

Town of Hamburg
Monthly Board Meeting
November 9, 2021
Hamburg Municipal Building

Present: Vogel, Czech, Artus, Tucker, Stubbe
Fire Department Chief Ryan DeBroux, Assistant Chief Kevin Borchardt, Representatives from Bug Tussel and Reach Connect (Cell/Internet Tower and Providers)

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Eric Vogel at 6:30pm.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

Clerk Dawn Czech read the October, 2021 meeting minutes. Motion to approve minutes as read by Supervisor Stubbe, seconded by Supervisor Artus. Motion carries.

Public Comment

None.

Bug Tussel Tower Update

Chris Peterson, Representative of Bug Tussel, Green Bay, reports that the tower on Hwy 107 (North of Hwy A) has gone live and is working to improve the signal within a 5-mile radius. Reps from Reach Connect of Wausau does the sales/installation of the AT&T service which is paired with the Tower. They also have cellular routers available to boost service signal on the edges of the service radius. There is a discount available to the Fire Department and its members as well.

2021-1 Ward Resolution

Resolution to Create Election Wards Under Section 5.15, Wisconsin Statutes, was read and a motion to approve the Resolution was made by Artus, seconded by Stubbe. Motion carries. Resolution will be posted in three places in the township and on the Hamburg Website.

Fire Department/EMR Report

Fire Department Chief DeBroux and Assistant Chief Borchardt reports the Air Packs and accessories, which are covered under the recently awarded FEMA Grant, have been partially received. Invoices will be forthcoming in the next few weeks.

DeBroux also reported he has spoken to area Fire Departments on the possibility of their need for our outdated air pack parts and accessories. It is yet to be determined what will be available to the other departments. Our new Air packs will be put into service possibly in January, 2022.

The annual FD Christmas party is scheduled for December 10th, 6 pm at the Town Hall.

New FD Bylaws will be effective January 1, 2022. This document will outline Procedures and Protocols that the Department will follow. The Bylaws will be issued to the members at the next monthly meeting.

The Department recommends delaying replacement of the Engine One tires until there is visible wear or deterioration.

The 2022 FEMA Grant deadline is approaching soon. The Department will be applying for monies to replace the water tanker which has been encouraged to be taken out of service.

Residents have volunteered access to their ponds for the FD to use. One on Schoolhouse Lane, one on Hwy S, and an additional pond in Spring, 2022 once an access has been cleared. Discussion was had on abandoning the FD pond hydrants, which are nonfunctional. No permanent plan was decided on.

The Fire Department North door doesn't latch properly. \$3000.00 has been quoted for total replacement. Ziebell Door of Merrill will be contacted to see what can be done for less cost by the FD. Upgrading the Municipal Building's South side windows for R-value was also suggested.

Chairman Report

Vogel reported the Board meeting with Corey Kaldunski resulted in plans for additional ditching both to the East and West on Skye Falls Drive. Ditching material removed will be placed on the Kaldunski property for their purposes.

Vogel received phone complaints on excess noise from a local dog kennel. He will discuss the problem with the owner, sighting the 1995 Hamburg Noise ordinance.

Supervisor Report

- Supervisor Artus reported questions on culverts. Supervisor Stubbe spoke to resident Bruce Krenz on Krenz's issues with an installed culvert on Lincoln Drive. Krenz stated he will pay for the culvert, but the fill material the Township used was too expensive. Standard culvert materials were used in the install. The Board hopes they can reach a conclusion to this issue, or the fill material will be removed in the Spring.

Treasurer Report

\$129,059.42 Bank Checking
\$49,246.56 Covid Grant monies from the State of WI (included in bank balance)
\$185,123.52 Machinery Fund
\$70,734.37 Fire Dept Engine Fund
\$1,000.00 Athens Credit Union (Tax Acct)

Treasurer Tucker updated Board on Email account changes.

Clerk Report

Czech has received email questions on November, 2021 election candidates, but was unable to reply with the requested information (email undeliverable). Board members were advised that the next Election will be February 15, 2022. This years Tax Data will be input into the County website at the end of November.

Upcoming Meetings

11-13-21 Road Meeting 8AM Town Shed

11-14-21 Town Board meeting 6:30PM

Accounts Payable and Receivable

Motion by Artus to accept Accounts Payable/Receivable, Stubbe seconds. Motion carries.

Motion to adjourn by Artus at 8:08 pm, seconded by Stubbe. Motion carries.

Dawn Czech, Clerk