

Town of Burns
Regular Meeting
February 8, 2018

Supervisor Frank Karnes called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

Present: Supervisor Frank Karnes, Superintendent Steve Mullen, Council: Dianne Freiner, Larry Thompson, David Ras, Richard Butler, DCO: John Owens, Historian: Holley Spencer and Clerk Mary Duthoy.

Highway Report: Town Crew has made 25 trips plowing snow. They fixed a leak in roof where the new addition connects with the old. The new loader has arrived.

Highway & General Fund Bills: Highway abstract #2 containing vouchers #13-23 totaling \$6836.98 and General Fund abstract #2 containing vouchers #5-12 & totaling \$3246.25 were approved for payment on a motion made by Richard Butler and seconded by David Ras. Carried.

Dog Control: Reported dog left out in cold weather, family notified and situation taken care of. Suggested: getting grant for new building with in ground heating. Mr. Owens has requested to have a badge of identification as DCO. He was given permission by the Board to purchase a badge and bring the bill to the Town of Burns. Board member Richard Butler suggested he get a rabies shot and bill the Town also.

Historian: Holley brought information to the Board on the historical signs for the jail. There are grants for these signs if the Town wishes to pursue one. It was suggested by the Board that the Town in good faith purchase one themselves as lead for the Village to also purchase at least one for the Main St. district.

Clerk Report: Revenue for the month of January was 36.00 with the Supervisor receiving \$25.28.

Planning Board: The planning board has been discussing solar and wind energy for the area. It is suggested that we get laws on the books first before a project gets underway. The Brownfield Group has already approached the Town Board and several residents in the area for a solar project. The Assessor and the Code Enforcement Officer should be approached for help with regulations.

Correspondence: A letter from the County Board of Elections with contract for use of building for elections.

A letter from Armstrong Telephone who is the bid winner for the State's broadband initiative stating they would be installing high speed fiberoptic data lines throughout the Town. They are looking for a place to install an equipment shelter that provides backup power and the distribution equipment for the fiberoptic lines that will go out to customers' homes and businesses. They would like to discuss the possibility of somewhere near the highway building. The Supervisor will check the legality of leasing Town property.

Letter from the County Board of Elections with contract for use of this building for Elections. The Supervisor will sign and return.

The motion was made by Larry Thompson and seconded by David Ras to go into executive session at 8:20pm to discuss the union contract.

David Ras made the motion seconded by Dianne Freiner to adjourn the executive session and return to regular meeting at 8:46pm carried.

The motion was made by Dianne Freiner and seconded by Richard Butler to accept union contract with the Teamsters. Carried.

Larry Thompson made the motion seconded by David Ras to adjourn at 9:15pm.

Carried. Respectfully submitted,