Town of Exeter Regular Board Meeting

Monday, March 14, 2022 - 7:01PM

Ted Fahey, Mark Gundlach, Kent Brauer and Clerk Sass present.

Town members: Siegfried Eckhardt (Siggy), Ron Venden, Chris Backes, Doug Meyers, Al Chapman (Al's Dayton Place),

Notice legally posted

Minutes: Minutes from February 14, 2022, regular meeting presented. Motion to approve February 14, 2022, regular meeting minutes (MG/KB), all in favor, approved.

Treasurer Report: Dawn summarizes balance as of February 28, 2022: \$521,425.49. ARPA fund at Monona Bank has \$109,862.29. **MOTION to approve report (MG/KB)**, all in favor, approved.

Announcements: April election is Tuesday, April 5. In-person absentee will begin on Tuesday, March 22.

Supervisor report: Ted – complaint about drainage on Wettach Rd. Not much runoff so Ted could not really evaluate, site four driveways on Cardinal Crest. The old Hideaway may be torn down in the next two weeks – DeSmet hired to tear down. EMS meeting last week. It is very drafty in the building so new windows and a new roof are needed. The building is 23 years old. A new ATV is on order to use to drive the trails. Mark at Highway today – price of asphalt went down but seal coating went up. Mark has cost sheets from Payne and Dolan. ATV's – form that needs to be completed (County Roads). Neighbors need to be notified. This is for county roads only. If they want to use town roads, Exeter will need to decide. Kent – Al Chapman blind-sided us on Friday. He is unhappy with Brian Flannery. Has not heard from him since January and has contractors on site and additional contractors coming next week.

Citizen Input: Doug Meyers – received a letter from Gardiner Appraisal that they want to come in and re-assess because of a reconstruction of garage. He allowed Gardiner into every building on their property. He did come in for Open Book and had assessment lowered. Doug is not impressed with their actions. Mark said a neighbor of his also received a letter. Mark's neighbor also had let Gardiner in and now they want to come back again. Ted is not happy that it took almost three years, which delayed tax bills. This is the first time we had in-home assessments. Siggi – broadband update. Broadband speed test – Federal survey. Siggi wants to begin going house to house to survey town residents about their broadband needs and interests. County broadband policy has been set. TDS and Frontier – TDS does

not want to come into Belleville unless they get 70% of homes. Litewire has updated their service. Siggi said his is working great. This is High Speed only; most residents do have internet access. Over the next two years gain high speed in Exeter, use ARPA funds. It would be \$14,000 per mile for buried cable in Exeter. Post survey at all three sites and on website.

Ron Venden – Can I get on the agenda for the April meeting? I would like to get the lot approved. All the farmers are getting approved for 1.5-acre lots and driveway permits. Ted said we will put you on the agenda. Mark said we are not picking on you but according to the land plan you need thirty acres. Ron already sold two lots and cannot understand why he cannot have the lot now. Land use plan has been in effect for 22 years. Ted said he can come to the Planning Commission. Ron said the lots were created 18 years ago – when land use plan was in effect. Kent – can an exception be made to the land use plan? Evaluated on a per case request. Ted would really like Ron to attend a Plan Commission meeting.

Al – is the Hideaway coming down? Travis DeSmet said he was hired to tear it down. Is there going to be a tubing business? The guy is a snake. Be wary.

Committee Reports: Park committee meeting on March 2, bench ordered in memory of Zweifel. Party in 2023 – Community Picnic. Restroom building? Al said he knows someone who can build it. Septic or holding tank? Lighting. Mark Hellenbrand has pumped the port-a-pottys since day one at no charge to the town. Bucky's wanted \$200.00 per month. Senior Center is open. No other comments.

Unfinished: None.

New Business:

• Bills – Pelliteri fuel surcharge - \$503 for first three months - Motion to pay the bills (KB/MG), all in favor, approved.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn, (MG/KB), all in favor, adjourned 7:54PM

Respectfully Submitted, Dawn Marie Sass, Clerk/Deputy Treasurer