

TOWN OF WILLARD

August 9, 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. Those in attendance were: Judy Simpson, Linda Bentley, Shannon Barrois, Bob & Mary Jane Nelson, Don Vickerman and Dennis Bachman of Ntera. Supervisor Taft was excused.

AGENDA: There were no changes to the agenda.

MINUTES: Motion by Bentley, seconded by Nelson and carried to approve the minutes as printed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's report showed receipts of \$21,020.86 disbursements of \$82,353.44 resulting in an ending balance of \$69,615.92. The Contingency fund balance is \$12,309.78 and the Equipment fund balance of \$21,951.83. The ARPA funds balance is \$25,434.46. Total of all accounts is \$129,311.99. Motion by Bentley, seconded by Nelson and carried to approve as presented.

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

CLERK'S REPORT/APPROVE PERMITS ISSUED: The Clerk received the \$35.00 driveway permit fee from Linda Kinnee Stroot.

BUILDING/OTHER PERMITS: Brittany Bennett requested a permit to replace the deteriorating deck on her mobile home on Oak Ridge Road. Motion by Bentley, seconded by Nelson and carried to approve the permit.

D & J Cabin (Tollefson) requested a permit to move in a shed on their property for storage of water recreation items. The land use permit was approved by Rusk County Zoning office. Motion by Nelson, seconded by Bentley and carried to approve the permit upon payment of \$15.00.

Don Vickerman requested a permit to construct a storage shed on his property on the north side of County Highway D. The building could be close to a wetlands area and the clerk said he should contact the zoning office and get a land use permit if needed.

Jason and Sheila Wild of Whispering Pines Loop requested a permit to construct a patio on their property and had enclosed the land use permit. Motion by Bentley, seconded by Nelson to approve the permit.

PUBLIC INPUT: There was no public input.

OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business

NEW BUSINESS: Dennis Bachman of Citizens Telephone Corporation, Inc. said that they are going to be requesting funding from Rusk Counties federal grant they have applied for to expand broadband and their allotment of ARPA funds to assist in getting their fiber optic line further into our town. Their line now ends at Oak Ridge Road and if they could get it up to the town hall, there are a potential of 15 new customers it could serve. He also asked if the town would consider passing some of our ARPA funds to them to help them with the expansion. If they can get money from us and the county, they would order the supplies needed this fall in order to complete the project in 2023. He also said that any help he can get on getting

cooperation from the county would be appreciated. He will come back to the town when he has more concrete information available.

Approval of changes to town fees: Motion by Bentley, seconded by Nelson and carried to approve the fee schedule as presented.

COUNTY BOARD SUPERVISOR REPORT: Mr. Meyer was not in attendance.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS/CONCERNS: There were none.

SET NEXT AGENDA: Next meeting will be on September 13, 2021 beginning at 6:00 P.M.

Motion by Bentley, seconded by Nelson and carried to adjourn at 6:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Mary Jane Nelson, Clerk