

COTTON TOWN BOARD MEETING

October 9, 2007

The meeting was called to order at approximately 5:30 p.m. in the township office, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present were Supervisor Dennis Olsen, Supervisor Terry Nelson, Supervisor Will Deyo, Treasurer Debbie Leppala and Clerk Sandi Nelson. Resident Ken Hage was also present.

The clerk read the minutes. Terry Nelson motioned, supported by Will Deyo to accept the September 13th meeting minutes as read. Dennis Olsen aye. Terry Nelson aye. Will Deyo aye. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

The treasurer presented the cash control statement.

GENERAL FUND: receipts \$0; disbursements \$4,517.93; total \$(-7,021.92)
NON-LEVY REVENUE: receipts \$996.10; disbursements \$0; total \$122,808.17
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: receipts \$0; disbursements \$96.01; total \$5,404.18
CHRONICLE FUND receipts \$537.80; disbursements \$939.53; total \$11,709.52
CEMETERY\OLD FUND: receipts \$0; disbursements \$112.52; total \$4,897.96
CEMETERY\NEW FUND: receipts \$0; disbursements \$0; total \$11,417.23
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND: receipts \$0; disbursements \$0; total \$6,249.50
PARKS & REC FUND: receipts \$0; disbursements \$430.48; total \$4,897.95
FIRE FUND: receipts \$0; disbursements \$51.44; total \$6,971.33
FIRE TRUCK FUND: receipts \$20.67; disbursements \$0; total \$10,081.02
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND: receipts \$250.00; disbursements \$0; total \$2,869.68
CPSSD FUND: receipts \$0; disbursements \$472.50; total (\$-87,873.71)
TOTAL RECEIPTS: \$1,804.57
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS: \$6,620.41
BALANCE ON HAND: 9/30/07 \$92,410.91

INVESTMENTS: CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSITS

NON-LEVY REVENUE FUND: CD \$26,358.05; interest \$342.15, total \$26,700.20
FIRE TRUCK FUND: CD \$24,249.42; interest \$314.78; total \$24,564.20
TOTAL INVESTMENTS: CD \$50,607.47; total \$ \$656.93; total \$51,264.40

Terry Nelson motioned, supported by Will Deyo to accept the Treasurer's Report as read. Dennis Olsen aye. Terry Nelson aye. Will Deyo aye. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Dennis Olsen motioned, supported by Terry Nelson to approve and sign the claims list for claim #13539 through #13569, claims totaling \$6,579.35 to pay the Bills For Payment. Dennis Olsen aye. Terry Nelson aye. Will Deyo aye. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Correspondence was reviewed.

Discussed the CVFD Fire Fighters Relief Assoc. paperwork has not been submitted to the Office of the State Auditor. Paperwork is ready for the accountant.

Community Center: Estimates from the electric companies were reviewed. Dennis Olsen motioned, supported by Will Deyo to go with Electric Systems for the electric work in the community center. Dennis Olsen aye. Terry Nelson aye. Will Deyo aye. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

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Ken Hage arrived at the meeting. Dennis Olsen motioned, supported by Terry Nelson to revise the agenda to hear from Ken Hage. Dennis Olsen aye. Terry Nelson aye. Will Deyo aye. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED. Ken Hage stated that the VFW Post 3044 would like to hang an original charter in the hall area. The Town Board stated the VFW may hang the charter. Ken informed the Board that there would be a Veteran Day program at the school on November 12, the VFW Bingo will be November 12. The VFW is getting medallions for the WWII people.

Regular order of business was resumed.

Roads & Gravel: With all the rain, there are some spots washing out on S. Strand Lake Road. There are residents that have concerns regarding the ditches along the cleared area of S. Strand Lake Road. Terry Nelson requested an estimate from Tracy Excavating to shape a corner that is high. Will Deyo will stake the corner that must be shaped. Terry Nelson stated that a load of gravel is need over the lake outlet culvert on Kauppi Lake Road and she had Tracy Excavating put a load of gravel at the cemetery and Rodda will get to the cemetery to spread the gravel when possible. Plan to have black dirt put at the cemetery. Class 5 prices was tabled.

Meetings: St. Louis Cty Assoc. of Township Officers annual banquet: Debbie Leppala and Sandi Nelson. St. Louis Cty Assoc. of Township Officers meeting: Debbie Leppala and Sandi Nelson.

Dennis Olsen motioned, supported by Terry Nelson to make reservations for three board members for the bus to the MAT Annual Conference. Dennis Olsen aye. Terry Nelson aye. Will Deyo aye. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Dennis Olsen motioned, supported by Will Deyo to send registration for four board members to attend the MAT Annual Conference for \$440. Dennis Olsen aye. Terry Nelson aye. Will Deyo aye. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Discussed the letter received from the Cotton Music Boosters. The program is in need of instruments and items for the students in elementary through senior high. The town board has the statutory right to contribute to a band or orchestra per SS449.09. The board would like representatives of the Music Boosters attend the November town board meeting. Clerk will contact Melody Swenson with the town boards request and ask if she would like to write up an article for the Chronicle.

Discussed the local assessor.

As there was no further business, Terry Nelson motioned, supported by Dennis Olsen that the meeting be adjourned at 6:54 p.m. Dennis Olsen aye. Terry Nelson aye. Will Deyo aye. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Town Clerk

Approved:

Town Chair

Date