December 12, 2022 Town of Evergreen

The December 12, 2022 Town of Evergreen monthly town board meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Tim Kessler at the Evergreen Town Hall, W8896 Carlton Rd, Spooner, and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. The meeting was properly advertised and all interested parties were notified.

Those present were Tim Kessler, Gary Scalzo, Tim Wallace, Larry Bascombe, Char Hedlund, Brad Kildow, Laurie Skayer and Julie Kessler.

Motion by Scalzo, second by Wallace, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion Carried

Motion by Scalzo, second by Wallace, to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2022 meeting as presented. Motion Carried

Clerk Kessler reported that she completed all the November Election reporting and the reporting for the tax bills to be generated. Tax bills will go in the mail tomorrow. Motion by Wallace, second by Scalzo, to approve the Clerk's report. Motion Carried

Chair Kessler gave the Treasurer's report. This is a different format and all but one account balances with the bank statements. That account looks like it is missing a deposit but has not been found yet. Motion by Scalzo, second by Wallace, to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion Carried

Chair Kessler reported that after the November meeting Mary Zehm left a letter of resignation for the Treasurer's position effective immediately. Motion by Scalzo, second by Wallace, to have Julie Kessler perform the Treasurer's duties until a new Treasurer is elected in April. Motion Carried

Motion by Wallace, second by Scalzo, to pay Julie Kessler the Treasurer's monthly salary until the positon is filled by election. Motion Carried

Chair Kessler reported that the bank made an error in process and instead of refinancing our building loan, they pulled the full payment due from our account. The bank will refund the money and refinance the loan if the town wished. Motion by Scalzo, second by Wallace, to leave the building loan paid off and not refinance the loan. Motion Carried

Chair Kessler reported that the new plow truck should be delivered the last week of December. The truck company offered almost 7% for financing and Shell Lake State Bank offered 5%. Motion by Scalzo, second by Wallace, to approve financing of the new truck with the Shell Lake State Bank and use the AARPA funds as our down payment. Motion Carried

Chair Kessler asked the board what they would like to do with the existing plow truck. After discussion, a motion was made by Wallace, second by Scalzo, to retain the 2013 Western Star as a second patrol truck. Motion Carried

Larry Bascombe reported that they completed the brushing and have plowed and sanded. There was an issue on Saturday afternoon with a ridge of snow being left in the roadway and the Sheriff's Deputy didn't think he could site anyone for that. All the Deputies have now been informed that they can site residents for leaving snow in the roadway.

Chair Kessler reported on the North Memorial Ambulance meeting. The plan is to create an Advanced Support ambulance so they can increase their funding and change the verbiage in the contract as such.

There were no citizen's comments.

Chair Kessler reported on County Board happenings.

Motion by Scalzo, second by Wallace, to review and approve the bills. Motion Carried

Motion by Scalzo, second by Wallace, to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm. Motion Carried

Submitted by, Julie Kessler, Clerk