

TOWN OF WILLARD 2021 CAUCUS  
JANUARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
January 11, 2021

The Town Caucus was called to order by Chairman Bob Nelson at 6:00 P.M. Those in attendance were: Mark Taft, Judy Simpson, Linda and Jim Bentley, Dennis Engelking, Joe and Shannon Barrois, Lee Erl, Pauline Moulton, Hector and Loreta Lareau, Parrish Bennett, Bob & Mary Jane Nelson, all town electors. Also in attendance were Jim Mataczynski, Dave Conrad and Jim Meyer.

The Chairman appointed Deputy Clerk Simpson to act as the caucus chair.

The chair asked for nominations for town chairman to be elected in April, 2021 and the term ending in April 2023. Hector Lareau nominated Bob Nelson. Jim Bentley seconded the nomination. The chair asked for nominations three more times. There were none and the nominations were closed.

Chair Simpson asked for nominations for two supervisor positions. Linda Bentley was nominated by Jim Bentley. The nomination was seconded by Joe Barrois. Mark Taft was nominated by Bob Nelson. Jim Bentley seconded the nomination. The chair asked for further nominations three more times. There were none and the nominations were closed.

Motion by Pauline Molton at 6:04 to adjourn the caucus; motion seconded by Lee Erl and passed by voice vote.

**The January meeting of the Willard Town Board was called to order at 6:04 P.M.** by Chairman Bob Nelson with the pledge of allegiance. Those in attendance were Chairman Nelson, Supervisors Bentley and Taft, Treasurer Engelking, Clerk Nelson, Deputy Clerk Simpson, Jim Bentley, Joe and Shannon Barrois, Lee Erl, Pauline Moulton, Hector and Loreta Lareau, Parrish Bennett, County Supervisor Jim Meyer and Lake Holcombe Veterans group members, Jim Mataczynski and Dave Conrad.

**AGENDA:** There were no changes to the agenda.

**MINUTES:** Motion by Taft, seconded by Bentley and carried to approve the minutes as presented.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The Treasurer's report showed receipts of \$8856.27; disbursements of \$10,004.17 resulting in an ending balance of \$63,560.45 which includes the Contingency fund of \$2,302.66, and the Equipment fund balance of \$12,804.36. Motion by Bentley, seconded by Taft and carried to approve as presented.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS TO BE PAID:** Motion by Taft, seconded by Bentley and carried that the Town of Willard should pay the bills as presented.

**CLERK'S REPORT/APPROVE PERMITS ISSUED:** The Clerk reported the new voting machine is here and the chief inspectors will be trained on Wednesday. She also had sent in the request for funding our loan request with BCPL and that should be here within the next ten days. Treasurer Engelking said that money will be deposited into the equipment fund which is where we took the money to purchase the machine earlier this year.

**BUILDING/OTHER PERMITS:** There were no permit requests.

**PUBLIC INPUT:** Dave Conrad and Jim Mataczynski of the Holcombe Area Veterans Memorial group appeared and made a presentation on the memorial they plan to construct at the junction of State Hwy 27 and Hwy M in Holcombe. The Staudacher family donated 2.3 acres of land to the Town of Lake Holcombe to create a park with the veteran's memorial as a part of the park. They are asking the Holcombe School District residents to assist by purchasing legacy stones representing area veterans (deceased and active). They plan to have seven flag poles representing each of the military groups and are asking the surrounding townships to purchase one to help them with their fund raising. Cost of the 35' pole is \$2500.00. The Chairman thanked them for their efforts and presentation. The board felt that this issue should be a part of the annual meeting held on the third Tuesday in April when town residents can have input as well.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Junk cars at resident's home on Broken Arrow Road: Parrish Bennett appeared and said that he has only 8 vehicles left and 3 of them are licensed; he intends to sell more and will also be licensing the "collector" cars. The camper is useable and his nephew from Radisson will be purchasing it and one of the cars. He also reported that he will be working on demolishing the existing mobile homes on the back of the lot in the spring. The board thanked him for his prompt attention to taking care of this matter and asked him to come back to the April meeting with an update on his progress.

**NEW BUSINESS:** There was no new business.

**COUNTY BOARD SUPERVISOR REPORT:** Mr. Meyer reported that the last meeting was quite interesting in that the county has refinanced some existing debt that will save the county at least \$100,000.00 in interest. There were several other items regarding wages and the Sheriff's car budget that were addressed.

**BOARD MEMBER REPORTS/CONCERNS:** The Chairman reported that the snowplow truck is at Larry's Repair in Sheldon and will be getting new leaf springs this week.

**SET NEXT AGENDA:** Flag pole donation

Motion by Bentley seconded by Taft and carried to adjourn at 6:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Mary Jane Nelson, Clerk