**Town of Clayton**

**Monthly Meeting Minutes**

**November 14, 2019 with**

**Public Budget hearing & Special Town Meeting to Follow**

Chairman Bill Vanda called the posted meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Also present Supervisor Arling “Ole” Olson, Supervisor Roger Olson, Supervisor Scott Gilbertson, Supervisor Jake Balog, Treasurer Debbie Elmer, Clerk Tracy LaBlanc, Roadman Jamie Wood. Also Present were 3 town residents & 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 Scott to approve the October 10th, regular meeting minutes & Special Mtg. minutes from the October 15th Board Road Tour. Motion carried.

**Treasurer’s report**- shows a balance of $4974.06 in the checking and $340,883.16 in the Money Market account for a total of $345,857.22. Scott moved, with a second by Ole to approve the Treasurer’s report as presented. Motion carried.

**Bill Payment** – Ole moved with a second by Roger to approve payment voucher #13660 to #13689 and pay the State & Federal Withholdings & WRS for a total of $77,557.44. Motion carried.

**BUSINESS:**

**\*DISCUSS/ACT ON AMBULANCE & FIRE SERVICES-** Bill asked Fire Chief Donny Kittelson to come and speak to the Fire dept. matter. Donny went over the run report sheets with the board, however this report isn’t what he wanted to present but it’s what he has for now until he can figure out how to get the other report we are looking for, he also went over the Fire Dept. budget and this is what is being proposed to the Village at next meeting it hasn’t been approved yet. The board had a lot of questions in regards to the FD budget. The board suggested to have a special meeting with the Village to go over the Fire budget issues and get a new contract from the FD for 2020, so the town knows exactly what is owed for the new year. Another issue that came up was the Village under billed the Town for 2019 fire dues and now they asked that the difference be paid, which is another $3000 for 2019 on top of the $54,819.11 that has already been paid. Roger had several questions that Chief Kittelson didn’t have answers to, so again Chief Kittelson asked for us to come to a village meeting to get these questions/concerns answered. Tracy/Bill will get with the Village and get a meeting set up. This will be tabled until further discussion can be had with the FD/Village of Clayton. We will hold off on paying the remainder of the unbilled/unpaid portion of the fire dues until we meet with the village on this matter. In regards to the Ambulance service Bill mentioned the per capita would go down/stay the same for 2020 but now stated it has gone up instead, Bill showed the last ambulance board minutes & budget and will keep a binder in the Clerk’s office with all this info in it going forward. The last contract we received from them was dated 2014, Bill will ask for a new contract for 2020. Some thoughts were thrown out by the board about looking into other ambulance services. Ole will check with Clear Lake service for service costs.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS: ROADMAN REPORT-** Jamie handed out his report to the board, in his report he explained he has been out mowing ditches, grading gravel roads, & pothole patching. The 15th St project is done. The 65th Ave turn around at Kingsbury’s is complete. Gravel has been added to 10th St turn around for the bus service. Jake’s Tree Service has completed the storm damage clean up from the July storm. He will continue to mow ditches weather permitting.

**Clerk’s Report-** Clerk Tracy since last meeting submitted the LRIP application for 2020-2021 road project, and has been busy working on the FEMA storm recovery paperwork, along with (MLS) 90/10 Multimodal Local Supplement Grant that is due by Dec. 1, the transportation Aid big map, budget and tax prep, and working on upcoming election stuff. FEMA will be coming next Monday for a scoping meeting to go over the July 2019 storm damage. We had a couple animal calls this month as well as 1 land use permit.

**Chairman’s Report**- Bill will be attending the upcoming WTA (Wisconsin Towns Assn) and the Ambulance meeting.

\***DAN THOLE-PRESENT 2020 BUDGET**- Auditor Dan presented the 2020 budget to the board and residents present. He also explained to the board that any of the line items in the budget can be changed this evening if the board chooses to do so. Dan stated the town is in good financial shape. Dan asked if anyonehadany questions regarding the budget. Having no questions or changes Scott moved, with a second by Jake to adopt the 2020 budget as presented by Dan Thole. Motion carried.

**RECESS**: Ole moved, with a second by Roger to recess from the regular board meeting and go into the Public Budget Hearing-Special Town Meeting. Motion carried.

 \*\* **PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING - SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES** \*\*

 All those present had a copy of the proposed 2020 budget and had a chance to review it.

* Scott moved with a second by Ole to adjourn from Public Hearing and go into the Special Town Meeting. Motion carried.
* The section of the Wisconsin Statute that used to limit highway expenditures at $5000 per mile has been repealed, now the town can expend up to the amount budgeted. The Highway Expenditures amount budgeted for 2020 is $273,000. Ole moved with a second by Roger to approve the budgeted amount for highway expenditures for 2020. Motion carried.
* Ole moved with a second by Roger to adopt the 2020 Town Tax Levy of $280,795.00 to be paid in 2020 pursuant to Sec. 60.10 (1) (a) of the Wis. Statutes. Motion carried.
* Ole moved, with a second by Jake to adjourn from the Special Town Meeting and reconvene back to the regular board meeting. Motion carried.

**APPROVE/ADOPT THE 2020 BUDGET**- Scott moved, with a second by Jake to approve the 2020 Budget as presented by Dan Thole. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT-(MAX 3 MIN)-** Lee Elmer gave a humorous little presentation/speech. ☺

**ADJOURNMENT**: Ole moved, with a second by Jake to adjourn at 9:00pm. Motion carried.

**Date & Time of Next Meeting:**

December 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.- Regular Monthly Board Meeting- with Voucher Approval at 6:45 p.m.

Tracy LaBlanc, Clerk