

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MOUNT MORRIS TOWN BOARD
MEETING

March 10, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Mountain View Community Center by Chairman Daniel Nowak.

Members and others present: Chairman Daniel Nowak, Supervisor Greg Foster, Supervisor Paul Jarvis, Treasurer Virgil Cole, Clerk Alan Anderson, Ralph Shemanski, and Gary Frank.

A motion was made by Supervisor Foster to approve the Agenda. The motion was seconded by chairman Nowak. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor foster and seconded by chairman Nowak to approve the minutes of the 2-10-2015 meeting as printed and waived the reading to the minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Cole reported that on February 1, 2015 there was a total cash balance from both the State Farm Bank and 1st National Bank Checking Account of \$1,477,836.78. During February, there were recorded Revenues of \$539,124.26 of which were tax collections of \$532,052.88. There were disbursements approved by the Board totaling \$2,016,961.04. The 1st National Checking Acct. Bank Balance on February 28, 2015 was \$21,330.77. There were outstanding checks totaling \$7,241.86, leaving a balance that matches the February 28, 2015 working balance of 14,088.91. The total adjusted Bank balance on February 28, 2015 of both 1st National and State Farm Acct. is \$188,979.02. There is \$52,698.83 in the Equipment CD Fund, \$25,296.08 in the Assessor CD Fund and \$26,443.27 in the Repair Fund. \$32,367.18 is additionally temporarily held in Savings for the Assessor CD Fund. The current CD fund balance is \$104,438.18.

Assessor's Report: Clerk Anderson spoke with John Bodouski of Bowmar Appraisal and they have been working on the revaluation process. He also addressed the concern of this years State Budget Bill containing the plan of moving the assessment process from the townships to the County Level. Chairman Nowak read from the Wisconsin Towns Association's Newsletter which explained that the anticipate cost increase for doing the Assessment process would increase from somewhere between 400 to 500%. We have been asked to contact our legislators expressing our concern over this proposed change.

Road Maintenance: Ralph Shemanski said that Kubasta tree service has worked in the town for two days and is returning this week to continue as far as our budget allows. They are cutting down branches which the town crew are either chipping or removing from obstructing the roadway. Chairman Nowak advised Ralph to order supplies for crack filling.

Community Center Report: Supervisor Foster had no new report.

Land Use Planning: No new report.

Redgranite Fire District: Supervisor Jarvis reported they had no meeting.

Wautoma Fire District: Chairman Nowak reported no meeting.

Wild Rose Fire District: Supervisor Foster reported no meeting.

Saxeville-Springwater Fire Dept.: No report.

Community Wildfire Protection Plan: Supervisor Foster had nothing new to report.

Lake District Reports

Hills Lake Management District: No meeting.

Johns Lake Management District: No meeting.

Morris Lake Management District: Supervisor Jarvis said that there was some discussion about the pavilion and they were in support of replacing the old pavilion with a new one with public bathrooms.

Porters Lake Management District: No meeting.

Old Business: ATV Road Designation: No presentation was given today but Supervisor Jarvis asked that the Board take some action soon, preferably at the next month's board meeting. He said that the ATV club is not able to proceed with their activity until they know if we are going to allow the ATV Road Designation.

Town Park Pavilion: Chairman Nowak stated that he had spoken with the Leo from Modern Pole Builders and he was waiting on some electrical plans so that the committee could meet again to consider the overall plan and then to put it out for bids.

New Business: Choice of Financial Depository: Treasurer Cole presented his investigation into the comparison of rates for money market accounts between the 1st National Bank and State Farm. He discussed the advantages of getting deposits in faster to the 1st National Bank and the ease of making transfers between their money market and checking accounts. A motion was made by Supervisor Foster to establish the 1st National Bank's Money Market Account as the Depository Account for the Town of Mount Morris. That motion was seconded by Supervisor Jarvis. Motion carried.

Treasurer Cole also advised the Board of his investigation of Thrivent Financials Money Market accounts which have recently been paying a higher return but cautioned the board that the rate of return on these accounts fluctuate according the market and has had loses in the past. No action was taken on this matter.

Such other matters as may properly come before the Board: Nothing.

A motion was made by Supervisor Jarvis and seconded by Supervisor Foster to pay all the bills, including an invoice to Kubasta Tree Trimming & Removal for \$2,982.50. Motion carried.

The next town board meeting is Tuesday, April 21, 2015 immediately following the Annual Town Meeting which starts at 7:00 p.m., to be held at the MVCC.

A motion was made by Supervisor Jarvis and seconded by Chairman Nowak to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by

Alan Anderson, Clerk