

**TOWN OF WEST SWEDEN-Monthly meeting
February 20, 2024**

Chairman Lundquist called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Present were Terry Taylor, supervisor, Phyllis Wilder, clerk, and Chris Tewalt, patrolman. Supervisor Jerry Tischer attended the Zoom. Residents: Craig Swanberg, Todd Miller, Jean Roedl and Jeff Roedl.

The clerk presented January meeting minutes, motion Supervisor Tischer to approve minutes, Chairman Lundquist seconded, motion carried.

The clerk presented the January financial report, motion Chairman Lundquist to approve financial report, Supervisor Taylor seconded, motion carried.

Public Input: Craig Swanson reviewed proposal for new town shop and had questions. Clerk recommended Craig to be added to the task force.

Roedl Winery: Jeff and Jean Roedl make wine and are interested in selling wine and having a tasting room. Discussion. Supervisor Taylor made the motion to approve to proceed with the Roedl's business of Windy Hill Winery and Vineyard and to seek the conditional permit and investigate licensing, Supervisor Tischer, seconded, motion carried.

Unfinished Business

Updates on town hall/shop: Discussion on the budget estimate for a new building, estimated budget cost of \$720,655.00 that includes permits, site excavating and building. Additional costs would include utility connections, paving and landscaping. This is an estimate, bids would be sought for actual construction.

Update Safe Routes to School: Chairman Lundquist attended the February 7th fact finding meeting. A mid-March meeting will have the cost of the project and present to the public the options of where the walkway would go between the elementary and high school.

Review utility ordinance: Discussion on current ordinance and Polk County policy for utilities. Tabled to March.

New Business

Approve open book and board of review dates: Board approved open book April 8 from 1-3 and Board of review April 24 1-3

Board of Review Training: Bruce and Phyllis will do the virtual on April 1 from 9- 11:30 am.

Employee/Highway report: Chris reported the mower repairs are done, Chris and Bruce attended MSHA training. Chris has performed the Small Bridge/Culvert 6-20ft Program- Inventory Phase. The big culverts that qualify as a small bridge/culvert under this program are 140th, the box culvert over Gandy Dancer on 150th, culverts on 345th Avenue and 357th Avenue. Need a set metric sockets, board approved purchase.

Review/pay bills: Motion Supervisor Taylor to approve the payment of bills check#18113- 18153, payroll and ACH payments including February tax settlement totaling 530,473.23, Supervisor Tischer seconded. Carried.

Correspondence: Delmore Consulting offer to inventory culverts

Next Month's agenda: winery licensing, utility ordinance

Next monthly meeting Tuesday, March 19,2024 at 6 pm.

No other business, Chairman Lundquist adjourned meeting.

Time: 7:14 pm

Respectfully submitted, *Phyllis Wilder, Clerk*