

Regular Monthly Board Meeting Minutes, Town of Russell
March 14, 2023 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 March 14th, 2023 at 6:04 pm at the Russell Town Hall. All board members present, clerk, treasurer, 3 town residents and 2 guests.

- Chairman Kressel opened meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

- **The minutes** from the February Town Board meeting were reviewed. Minutes approved with motion by Chairman Kressel, Second by Supervisor Heller. Motion carried.

- **Treasurer's Report** –
 - Donation received and deposited to First Responders account.
 - Next month the Deposits to Bridge and Equipment CD's due

- **Clerk** –
 - **Vouchers**- Received and examined by board. Chairman Kressel explained the large Pomasl billing, it is for updating Firefighters outdated equipment. Must be replaced every 10 years. Also noted that after many years of service, Bonnie Prueser is retiring as treasurer, Jamie Rusch will be taking over her duties. Jamie will work with Amy in updating the accounts for the Fire Department. Supervisor Heller made motion to pay vouchers. Supervisor Sosnovske Seconded. Motion carried.
 - **QB Accountant** – Need for Quickbook accountant as proposed by clerk. Motion to approve by Robert. Second by Marty. Motion carried. Marty proposed and made motion to also look into updated computer system and getting a laptop, possibly using ARPA funds. Second by Robert. Motion carried. Amy will check into.

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- **Poll Workers** – currently have 5 trained poll workers, keep in mind if anyone would be interested in training for future elections.
- **BOR/Open Book Dates** – per Chairman Kressel, wait to schedule once new board is elected to avoid having to reschedule. Will set dates after April 11th board meeting.
- **Road Report/Issues** –
 - Jesse will start benching. Wants to hold off on weight limits for a week or two and see what weather does.
 - North end of Town Hall, snowmobiles got to before he could. Will need to work on getting fixed.
 - Turtle Lake culvert tabled until after road report.
 - Robert tried contacting Mr. Hanz regarding Federal Funding for bridges. We have 3 in township that need work. He will try contacting again.
 - Robert made a motion to increase mileage reimbursement according to IRS 2023 standards which is 65.5 per mile. Currently we pay .54 a mile; that was 2016 rate. Marty seconded. Motion carried. Effective 3/15/2023
 - Ball Diamond; continue to minimally maintain as we are currently doing. It is rarely used, but when land given to town it was with stipulation to keep as a baseball diamond.
 - **Town Garage** –
Overhead Door Company to come on 3/15 to adjust the door.
- **Town Hall** –
 - Men’s bathroom toilet leaking problems. Brian has replaced “guts” 3 times now. If a leaking issue occurs again, board agrees a new toilet should be purchased and replaced.
- **Zoning** –
 - No new reports
- **Public Comment** –

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- Supervisor Candidate Lori Studinski present at meeting and stated why she feels she is qualified for supervisor position. Incumbent Marty Sosnovske also stated his qualifications for wanting to continue as town board supervisor.

Next regular board meeting will be Tuesday, April 11th, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

No further business. Meeting adjourned by Chairman Kressel at 6:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Amy Brown, clerk