual charge and the Township is billed the difference. The Department advised they would look into a possible annual contract amount as the other Departments so that the Town has a better budget amount to work with.
- b) **Update on Roads:**
- Road patching, ditching and mowing have been completed. Brush cutting will be started soon.
 - The railroad has promised the crossing on Lost Arrow Road would be repaired this year yet.
 - The Lost Arrow Bridge project update is Gremmer & Associates confirmed there is no wet land at the project site. With this being a trout stream, the culvert has to have an open bottom. Project will be surveyed next week with results available after the first of the year. The bridge is now posted at 5,000 lbs.
 - Mill Pond Road work is completed at a cost of \$128,180.19 and application for the Trip money payment is in process. Low shoulder signs will be posted.
 - The DOT will furnish the Towns of Byron and Oakfield a form to sign to update the maps in regard to Mill Pond Road, the border road the Towns share 50/50.
- c) **Update on Comprehensive Plan/Planning Commission:** The next meeting, which is open to the public, is December 8, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. All recommendations are completed. At the next meeting they will be discussing the future land use maps. The next step will be an intergovernmental meeting with the surrounding towns to share our plan with them and implementation table. Late spring will be the final draft.
- d) **Update on City/Towns border Agreement:** In December we will adopt a formal resolution.

New Business

- a) **Budget Balance:** Wendy Giese gave the Treasurers Report. The balance in the checkbook is \$277,762.45.
- b) **Autistic Child Signs:** The Vander Grinten's were present to request signs be placed on Church Road and Maple Lane for their daughter's safety. **Motion: (Westphal, Murre) to get three Impaired Child signs and post them. Carried.**
- c) **Snow Plow Driver Pay Increase:** The current pay for part-time snow plow drivers is \$15.00 an hour. The Board discussed raising the pay to be comparable to other townships in the area. **Motion: (Simon, Murre) to have \$16.00 an hour starting pay rate for new drivers with raise based on probation/merit and current back-up snow plow drivers a raise to \$17.50 an hour. Carried.**
- d) **Discuss Hiring a New Snow Plow Driver:** In the Spring Newsletter, we posted a snow plow driver job and received one application. We will interview him during a closed session at our December meeting.
- e) **Possible Deed Restriction Amendment for Ken Zimmer Property:** Ken Zimmer was not present. No discussion or amendment to his property.

- f) **Certified Survey Map-Jacobson Farmer Supply:** They have 3 lots to be split into 2 lots with the house and garage on Lot #1 and the sheds on Lot #2. **Motion: (Westphal, Murre) to approve the Certified Survey Map for Jacobson Farmer Supply, Sec. 32, County Y. Carried**

- g) **Fond du Lac Unit Christmas Party:** The annual Christmas Party for Township officials in Fond du Lac will be held Dec. 1st at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Fond du Lac. Attendees are responsible for cost of dinner.

- h) **Town of Byron Christmas Party:** The annual Town Christmas Party will be held in January with the date and place to be determined.

Correspondence: None

Plan Commission Rezoning hearing-Rademann Stone, Monday, November 28, 2016 p.m.

Plan Commission-Comprehensive Plan Update Meeting-Thursday, December 8, 2016 6:30 p.m.

Next Town Board Meeting: Tuesday, December 8, 2015 7:00 p.m.

Motion: (Westphal, Murre) to adjourn. Carried

Mary Laudolff, Clerk

ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY OF THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEMS