MINUTES REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

THURSDAY, March 9th, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.

Present: Chairman Dale Mayo, Supervisors: Jennrich, Hogenmiller, Muehlbach, Champeny (via phone) were present. Rob Martinson, Fire Chief, John Barnekow, Public Works Foreman, Kendra Lederer, Clerk / Ambulance Director, Jennifer Steiner, Treasurer.

PROCEDURAL BUSINESS

1. Call meeting to order. 2. Pledge of Allegiance. 3. Approval of Agenda in the order of the Chairman’s discretion. Jennrich made a motion to approve the agenda, Champeny seconded. All voted aye, motion passed. 4. Approval of minutes from Regular Town Board meeting held on February 9th, 2023. Champeny made a motion to approve the minutes. Jennrich seconded. All voted aye, motion passed. 5. Reports on Standing and Special Committees: (a) Ambulance Dept. New springs installed on the ambulance. Working on getting new phones for the team. New stretcher is here, waiting for assembly and training. (b) Vol. Fire Dept. Need to replace 2003 brush truck. The CFD have the funds available to purchase the new truck. Jennrich made a motion to approve the purchase. Hogenmiller seconded. All voted aye, motion passed. Want to communicate to the community about the requirements for size and width to allow the Fire Trucks and Ambulance to have access to their residence. (c) Highway Dept. (d) Library (e) Parks-Recreation. The committee would like to add a fire pit in the park area with a pitching pump. Park committee will work with the CFD and Hwy Dept to determine location. (f) Conover Outdoor Rec Cmte. (g) Sanitation Dept. (h) Town Facilities. The fire alarm installation is in progress. (i) Conover Chamber of Commerce. (j) Finance Committee. (k) Broadband Committee. (l) Lakes Committee; Annual meeting is next month. Looking into a CPR class for resort owners. Wake boat restrictions will happen at the state level if pursued but not at a town level at this time. Towns are in no position to enforce. Restrictions will probably not happen for several years. No further action is warranted by the Town at this time. (m) Property Committee; (n) Planning Commission;

NEW BUSINESS

1. Appointment of Art Kunde to Conover Planning Commission: Jennrich made a motion to approve his appointment. Muehlbach seconded. All voted aye, motion passed

2. Bright Variance Request: Vilas County has approved pending Conover approval. Muehlbach made a motion to approve the variance. Jennrich seconded. All voted aye, motion passed

3. Possible Rezone for Parcel 008-739 on River Hill Road: New owners want to sub-divide the parcel. The Planning Commission recommends that they move it from forestry to single family. Jennrich made a motion to approve the rezone. Muehlbach seconded. All voted aye, motion passed

4. Update on Possible New Well for Equestrian Trail Campground: Priced out deeper well, $40K and up. County has this as a high priority on their list, County Finance Committee will be reviewing next week. Town may pitch in on the well cost if they were to go with a high efficiency well..

5. Possible Land Trade with Vilas County: The Town has 10 acres around the shooting range and Ski Hill Road, looking at trading that for a 25 acre parcel which is right next to town property already. This would expand the towns options. Jennrich made a motion to approve the discussion with Vilas County for a potential land swap. Mayo seconded. All voted aye, motion passed

6. Letter of support to Vilas County for proposed Torch Lake to Conover Bike Trail: Muehlbach made a motion to approve the letter of support providing the further planning does not interfere with existing recreation trails and does not include any financial commitment on the part of the Town. Jennrich seconded. All voted aye, motion passed

7. County Land Acquisition – Chad Keranen, Forest Administrator for Vilas County presented the land acquisition proposal to the Board. Development of lots on East Buckatabon. Muehlbach made a motion to support the acquisition. Jennrich seconded. All voted aye, motion passed

8. Letters and Communications. Pictures were submitted of possible carpet cleaning waste being dumped on our roads. A letter will be sent to property owner.

9. Financial Reports: Claims, Budget vs. Actuals

10. Bartender, Picnic Licenses

11. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted by: Kendra Lederer, Town Clerk

Minutes to be approved at the next Regular Town Board Meeting on April 13h, 2022