

*Minutes of the Regular Athens Town Board Meeting Held
July 1, 2013 at the Town Hall*

Board members present: Dave Henderson, John Bartz, Lyle Reynolds, Barb Kilpatrick, David Beckstrom, Treasurer Marlys Balfany, Clerk Diane Carpenter, Staff Jim Braun

Guests: Curt Carpenter, Cindy Reynolds, Jacqui Baker, Craig Bjorklund, Russ and Ann Mann, Gary Lindstrom, Jamie, Cade and Ian High

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

M/S John Bartz/Lyle Reynolds to approve the minutes of the June 3, 2013 meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Review Action Items

Action items were reviewed and discussed. Those remaining were:

- John will contact someone about the desks at the town hall.*
- Jim will get the fire extinguishers checked.*
- Jim will take pictures of the cell towers.*

Approve Agenda

M/S John Bartz/ Barb Kilpatrick to approve the agenda as ammended. Motion passed unanimously.

CICB presented the township with a check for \$500.00 to help pay for the lights on the ball field.

Citizens presented a proposal for fixing the corner of Tucker and 277th. They would like to narrow the intersection and turn it back to a T.

M/S Lyle Reynolds/Barb Kilpatrick to share the cost of the project between the 4 intersecting townships, not to exceed \$1000.00. Motion passed unanimously.

Planning and Zoning

- 3 permits were issued this month.*
- Inspections are up to date.*
- Cleanups are up to date.*
- There was no other staff report.*
- Lyle gave a county update.*

Roads

- The roads are in good shape but a little dry.*
- 253rd needs gravel. Bjorklund's will take care of it.*
- The county is already mowing ditches. We will be mowing in a couple of weeks.*

-Jim gave a noxious weed report. We will take care of them in the fall.

Fire

John shared a news article with all present.

Parks

The balance in the park fund is \$46,475.81.

We talked about the vandalism at the ball field.

Russ presented bids for a security system.

M/S John Bartz/Lyle Reynolds to spend up to \$2600.00 from the park fund for a security system. Motion passed unanimously.

Jim will have keys made for all the supervisors for the buildings at the town hall location.

Clerk's Report

-Barb, Lyle, Marlys, and Diane attended Summer Short Courses in St. Cloud on June 17th.

-Diane gave a recap of the costs of cleanup day so far.

-Paving bids were posted and published.

-The open supervisor position was posted and published.

-Diane and Marlys presented information about the CTAS update.

-M/S Barb Kilpatrick/John Bartz to spend \$300.00 for the CTAS update. Motion passed unanimously.

We received 4 paving bids as follows for the paving of Monroe and the rest of Polk:

Hardrives \$211,425.00

Knife River \$232,707.00

North Valley \$246,305.00

Rum River \$259,844.00

M/S John Bartz/Lyle Reynolds to accept the paving bid of Hardrives, and also authorize engineering costs. Motion passed unanimously, with Barb Kilpatrick abstaining from the vote. Bjorklund's will prep the roads. Curt will take care of the mailboxes.

Mailboxes for the new paving were discussed.

M/S John Bartz/David Beckstrom to assess the costs of the new mailboxes to residents. Motion passed unanimously. Jim will draft a letter to residents.

M/S John Bartz/Barb Kilpatrick to approve resolution 2013-10 accepting the resignation of Dave Henderson. Motion passed unanimously.

A vote was taken to fill Dave's seat, with Jan Palmer receiving 4 votes, and Dan Woodfill receiving 1 vote. Diane will present

Jan Palmer with a certificate of appointment and administer the oath of office within 10 days.

We will hold a Board of Reorganization Meeting on August 5, 2013, at 7 PM before the regularly scheduled meeting. Diane will post and publish the meeting.

Treasurer's Report

M/S Lyle Reynolds/David Beckstrom to approve the Treasurer's Report, Claims List for Approval, and Net Pay Account Distribution Report (checks 4589-4637 plus IRS totaling \$73,385.65). Motion passed unanimously.

M/S John Bartz/Lyle Reynolds to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 PM. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

*Diane Carpenter
Township Clerk*

Athens

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