

Regular Monthly Board Meeting Minutes, Town of Russell

June 14th, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

- Notice of this meeting was posted 1 public place and on website.

- Chairman Robert Kressel called the Town of Russell board meeting to order on June 14th, 2022 at 6:00 pm at the Russell Town Hall. All board members present, clerk, treasurer, 4 town residents and 3 guests.

- **Robert opened meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance**

- **Bid Opening:** Chairman Kressel opened the sealed bids received for granite and gravel.
 - Red Rock – Screened Granite \$16.24/cy; Road Base \$21.99/cy
 - Meverden- Screened Granite \$18.62/cy; Road Base \$12.44/cy
 - Worden- Screened Granite \$15.45/cy; Road Base \$20.01/cy
 - Peterson Brothers- Road Base \$17.55/cy
 - Musson Brothers – Road Base \$21.40/cy

After careful review of all presented bids, consideration of past experience with contractors and voiced-concerns from Jesse; Supervisor Heller made a motion to accept the bid from Red Rock for granite and Peterson Brothers. Supervisor Sosnovske seconded. Motion carried.

- **The minutes** from the May Town Board meeting were reviewed, approved with a motion by Chairman Kressel, second by Supervisor Heller. Motion carried.

- **Treasure Report** – no updates

- **Vouchers-** Received and examined by board. Chairman Kressel made motion to pay vouchers. Supervisor Heller Seconded. Motion carried.

- **Clerk** – Clean Sweep Day re-cap. \$516.50 to be paid by town for ½ (76 tires, 10 rims/tires, 12 TVs). Survey was handed out at recycling day. 22 total residents responded (on-line and in-person). In response to additional hours needed, it was split (9 yes, 8 no and 5 unsure).

- **Road Report/Issues** –
 - Bids already opened

- Jesse reported before the Dudley & Axen bridge, after scoria pulled work is needed badly.
 - Supervisor Heller stated concerns of town watching spending so we aren't out of money come winter with current economy and increasing prices.
 - R&H/Deer Shiners corner needs gravel, at least 3 loads.
 - Jesse asked Supervisor Sosnovske about status from Harrison and if we heard back from that. Marty stated it would take time and may not know until towards beginning of next year. Continue to maintain as normal until then.
 - Jesse called Diggers Hotline regarding Town Hall Road work.
 - Chairman Kressel received complaint from resident on Axen Road about a dump trucks speed and dust created. Robert will call Annie or suggest to contact the Sherriff's office.
 - Brian would like cracks filled on bridges. Robert will check with Simon Seal Coating.
 - Cold Mix needed for large hole on Bayer Street by the bowling alley. Brian to fill.
 - Road Tour noted in order of priority - #1 crack fill to maintain, #2 Bradley St, #3 gravel & granite. Bradley may have to wait due to finances and look into grants or supplemental funding. Due to large cost of project and lack of funds available.
 - Salt & Sand pad for town would need to be blacktopped with curb and covered. Due to funds, the town may need to hold off on completing this.
- **Recycling -**
 - Floyd Albright present at meeting and brought up concerns; dumpsters full; need large sign saying what is acceptable for recycling. Robert will check into getting large sign made. Gave Floyd handouts to give to people of the Recycling Guidelines. Also posted on town website. The dumpsters will be moved to the circle. Chairman Kressel made a motion to change Recycling to the 2nd Saturday of the month effective January 2023. Second by Supervisor Heller.
- **Liquor Licenses –**
 - Town Clerk presented names of license renewals to the board. Noted that Ma's Place will now also hold Class B liquor as the Boar's Nest is no longer in business. Chairman Kressel made motion to approve licenses as applied for. Supervisor Heller seconded. Motion carried.
- **BOR –** Jeremy Kurtzweil, out town assessor, asked us to pick a day for Board of Review. Board chose Tuesday, August 2nd from 4-6 p.m. Amy to notify Jeremy; who will then determine Open Book date.
- **Public Input**
 - Robert noted letter was received from resident Donna Klinkert regarding noise pollution and obnoxious smells from ATV's/UTV's on Second Ave by villa. Letter read.
 - Angela Cummins present and asked who plows for the town. It was explained that the Town of Russell has 44 miles of roads. Highway 17 is maintained by County, all other roads the town is responsible for. She noted the County is short on employees and is aware of concerns.

- Brian noted he attended the 5/19/22 meeting at the County building regarding new voting equipment. The voting equipment will need to be replaced probably next year.

No further business. Meeting adjourned by Chairman Kressel at 7:20 p.m.

Next board meeting, Tuesday, July 12th at 6 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Amy Brown, clerk