

TOWN OF WILLARD

June 14, 2021 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Nelson at 6:00 P.M. with the pledge to the flag. The Clerk asked the attendees to offer a moment of silence in memory of Dennis Engelking, our treasurer who passed away on June 4th. Those in attendance were: Mark Taft, Judy Simpson, Linda Bentley, Shannon Barrois, Bob & Mary Jane Nelson, Vern and Linda Denzer, Scott Rood, Washington Town Chair Betsey Patterson and County Supervisor Jim Meyer,

APPOINT TREASURER: Motion by Taft, seconded by Nelson to appoint the Deputy Treasurer Shannon Barrois as the treasurer. Motion carried with Bentley abstaining.

AGENDA: There were no changes to the agenda.

MINUTES: Motion by Taft, seconded by Bentley and carried to approve the agenda as printed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's report showed receipts of \$1451.96; disbursements of \$19,406.08 resulting in an ending balance of \$154,615.91 which includes the Contingency fund of \$2302.66 and the Equipment fund balance of 12,804.36.

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

CLERK'S REPORT/APPROVE PERMITS ISSUED: The Clerk read a thank you letter from the Veterans Memorial Committee for our donation for a flag pole and flag. The Clerk also reported that the ARPA funds available to all municipalities is changing almost on an hourly basis. She will be taking an online webinar tomorrow to get the final details before filing by Friday.

BUILDING/OTHER PERMITS:

Shannon Barrois requested a fire works permit for July 4th. Motion by Nelson, seconded by Taft and carried with Bentley abstaining.

Steve Hunsley who has a home at N137 Sunnyside Point Road requested a permit for a detached garage with living quarters above. The land use permit has been issued by the county. Motion by Taft, seconded by Nelson to approve the permit.

PUBLIC INPUT: Vern Denzer asked about the campers on the Kinnee property behind his residence on Stansbury Road and if the County has reported back to the town about what they need to do. The Chairman said he would check with the zoning office for information.

OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS: Rusk County Junior Fair request: The committee called and asked if we would be able to give them a donation to keep the fair going. We gave them \$300.00 last year. Motion by Bentley, seconded by Taft to give them \$300.00 this year from the ATC funding we receive yearly.

Squaw Point Road repairs: Squaw Point Road is owned and maintained by Washington and Willard Townships. The south 1600 feet is rough and broken up. Ms. Patterson had bids for the project with adding gravel and pulverizing the existing black top and gravel and letting it set until 2022 to black top. The total cost for our town would be \$21,230.85. If we do the pulverizing and then black top, the life expectancy would be 20 years versus 10 years for

wedging and chip sealing. Motion by Nelson, seconded by Taft and carried to approve the project as presented.

NEW SIGNAGE AT TOWN HALL: Copper Creek Signs had presented designs for replacing the old sign in the front yard and above the front door. Motion by Bentley, seconded by Taft and carried to order the new sign.

APPROVAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES AND OPERATOR'S LICENSES: The Clerk reported that all applicants had passed the background checks except for one operator that is not able to be in a place that serves alcohol because of the third OWI. Motion by Taft, seconded by Bentley and carried to approve the licenses as presented.

COUNTY BOARD SUPERVISOR REPORT: Jim Meyer said the county is having trouble finding employees and has numerous vacancies in many departments. The Zoning office is a prime example with all the land use, septic, etc. permits and not being able to keep up.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS/CONCERNS: The Chairman said Broken Arrow Road will be completed with repairs and blacktopping tomorrow. The Town of Marshall approved the chip sealing of Rangeline Road at their May meeting.

SET NEXT AGENDA: Next meeting will be on July 12, 2021 beginning at 6:00 P.M. with town fees being reviewed.

Motion by Bentley, seconded by Taft and carried to adjourn at 6:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Mary Jane Nelson, Clerk