

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE FERN TOWN BOARD
April 11, 2022

Chairman Erwin called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Also present were Supervisor Drewa, Supervisor Saak, Treasurer Demko and Clerk De Clark.

Constituents present were Gary Blank and Rich Wenslow.

Agenda

Moved by Supervisor Drewa to approve the agenda.

Motion seconded by Supervisor Saak.

Motion carried, with all voting "Aye" on a voice vote.

Minutes

Moved by Supervisor Drewa to approve the minutes.

Motion seconded by Supervisor Saak.

Motion carried, with all voting "Aye" on a voice vote.

Treasurer's Monthly Report

Treasurer Demko presented the monthly Treasurer's Report which included account balances and interest rates.

Moved by Supervisor Saak to approve the treasurer's report.

Motion seconded by Supervisor Drewa.

Motion carried, with all voting "Aye" on a voice vote.

Monthly Bills

Moved by Supervisor Saak to approve the monthly bills.

Motion seconded by Supervisor Drewa.

Motion carried, with all voting "Aye" on a voice vote.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

Spring Clean-up

The annual Spring Clean-up for the Town of Fern will be on May 14, 2022, from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Supervisor Drewa stated that he would supply the bags, safety vests, lunch, and beverages.

Motion by Supervisor Drewa to set the date for the town clean-up as May 14th.

Motion seconded by Supervisor Saak.

Motion carried, with all voting "Aye" on a voice vote.

Spring Road Tour

The Spring Road Tour will be on May 6, 2022, at 8:00 am.

Motion by Chairman Erwin to set the road tour date as May 6th.

Motion seconded by Supervisor Drewa.

Motion carried, with all voting "Aye" on a voice vote.

Balsam Lane Culvert

Chairman Erwin stated that there is a need to improve the site variance on Balsam Lane. Also, the pole is in the way for plowing. Chairman Erwin stated that the Florence Utilities will be working on Balsam Lane. He will make sure that Florence Utilities puts the new pole on the proper side of the road.

Annual Town Meeting

Chairman Erwin stated that per stated statues, all towns must hold their Annual Meeting on the third Tuesday in April. He also stated that because it is always held on the same date, there was no need to do any postings. It was determined that the Clerk would post a notice with the date of the meeting anyway. The meeting will be held on April 19, 2022, at 7:00 pm at the Fern Town Hall.

Gift Certificate

Motion by Supervisor Drewa to send two \$50 gift cards to the McLain Logging for the use of their equipment.

Motion seconded by Chairman Erwin.

Motion carried, with voting "Aye" on a voice vote.

Clerk De Clark will get two \$50 gift cards from The Filling Station to send to McLain Logging.

Board Member Comments

Supervisor Drewa stated that he received a quote on repairing the fencing at the Town Dump. The nearest he could find for the work was in Marquette, MI. We can get a 5- foot commercial grade cyclone fencing installed for \$30 a foot. If we prepare the holes, they can just push the poles in and will not need to cement them in. Supervisor Drewa stated that they can easily do 100 feet a day.

Supervisor Drewa stated that he will do some measuring and get a written estimate for the fencing job.

Supervisor Drewa stated that he has called three surveyors for Price Lake but has yet to hear back from any of them. He will continue to check on this project.

Supervisor Drewa inquired if the signs for Balsam Lane were procured yet. Chairman Erwin stated that he will get with county for the signs.

It was stated that there is now an Air B&B on Balsam Lane and the people renting it are the ones being inconsiderate to the residence that live there.

Supervisor Saak inquired as to when we would be raising the prices for the disposal of mattresses, box springs, couches, and chairs. Chairman Erwin stated that it would go on the next agenda.

Constituents Concerns

Constituent Blank inquired what was currently charged for the disposal of the above items now. Supervisor Saak stated that the current prices are \$5 for twin, \$10 for full and \$15 for queen and king mattress. It is \$10 for chairs and \$15 for couches.

Clerk De Clark stated that we are charged \$15 for each for the disposal of these items, so the Town is losing money on some of the items.

Adjourn

Moved by Supervisor Saak.

Motion seconded Supervisor Drewa.

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Patti De Clark, Town Clerk