TOWN BOARD MEETING FEBRUARY 12, 2024

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the Board of Supervisors, Town of Florence met on the 12th day of February, 2024 with Chairman Tim Bomberg and Supervisors John Holbrook and Shane McLain present.

On a motion by Holbrook and seconded by McLain the agenda was approved as posted. All in favor, motion carried.

The minutes of the previous meeting, held on January 22, 2024 were approved on a motion by Bomberg and seconded by Holbrook. All in favor, motion carried.

Andrew Maglio of 3929 East Shore Road addressed the board as to the status on the road improvement project on East Shore. Bomberg noted a breakdown of equipment caused a delay, but is now repaired. An engineer is surveying the properties and all property will be staked out. Highway Foremen, Chris Steber stated he hopes to see the road built by the end of June.

On a motion by McLain and seconded by Holbrook, operator licenses were approved for Desiree Franzen for the Gold Nugget and Hicate Philipps for Camping in the Clouds. All in favor, motion carried.

Ann Price, Director of Florence County Human Services Department was in attendance to inform the board about the services in which they offer to families, children, those with mental health issues, and addictions as well as domestic violence. Most of the services are based on the ability to pay or are free. Price added that the Department receives funding from the state and federal governments, but added a small percentage is budgeted by the county.

Discussion was had about the progress to the automated garbage collection. Clerk/Treasurer, Shelly VanPembrook stated that the town has delivered another 90 carts to residents and that the Green for Life driver has stopped in the office to communicate issues he sees on refuse collection day. VanPembrook suggested an article be published in the Florence Mining and posted to the town website informing the public.

On a motion by McLain and seconded by Holbrook a Class B Liquor License was approved for Saloon No 2 of Spread Eagle, WI Inc. at 687 US Hwy 2 Florence. Mark Hicks owner/agent. All in favor, motion carried.

Clerk/Treasurer, Shelly VanPembrook submitted January bank reconciliation reports for savings accounts, January journal entries and Timber Cut Notices for board review.

VanPembrook submitted a letter from a property owner at 5077 First Crossing Rd, requesting blacktop paving in front of his cottage, as the dust is a safety issue.

Fire Department bills totaling \$3,446.00 were approved for payment on a motion by McLain and seconded by Holbrook. All in favor, motion carried.

Monthly town bills totaling \$63,712.15 and automatic withdrawals in the amount of \$14,955.44 were approved on a motion by McLain and seconded by Holbrook. Motion carried.

Holbrook received a call from a town resident who said they saw a Town of Florence refuse collection cart in MI, across the Pine Mountain Road along with other Waste Management collection carts. Steber was asked to check into this.

Bomberg reported that in May of this year, replacement of sanitary sewer lines will take place on Central Avenue. The WI DOT is requiring the replacement prior to their repaving of US-2 from Pewabic Street to Fischer Lake Road in 2025. Discussions are being had to reduce the amount of disruption to businesses during this time.

There being no further business, it was moved by McLain and seconded by Holbrook to adjourn until February 26, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the community center. All in favor, motion carried.

Submitted by:

Shelly VanPembrook Clerk/Treasurer