**Town of Clayton**

**Monthly Meeting Minutes**

**July 9, 2020**

Chairman Bill Vanda called the posted meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Also present were Supervisor Arling “Ole” Olson, Supervisor Scott Gilbertson, Clerk Tracy LaBlanc, Treasurer Debbie Elmer, Roadman Jamie Wood, Supervisors Roger Olson and Jake Balog were absent. Also present were 2 residents and 2 non-residents.

The Clerk presented a signed affidavit as to where and when the meeting was posted.

**Minutes** – Ole moved, with a second by Roger to approve the June 11th, 2020, regular Town Board meeting minutes and the June 24th 2020 & June 29th 2020 Special Town board meeting minutes. Motion carried.

**Treasurer’s report**- shows a balance of $104,148.31 in the checking and $328,827.53 in the Money Market account for a total of $432,975.84. Roger moved, with a second by Ole to accept the Treasurer’s report as presented. Motion carried.

**Bill Payment** – Ole moved, with a second by Scott, to approve payment of voucher #13909 to #13930, and pay the State & Federal Withholdings & WRS for a total of $18,075.41. Motion carried.

**BUSINESS:**

**\*AMERY AMBULANCE- ED GULLICKSON-** Bill stated when we sent our letter of intent not to renew with Amery EMS services, he received a call from them that they would like to come and speak to the board. Ed thought that when he attended the special meeting for EMS services a few weeks ago, that the board had concerns about the levels of service provided so he had Nikki put together a list of those services. Ed handed out to the board members the sheet listing their scope of services they provide and the billing levels for each of those services. The board had some questions for Carl about different services provided and the difference between levels of care. Ole indicated that one of the main reasons for non-renewal was the contractual side of their service, among a few other things that we won’t get into to avoid argument/further discussion at this point as our decision has been made to not renew. Ed stated if this is the towns intent then they will proceed accordingly.

**\*DISCUSS/ACT ON NEW VOTING EQUIPMENT-** Clerk Tracy let the board know that after last meeting she attended a voting equipment demo at county, to see what equipment will be replacing the equipment purchased in 2002 which we have now that will expire in January 2023. Tracy explained there are 2 new machine options, and she explained each machines pros & cons. Explaining by acting now, we get a substantial discount on the larger machine and it could come down more based on amount of unit being purchased, they will take our old machines on trade and there is a loyalty discount applied also. Order by August we would get the new machine by January 2021 or earlier. Ordering this year versus 2023 would give us a smaller election year to get trained/used to the machine before another bigger election cycle. This is also being addressed at county level, as they could potentially contract the purchase of the machines and then each municipality would make the payments to them until paid for. Ole moved with a second by Scott to approve the purchase of the (ICE-All in one Tabulator machine) for $6600/less. Motion carried.

**\*DISCUSS/ACT ON NEW AMBULANCE SERVICE-**  Bill gave the board some info on run times between Amery/Clear Lake services. Scott asked where does it show how many times Clear Lake covers for Amery when they are out doing transfers? Bill stated it doesn’t show that info or the times a service is out of service. Ole stated residents can request any type of service based on their needs at that time, we haven’t denied service to our residents the only thing we have done is go with different level of service, as statutorily we are obligated to provide some level of service to our residents. Bill stated in talking with Jill at dispatch there could be a cost associated with changing the maps and re-programing the service from one service to another. Ole stated this shouldn’t be taken personally, it’s strictly based on a level of service we are required to provide for our residents. Clerk Tracy mentioned most ambulance services meet quarterly and for budgeting purposes we need to proceed with moving forward with the ambulance provider we are going with and get all the details put in a contract/agreement. Scott asked when does Clear Lake meet again? Tracy stated July 27th they meet. Tracy suggested calling Adam the Clear Lake director during the meeting. The board reached out to Adam by phone during the meeting and asked him to put together the proposal/contract for us to have Clear Lake Ambulance as our service provider. Some of the board members will attend the meeting on the 27th. Roger stated the level of care between service provides doesn’t mean we are depriving our residents in any way, because if a different level of service is needed for a resident our contracted service provider is going to make sure they do what is necessary to get it for the resident.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**ROADMAN REPORT/SUMMER ROAD WORK UPDATES**- Jamie gave the board a copy of his roadman report of what he’s been doing for the past month. Jamie/Ryan have been mowing ditches, one pass is done now, patching pot holes, graded and packed the gravel lift on 90th Ave, it’s now ready for blacktop in August. Jamie mentioned that there are a couple of soft spots on 90th that might need to be dug out and put fabric & sand/gravel in. Board suggested doing those dig outs before blacktopping. Jamie has a couple culverts to get in yet.

**CLERK’S REPORT**- Clerk Tracy asked the board what they wanted to do about LP for this year? We still have a remaining credit from last year of $404.19. We do qualify for summer fill, the tank is at 50% now. Summer fill price is $.94/gal. They will have the pre-pay price out the end of July.

Ole moved with a second by Scott to approve the summer fill at quoted price for now and then come back with Pre-pay price next month. Motion carried. Tracy explained that the funds for the LRIP project for 15th St. came back higher than expected so that is a plus for next year. Tracy couldn’t access the county system to get Land Use Permits issued this past month as the system was down.

**CHAIRMAN’S REPORT-** Bill had nothing this month.

**PUBLIC COMMENT- (MAX 3 MIN.)-** None

**Date & Time of Next Meeting:** Regular Board Meeting & other meeting dates:

August 13, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.- Regular Monthly Meeting- with Voucher Approval at 6:45 p.m.

August 11, 2020- Partisan Primary Election

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Ole moved, with a second by Scott to adjourn at 7:40p.m.

Tracy LaBlanc, Clerk