

TOWN  
BOARD MEETING  
APRIL 14, 2025

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the Board of Supervisors, Town of Florence met on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025 with Chairman Tim Bomberg and Supervisors John Holbrook and Shane McLain present.

After the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, a motion made 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 March 24, 2025, were approved on a motion by Holbrook and seconded by McLain. All in favor, motion carried.

Scott Sternhagen, CPA for CliftonLarsonAllen, LLC was in attendance to review the Towns' 2024 Year End financial report. Sternhagen stated that the Florence Utilities financials are not included with the towns because the Utilities were not available at the time. Sternhagen stated that the revenues at year end compared to the actual budget was \$314,445 more and that expenditures were under budget by \$8,852 leaving the town with a healthy fund balance and available assigned balances for the unexpected. The town board thanked Sternhagen for attending and appreciates CLA's working with the town.

On a motion by McLain and seconded by Holbrook operator license applications were approved for Krysta Rose Bush for the Gold Nugget and Carli Leet for Crafter's on Central. All in favor, motion carried.

A Class B Liquor License for Lakeside B&B, LLC Janelle Ruohomaki, Owner/Agent was approved on a motion by McLain and seconded by Holbrook. All in favor, motion carried.

On a motion by McLain and seconded by Holbrook a donation of \$1,000 to the Keyes Lake Improvement Association was approve to aide them in their management of Eurasian Milfoil as well as other invasive species. All in favor, motion carried.

Shelly VanPembrook, Clerk/Treasurer submitted all March bank reconciliation and journal entry and timber cuts notice for review.

VanPembrook also submitted a letter of retirement from the Clerk/Treasurer position to the town board as of 4/15/25 but will stay on until May 2, 2025 until a replacement for the Deputy Clerk/Treasurer is found.

Fire Department bills totaling \$764.66 were approved for payment on a motion by Holbrook and seconded by McLain. All in favor, motion carried.

Monthly town bills totaling \$61,401.72 and automatic withdrawals in the amount of \$2,010.84 were approved on a motion by Holbrook and seconded by McLain. All in favor, motion carried.

In attendance were Florence Utilities Manager, Roger Secrist, Financial Manager, Kristina Williams, Commissioners Gene Lefeber, Dennis Krueger and Andy Kelley to congratulate and recognize Chairman Tim Bomberg and Supervisor, John Holbrook for their years of service to the town. Included in this recognition was VanPembrook. It was announced that a small reception will take place prior to the 2025 Annual Meeting tomorrow at 5:30 to recognize their service.

Bomberg thanked all present for their support and stated it was a pleasure to serve the public and added he knows that not everyone may be pleased with his decisions, but noted you can't keep everyone happy and he always did what he thought best for the town . Bomberg wished the new Town Chairman, Jim Gehlhoff and Supervisor, Tom Tuchalski best wishes and thanked them for their interest to serve. Holbrook reiterated Bomberg's expression and comments.

There being no further business it was moved by McLain and seconded by Holbrook to adjourn until April 28, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the community center. All in favor, motion carried.

Submitted By:

Shelly VanPembrook  
Clerk/Deputy