TOWN OF LINCOLN TOWN BOARD MEETING November 12, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman, Lynne Black at 6:27 p.m, following the Budget Hearing. Present were: Lynne Black, Michael Wilson, Larry Sommer, and Tressa Votis, Board Members. Also present were: Rick Mullins, Kyle Black, Jeremey Kevilus, Bob Webb, Verne Kamenick, Les Schramm, Jason Headson, and Tom Vollmar.

On a motion by Wilson, second by Sommer, and all in favor, the agenda was approved.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

On a motion by Sommer, second by Wilson and all in favor, the minutes of the October 8, 2018 Regular Town Board meeting were approved as read.

On a motion by Wilson, second by Sommer and all in favor, the vouchers and payrolls were approved as well as a pre-approval to pay the Highway Department bill when it arrives.

Tom Vollmar asked the Town to consider working with the Town of Nashville to finish paving the last mile of Airport Road; he also spoke on the fact that certain roads (snowmobile trails) within our Town aren't being fully plowed after each snow storm, which is a possible safety concern for cars that do travel on those roads. He mentioned the WTA Attorney stated if the roads are signed to prevent cars from traveling on those roads; then the Town could lose Transportation Aids. (Which our roads are not signed in this fashion, and all Town roads are open to the traveling public.) Jason Headson mentioned that he felt that all roads should be plowed at all times. After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Town Board, that plowing of the Town roads will always come **FIRST**, as that has always been our policy. But since the Town Board has not been made aware of any major problems or issues, and the fact that some of the back roads are not highly traveled, the Board felt that if the Town Maintenance Crew can plow adequately to be safe, but still work with the snowmobile club to oblige a minimal area along one edge to accommodate the trail system, that this option should also be considered. The Board realizes all the hard work and time that many Town Residents have put into establishing the current snowmobile trail connections and that it is important to many citizens and a key factor to the success of our local businesses as well as the economy of all of Forest County, due to the Tourism revenues that the trails generate. The Board will talk with the snowmobile club, the Town road crew and the WTA to establish workable areas and assess the progress throughout the winter.

Lynne presented a letter from the Forest County Economic Development asking for a contribution of \$300 from the Town of Lincoln. Request tabled.

A letter was submitted from Bob Webb as to his retirement as of January 2, 2019. Bob stated he would be willing to stay on as a part-time employee if the Town is willing. Lynne stated Rick Mullins recently got a CDL and Bob Lenz is willing to cover as necessary, so with three part-time employees it should be workable.

On a motion by Wilson, second by Sommer, the retirement letter was accepted and Bob will continue to work for the Town on a part-time basis, two to three days a week or as needed.

Jeremy stated the mower deck is in very rough shape; Jeremy stated the price would be approximately \$10,000. He will get an official quote and bring back to the board in December.

On a motion by Wilson, second by Sommer, and all in favor, the 2019 Rescue Squad contract was approved in the amount of \$56,960.75.

Lynne presented two applications for the cleaning position; both ladies are interested. Motion by Sommer, second by Wilson with all voting aye, to offer Mary Jo Bocek the position.

The Town has been randomly chosen to conduct an audit of the voting equipment. Tressa will need to complete this by November 28, 2018. On a motion by Wilson, second by Sommer and all in favor, it was decided to pay the auditor's a wage of \$15/hr.

Lynne discussed the burn pile at the dump; and mentioned the dangers of possibly causing damage to the new salt shed fabric structure. She is looking for suggestions as to what we can possibly do to alleviate the issues. Jason Headson questioned why we were burning up there at all, as we didn't have a permit to do so, and a permit is required from the DNR. The Board pointed out that the Town did talk with someone previously in regard to the one time per year burn and verbal acknowledgement was obtained, as most all surrounding Townships burn their brush piles in the late fall, so this is a common practice. Many options were discussed. Jason mentioned that he would email Lynne the information from the DNR in regard to acquiring a burning permit.

The Treasurer's Report was presented.

Correspondence: Lynne mentioned that Town Board Chair Rick Huber had called her, as the Town of Crandon is exploring the option of a compactor and going to some type of similar recycling/trash system, as what we currently have. He is asking for some figures in regard to costs. Lynne and Tressa will work on getting something together for him.

Citizen's Comments: None.

On a motion by Sommer, second by Wilson and all in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:27 PM.

Upcoming meeting dates:

Lynne M. Black, Chairwoman	Michael Wilson, Supervisor
Larry Sommer, Supervisor	Tressa Votis, Clerk/Treasurer

Regular Town Board Meeting-December 10, 2018