

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE FERN TOWN BOARD
July 12, 2021

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 Bill DeGroot and Rich Wenzelow.

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 but hold out JET Logging payment until further review.

Motion seconded by Supervisor Drewa.

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

Correspondence

Chairman Erwin received a notice that a constituent would like to put a GAD container on Balsam Lane and wanted to know if this was okay with the Town. Chairman Erwin stated that if the container did not interfere with the Town's right of way that it was okay.

Fencing at Recycling Center

A new fence needs to be put in place at the recycling center between the gates where it is busted out, about 100 feet. Chairman Erwin stated that he is getting quotes for the fencing for just the roadside.

Board Member Comments

Supervisor Drewa stated that Asplundh will be able to start cutting the necessary trees in Fern starting early Fall.

Supervisor Drewa asked if the oil tank had been checked into yet. With a no answer Supervisor Drewa stated that he would investigate getting someone to empty the oil tank.

Supervisor Drewa asked if anyone had been able to get a new fire number for the new person in Fern. Chairman Erwin stated that he has spoken with Kelly Sleeter from zoning, and they are working on getting the fire number installed.

Supervisor Drewa asked if a snow fence should be put up around the recycling center. Supervisor Saak stated that the only are of concern is above the service door. Supervisor Drewa will investigate this matter.

Supervisor Drewa asked constituent DeGroot if he ever received the gift certificate the Town had purchased for him to thank him for cleaning up the roadway of debris. Constituent DeGroot stated that yes, he had received the gift certificate.

Supervisor Drewa stated that he and Ann will go out again to pick litter up on Highway 101.

Supervisor Saak inquired about the parsnip situation in the Town. Chairman Erwin stated that the state had received complaints regarding this problem. He stated that he has spoken with Joe from Florence County, and they will be spraying the weeds after they flower. When the seed are green, they can begin spraying but not before because of the pollinators that will be on the flowers.

Clerk De Clark stated that the training for the new ICE voting machines will be on July 28, 2021, at the Resource Center in Florence at 4:00 p.m.

Constituents Concerns

Constituent DeGroot stated that he did receive the gift certificate and thanked the Town.

Constituent DeGroot stated that when he looked for the agenda and minutes on the new website that they were not there last evening. Clerk De Clark stated that she had sent them to Daniel to post but for some reason he did not receive them. She checked the website Monday morning and saw that they were not posted and had Daniel repost them. She will try to get them posted earlier to avoid this problem.

Constituent DeGroot inquired what the thumb that was being purchased was for. Chairman Erwin stated that it fits on the backhoe and has hydraulics for picking up items with the backhoe.

Adjourn

Moved by Supervisor Saak.

Motion seconded Supervisor Drewa.

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Patti De Clark, Town Clerk