

Ogema Township

Regular Town Board Meeting

October 8th, 2020

The Ogema Town Board held their regular monthly meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 8th, 2020 at the Ogema Town Hall. The following were present: Charles Kramer, Ronald Meehan, Anne Haas, Sharol Huggett and Robert Sunstrom.

Chairman Charles Kramer called the meeting to order. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Agenda was approved and/or corrected on a motion by Ronald Meehan and second by Anne Haas. Motion carried. All voting, yes.

Open Forum / Citizens input – None

Clerk's report was approved and/or corrected on a motion made by Ronald Meehan and second by Anne Haas. Motion carried. All voting, yes. Clerk to file.

The Treasurer's report was approved and/or corrected on a motion made by Ronald Meehan and second by Anne Haas showing a balance of \$ 36,693.54 in Checking as of October 1st, 2020 and a balance of \$6,171.17 in Cemetery CD and \$5.00 in Savings. Motion carried. All voting, yes. Motion to pay the bills was approved by Ronald Meehan and second by Anne Haas. Motion carried. All voting, yes. There were 8 claims paid for the total amount of \$5,620.85 and payroll of \$2,415.07.

Federated Co-ops	# 4443	\$ 357.22	Propane Pre-buy
East Central Electric	# 4444	\$ 57.63	Town hall electric
Couri and Ruppe.	# 4445	\$ 315.00	Legal fees
Northstar Media	# 4446	\$ 58.10	Public notice
Summerland Excavating Inc.	# 4447	\$ 2,645.00	Gravel and grading
Robert Sunstrom	# 4448	\$ 213.90	Mileage
MATIT	# 4449	\$ 1,956.00	Insurance
Robert Sunstrom	# 4450	\$ 18.00	Midtown dump charges
Town Board member	# 4451	\$ 267.81	Wages / town hall worker
Town Board member	# 4452	\$ 253.96	Wages / salary
Town Board member	# 4453	\$ 50.79	Wages
Town Board member	# 4454	\$ 838.96	Wages / mowing
Town Board member	# 4455	\$ 1,003.55	Wages / salary / th. worker

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Old Business

1. Supervisor, Charles Kramer has stated that he has tried to contact Patrick and Mary Kester about the ongoing issue with a permit for their business. He has not gotten any response. Tabled. Also Clerk mentioned that he has given the Kester's a CD copy of the August Town Board meeting and requested that they remit a check for \$15.00 for recording this with my time involved. They have sent township a check for this amount.
2. Supervisor, Charles Kramer mentioned that the tractor with boom and rotary cutter will be delivered the week of October, 19th and we will use it for a week. Brush and mow all township roads except Fox and Town Hall roads. Also mow on north and east sides of Bangs Brook Cemetery where able. Clerk to prepare resolutions for both supervisor's Charles Kramer and Ronald Meehan for duties of mowing while operating the tractor on behalf of the township.
3. Supervisor, Ronald Meehan said to not make payment to Double W Tree Service for unfinished mowing and brush removal work they were trying to get paid for. On a motion made by Charles Kramer and second by Anne Haas, 6 to 8 loads of gravel need to go onto Old Ferry Road down the hill and 2 loads onto Ojibwe Road and Alma Razor Road, at wash out. Culvert pipe needs to get cleaned out and removal of beavers also. Ronald will work this out with trapper and Summerland Excavation.
4. Treasurer, Sharol Huggett to check with USDA Grant Representative and see if any paper work needs completion. He responded by saying, he has been busy working on two other projects, but will look into our grant within a month. Tabled.
5. Clerk read letter sent by Rodney Matrious withdrawing application for a cell phone tower at this time. He stated that they need more time to get information together.
6. Any other old business.

New Business

1. Clerk handed out claim sheets for next month's meeting.
2. Clerk showed town board the road certification paperwork prepared and asked for approval. On a motion made by Ronald Meehan and second by Anne Haas, Town Board approved road certification. Motion carried. All voting, yes. Clerk to mail to Mark Lebrun.
3. Clerk handed out proposed 2021 Town Board schedule and asked for feedback at next town meeting with an approval. Change to February's meeting to the 4th rather than the 11th.
4. On a motion made by Ronald Meehan and second by Anne Haas, 3 Cemetery Deeds were approved for sale at a cost of \$175.00 each. Motion carried. All voting, yes. Sales were to Jenifer Cloutuier, Jon and Sarah Benson, Steven and Karin Benson. Also Robert Benson, Steven Benson and Jon Benson will now be under our township Workers Compensation Policy as Grave Measurers.
5. Any Board Member can attend the Pine County Officers Meeting.
6. Clerk read email sent by Pine County on Covid update for General Election.
7. Clerk mentioned that the contractor to provide compound work and knockdown to walls in old building will be here on October 19th thru the 21st.
8. Clerk mentioned that he has a resident that would like to volunteer his services in helping with cleaning up the town hall grounds. On a motion made by Ronald Meehan and second by Anne Haas, resident is approved to provide these services. Motion carried. All voting, yes. Resident will fill out proper paperwork for donating time.
9. Clerk read e-mails or other correspondence.

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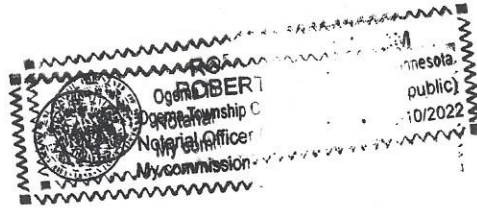
- 10. Clerk showed miscellaneous mailings.
- 11. Anne Haas mentioned that it would be a good idea if the town hall had its own tool kit for small maintenance jobs. Charles Kramer offered to supply items that could be used. Tabled.

Pine County Officers meeting on October 24th, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. in Hinckley.
 Next Town Board meeting on November 12th, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Ogema Town Hall.

On a motion by Ronald Meehan and second by Anne Haas meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert J. Sunstrom
 Clerk, Ogema Township



Charles Kramer, Chair
 Ronald Meehan, Vice-chair
 Anne Haas, Supervisor.

Signature	Date
<u><i>Charles Kramer</i></u>	<u>12-10-20</u>
<u><i>Ronald Meehan</i></u>	<u>12/10/20</u>