**Town of Clayton**

**Monthly Meeting Minutes**

 **March 14, 2024**

Chairman Bill Vanda called the posted meeting to order at 7pm. Also present were Supervisor Arling “Ole” Olson, Supervisors Scott Gilbertson, Supervisor Roger Olson, Treasurer Debbie Elmer, Clerk Tracy LaBlanc, and Roadman Jamie Wood. Paul Ladwig, was absent. Also Present were 3 Town Residents.

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

**Minutes** – Scott moved, with a second by Roger to accept the February 8, 2024, regular meeting minutes. Motion carried.

**Treasurer’s report**- shows a balance of $4829.89 in the checking and $717,077.60 in the Money Market account for a total of $721,907.49 in a separate account there is the ARPA funds of $102,884.18 bringing all town funds held to $824,791.67. Ole moved with a second by Scott to accept the Treasurer’s report as presented. Motion carried.

**Bill Payment** – Ole moved, with a second by Roger, to approve payments of voucher #15155 to #15174, and pay the State & Federal Withholdings & WRS for a total of $47,586.67. Motion carried.

**BUSINESS**:

 **\*ROAD REPAIR BILL UPDATE-**

At the December board mtg based on board discussion and past history with other residents regarding damages to roadways, the board voted to issue an invoice to the Pickard’s for cost/material/labor to repair damages to roadway. Michelle Pickard attended the January mtg to address the letter and invoice received with the board. After lengthy discussion on this and Michelle not being able to make a decision without Kent’s input, the board suggested the Pickard’s discuss this amongst themselves and get back to the board with an agreeable solution. Based on the discussion and not hearing anything back from the Pickard’s in 2 months on an agreeable solution, Roger moved with a second by Scott to send a second letter/invoice for damages to the Pickard’s to see if they have an agreeable solution for said damages to roadway. Motion carried. Clerk Tracy will get that letter/invoice sent out.

**\*DISCUSSION/ACTION ON COLD STORAGE/SALT SHED PROJECTS-** Bill stated that back in 2019 the discussion came before the annual meeting about a cold storage bldg, no motions were made but suggestion was made to put in on next agenda for discussion. In 2020 at the annual meeting discussion on cold storage bldg and salt shed came up and motions were made to look into building options or potentially adding onto the existing shop. Bill stated we are almost 4yrs. past looking into it, so he has started to research options and he presented the board with rough plans/diagrams for a cold storage bldg and a salt shed. After some discussion on this Ole moved with a second by Roger to get some bids for these. Motion carried.

**\*TOWN CLEAN UP DAY-** The board picked May 4, 2024 from 7- Noon. Jamie checked with Right of Way Roll Offs from Bloomer again as they are available.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**Roadman Report/Set Spring Road Tour date** - Jamie gave a copy of his report to the board. Since we’ve had such an awesome winter, Jamie & Rick have been out this month clearing more trees/brush/stumps on 105th. Jamie will get the mower welded up to get ready for 1st mowing of ditches. Jamie will also get grader serviced out so it’s ready to grade roads. Jamie will be going to MSHA refresher training next week. **Spring Road Tour** – Board decided that it’s not needed at this time.

**Discuss/Approve Summer Roadwork projects:** Discussion was had on what road project(s) the board wants to move forward with for this year based on the 5 year road plan they put together last fall. Based on the plan and the discussion, Ole moved with a second by Roger to get bids to do a regrind and resurface on 95th Ave (from 40th St to 50th St) for this years road project. Motion carried. Jamie & Clerk Tracy will get the ad for bids put together so that it can be awarded at next board meeting.

**CLERK’S Report**- Clerk Tracy stated there were 2 new land use permits since last month. Tracy let the board know that the County has now hired a full time Compliance Officer and they will be starting in April. Tracy is busy preparing for the April 2, 2024 election.

**CHAIRMAN’S Report**- Bill updated the board on some Fire Dept. matters. Bill stated there were 7 runs total this past month. (5 medical, 2 fire/medical, and 0 Mabas). Bill also stated that the dept. has don a few fundraisers this past month and have also done some trainings. Bill also stressed that there should be **NO BURNING of any kind** as the risks are extremely high right now.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (MAX 3 min)-** Lee Elmer had a funny story to tell. 😊

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

April 11, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.- with Voucher approval at 6:45 p.m.

April 2, 2024- Spring Election & Presidential Preference Primary

April 16, 2024- Open Book from 8:00 –10:00am.

April 23, 2024 – BOR from 8:00 – 10:00pm

April 23, 2024- Towns Annual Meeting at 7:00pm.

**Adjournment**: Scott moved, with a second by Ole to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm.

Tracy LaBlanc, Clerk