

Regular Monthly Board Meeting Minutes, Town of Russell
May 9th, 2023 at 6:00 PM

- 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 May 9th, 2023 at 6:02 pm at the Russell Town Hall. All board members present, clerk, treasurer, 10 town residents.
- Chairman Kressel opened meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- The minutes from the April Town Board meeting were reviewed. Minutes approved with motion by Chairman Kressel, Second by Supervisor Roggenbuck. Motion carried.
- **Treasure Report** – no outstanding business.
- **Clerk** –
 - **Vouchers**- Received and examined by board. Supervisor Studinski made motion to pay vouchers. Supervisor Roggenbuck Seconded. Motion carried.
 - **Board of Review** – May 17th from 4-6 p.m. Supervisors have completed training and certification submitted by clerk to the State.
 - **Road Inspection** – set date. Board agreed to meeting at the Town of Russell Municipal building at 5:15 on Tuesday, May 16th for road inspection. Clerk will post meeting.
- **Road Report/Issues** –
 - Jesse expressed concerns about culverts and need to take care of and fix ASAP. Robert agreed culverts need to be done as priority. Board approved replacing 4 culverts, hold off on bridge right now. Nathan wants to use ARPA funds for culverts. Jesse will check into pricing and coordinate schedules for having work done.
 - John Deere having problems and could be out of commission. Will look into other solutions.
 - Town Clerk asked about cost for billing-out the grader. Prices have been the same for years. Nathan made a motion to change the billing process for grading to \$135/hour. Second by Lori. Motion carried.
 - Robert received letter from North Central for road report. No charge this year.
 - Bridge report. Brian is working on. Sweeping and the approaches. New supervisors were given copies of the 2022 Bridge Report.
 - Potholes on Bradley and Crooked Bridge. Lori will get cold patch and coordinate with Jesse.
- **Cemetery** –
 - Proposal from JM Landscaping for cemetery maintenance/landscaping. Lori made a motion to accept proposal as presented. Nathan seconded. Motion carried.
- **ARPA** –
 - Nathan wants to use funds to spend on culverts
 - Administrative expenses (new computer) will be filed to use ARPA funds

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- Storm sewer? Terry said to double check on. That was a DOT project and should be State's issue. John Ronis suggested to stay on top of because manhole covers are falling in. Robert will look into.
- **Fire Department-**
 - Election of officers at FD Meeting. Bi-laws state recommendations for officers be made to the Town board. Supervisor Studinski made motion to approve Robert Kressel as Fire Chief. Supervisor Roggenbuck seconded. Motion approved.
 - FD Accounts. Amy and Jamie to get together to move money/update accounts
- **Public Comment –**
 - Town was served papers from Chad Walker's attorney. Robert made a motion to meet on May 16th at 5:15 prior to road inspection by board for open meeting to discuss the Walker case and approve legal counsel. Clerk will post.
 - Angela Cummins in attendance. Said she would be available after meeting for questions or comments on the Pine Crest issue.
 - Brian stated all road limits will be off by Thursday. Amy will respond to email requesting permit to exceed road limit on 2nd Ave. Brian found 5 tires in ditch. Will take by Nathan for recycling.

Next regular board meeting will be Tuesday, June 13th, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

No further business. Meeting adjourned by Chairman Kressel at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Amy Brown, c