

TOWN BOARD MEETING
MARCH 24, 2028

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the Board of Supervisors, Town of Florence met on the 24th day of March, 2025 with Chairman Tim Bomberg and Supervisor John Holbrook present. Supervisor McLain was excused.

On a motion by Holbrook and seconded by Bomberg the agenda was amended to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, held on March 10, 2025 instead of February 24th, 2025. All in favor, motion carried.

Carol and Jamie Brewington of 6340 Harding Road were in attendance to inquire if and when the town will be putting time into rebuilding Harding Road. Brewington's stated now that weight restrictions are on, they now receive mail twice a week and have to bring their refuse to the intersection of Duck Lake Road and Harding Road. Brewington's also stated their vehicles are taking a beating and just feel that there are things the town can do to improve the road they also stated that the gravel is poor quality because of the clay ground, they get either mud or dust. Brewington mentioned that emergency vehicles may not be able to travel Harding Rd in the condition it is in.

Tom Brandt also was in attendance from 5839 Duck Lake Road who also stated additional work is needed on Duck Lake with a culvert installed.

Bomberg stated that the town is aware of the condition of Harding Road and that the "new" board will need to prioritize the road work. Bomberg stated every spring break-up is different and different portions break-up worse than others, but not each year. Bomberg stated that the entire road of Harding has to be rebuilt.

An operator license for Arjun Kc for Bigfoot Liquors was approved on a motion by Holbrook and seconded by Bomberg. All in favor, motion carried.

One hot mix proposal from NE Asphalt was received to pave Chapin St to Bill Anderson Drive for an amount of \$140,324.40 and In Comm Dr to the intersection of Montgomery Lake Rd and Olive Ave. in the amount of \$37,924. On a motion by Holbrook and seconded by Bomberg it was approve to accept NE Asphalt hot mix paving proposal in the amount of \$178, 248.40. All in favor, motion carried.

Bomberg reported that a committee made up of County Highway Commissioner Joe Witynski, Town Highway Foreman, Chris Steber and himself reviewed all 6 proposals received for engineering services to design the Pentoga Bridge over the Brule River. This is a federal grant with anticipated 100% funding and the project won't be completed until 2028. On a motion by Bomberg and seconded by Holbrook it was moved to accept Ayers Associates for the designing engineering firm of the Pentoga Bridge. All in favor, motion carried.

On a motion by Bomberg and seconded by Holbrook it was approved to accept the updated items to the MOU with Florence County Aging and Disability Resource dated March 2025. The items updated were to include Pepper Allergy Alert, refuse/recycling changes and water freezing mitigation efforts. All in favor, motion carried.

Clerk/Treasurer, Shelly Van Pembrook submitted February bank reconciliation report for the Medial Insurance and timber cut notices received for board review.

Fire Department bills totaling \$3,051.72 were approved for payment as well as monthly town bills totaling \$42,450.26 and automatic withdrawals in the amount of \$20,091.19 on a motion by Holbrook and seconded by Holbrook. All in favor, motion carried.

There being no further business it was moved by Bomberg and seconded by Holbrook to adjourn until April 14, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the community center. All in favor, motion carried.

Submitted by:

Shelly VanPembrook
Clerk/Treasurer