

TOWN OF WEST SWEDEN-Monthly meeting March 21, 2023

Chairman Meier called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Present were Terry Taylor and Jerry Tischer supervisors, Lori Lundquist treasurer, Phyllis Wilder, clerk, and Chris Tewalt, patrolman.

Public input: None

Open bids for payloader, road right away clearing: Three bids were received for payloader. Bid #1 \$437.18, Bid #2 \$1913.00 and Bid #3 \$800. Motion by Supervisor Tischer to accept Bid #2 from Jacob Meier for \$1913.00, seconded by Supervisor Taylor, ayes: two, Chairman Meier abstained, carried.

Three bids for road right away clearing/cutting: Bid #1 \$226,800.00, Bid # 2 \$40,268.00, Bid # \$65,250.00. Motion Supervisor Tischer to accept Bid # 2 in part, covering road 360th Avenue, 338th Avenue, and 315th Avenue for a total of \$11,987.00 from Nick's Trucking & Excavating.

The clerk presented February meeting minutes, approved as presented.

The treasurer presented the February financial report, thanked the treasurer for her report.

Unfinished Business

Class B Road – weight restrictions: Signs are posted on 160th and 150th Street.

Winter road issues: 308th St has a big clay pot in road, 310th has ridges. Drifting on 145th causing problems, discussion on creating windrows to slow the drifting. Discuss with landowner while on the road inspection.

Updates on town hall/salt sand shed options: Chris has two estimates for salt sand shed, has shared information with Polk County Hwy Dept.

Update truck purchase: Working on getting the municipal fleet number to go forward, have secured loan at 4.95 % for 5 years from Sterling Bank.

Beaver contract: Contract from USDA \$2250., Tyler Phillips \$2000; Supervisor Tischer motion to accept Tyler's bid of \$2000 provided he has insurance coverage seconded by Chairman Meier. Ayes two, Taylor abstained. Carried.

Update on task force: Nothing new to report.

Review Building Inspector ordinance: Will vote on ordinance at the April meeting.

New Business

Approve clerk and treasurer job descriptions: Recommend adding interaction with chairman and treasurer to the clerk's job. Motion Chairman Meier to approve descriptions, Supervisor Tischer seconded, carried.

Employee/Highway report: Chris reported that plow truck went in for warranty work on def code, backhoe has slow leak in rear tire. Radios are on order. Signed up for MSHA training. Chairman commended Chris and Bruce for all their work this winter.

Review/pay bills: Motion Supervisor Taylor to approve the payment of bills check#17956 to 17972 , payroll and ACH payments totaling \$22,447.96 seconded Supervisor Tischer. Carried.

Correspondence: Wisconsin Dept Transportation is planning on resurfacing Highway 35 from Frederic to Luck in 2026. Letters from assessor about valuation changes, Open Book on March 30 from 1-3 to ask questions.

Next Month's agenda: UDC ordinance, BOR clerk ordinance.

Next monthly meeting Tuesday, April 18, 2023, Annual Meeting at 6:00 pm with board meeting to follow.

Motion Chairman Meier to adjourn, seconded Supervisor Taylor . Time: 7: 50 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis Wilder, Clerk