

The regular Board meeting of the Town of Fredenberg, Minnesota, St. Louis County was held in the Fredenberg Town Hall on Wednesday, January 4, 2023, at 7:00 PM.

- 1. Board members present:** Vice Chair Tim Wagner, Supervisors Jeff Blix, Clay Cich, Deb Pawlowicz, Walter Rapp, Clerk Ellen Hanson, Deputy Clerk Kim Wagner, and Treasurer Pam Blekestad.
Others in Attendance: There were 8 others in attendance and 0 on Zoom.

This was a hybrid meeting which was held in-person with a Zoom connection.

- 2. Call to order the Regular meeting:** The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Wagner at 7:00 PM.
- 3. Oath of Office:** Supervisors Cich, Wagner, and Blix recited the oath of office.
- 4. Pledge of allegiance:** All present stood and cited the pledge of allegiance.
- 5. Approval of the Agenda:** There was a motion by Supervisor Blix to approve the agenda and seconded by Supervisor Wagner. There was a roll call vote and all signified affirmatives. This motion carried unanimously.
- 6. Open Forum:** Bruce Anderson- Thanked his supporters.
- 7. Approval of the Minutes**
 - Regular meeting of December 7th, 2022: There was a motion by Supervisor Pawlowicz to accept the December 7th, 2022, Board of Supervisors meeting minutes as amended and seconded by Supervisor Cich. There was a roll call vote and Supervisor Ray, Wagner, Rapp and Pawlowicz all signified affirmatives. Blix abstain for vote because he was not a board member. This motion carried.
- 8. Financial Report – Pam Blekestad**
 - Blekestad reported the Clerk balances with the bank.
 - Treasurer Blekestad noted that the Certificates of Deposit (CD) have been transferred to a higher interest rate of 3.766%.
- 9. Clerks Report – Ellen Hanson**
 - Clerk Hanson presented the Cash control statement for Board review.
 - The Board reviewed the claims list.
 - There was a motion by Supervisor Pawlowicz to pay claims 10603-10609, 10626, 10628-10630 for a total of \$134,345.90 and seconded by Supervisor Rapp. There was a roll call vote and all signified affirmatives. This motion carried unanimously.
- 10. Correspondence**
 - Clerk Hanson read the correspondence. There were 12 total received: 5 mail and 7 emails.
- 11. Reports**
 - a. Roads report December 2022:
 - Supervisor Rapp reported the roads are in good condition.
 - Actions for the month were: clear tree branches from road, snow banks from hall corner was pushed back, and fire hydrant be dug out.
 - b. Fire Department report for December 2022:
 - Supervisor Wagner read the Fire Department Report from the Chief.
 - There were 3 calls in December.
 - Training for December: 3 members completed firefighting 1 and 2.
 - c. Cemetery report for December 2022:
 - Supervisor Rapp stated the cemetery is closed for the winter.
 - d. Parks and Recreation report for December 2022:
 - The new sweeper cannot be bought this year, scheduled for fall purchase. Leave on order.
 - Pawlowicz asked about renting a sweeper for this year.
 - A port-a-potty was placed at the sledding hill.

- e. Community Center & Pavilion report for December 2022:
 - Supervisor Cich reported there are no rentals for December.
 - May need a smaller griddle for kitchen.
 - In the spring Supervisor Cich will work on lower side of building.
- f. Recycling report for December 2022:
 - Recycling Center is operating well.
 - Pawlowicz suggested Clerk Hanson create a standard letter to be mailed out to those that are dumping non recycling items.
 - There were questions about the snow removal contract. For next year, add shoveling for specific areas.
 - Supervisor Rapp offered to plow after dumpsters are emptied.
 - It was suggested that gate be added to the entrance of the recycling center. Instead, Supervisor Blix suggested a camera/sign on center.
 - Clerk Hanson attended the Annual WLLSD meeting, where they discussed mostly the grant.
- g. Other Meetings for December 2022: Chair Ray and Supervisor Cich attended the County Board meeting.

12. Old Business

- a. Reservoir Riders mangers agreement is signed.
- b. Thermostat is missing from the upstairs women's bathroom.

13. New Business

- a. Set Board Reorganization: The Board agreed to have the Budget/Salary, Reorganizational and Audit meeting on January 18, 2023.
- b. Elect Chair and Vice Chair: There was a nomination by Supervisor Rapp to elect Tim Wagner as Chair and seconded by Supervisor Blix. There were no other nominations. Tim Wagner was pronounced Chair.
- c. Elect Vice Chair: There was a nomination by Supervisor Rapp to elect Deb Pawlowicz as Vice Chair and seconded by Supervisor Blix. There were no other nominations. Deb Pawlowicz was pronounced Vice Chair.

14. Adjourn

- a. There was a motion by Chair Wagner to adjourn meeting at 7:45 PM and seconded by Supervisor Cich. There was a roll call vote and all signified affirmatives. This motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Hanson
Clerk
Kim Wagner
Deputy Clerk

Tim Wagner
Board Vice Chair