

MILFORD TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2021

7:00PM AT THE MILFORD COMMUNITY BUILDING

Present: Doug Ruch, Ken Long and Bob Cockburn

Doug opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance followed with a prayer.

A motion was made by Ken Long to approve the memorandum from the prior meetings. Seconded by Bob Cockburn. All agreed and motion carried.

Election of Officers: Bob moved to keep the same town council officers as the prior year. Ken seconded. All agreed.

Attorney Report:

- Not present. If you have any open items, please get with Tricia.

Public Input:

- Matt Sandy presented the annual CC-213 Recertification for the FEMA National Flood Insurance community rating program. Ken moved to approve Doug to sign. Bob seconded. All agreed.
- Ken Long asked Mr. Sandy if he had an update on the draft risk mapping completed by FEMA at the watershed level. Turkey Creek had a substantial increase. Matt Sandy replied that he was following up with the contractor that was completing this study for FEMA, but their contract has since ended so he was told to follow up with the DNR or FEMA directly.

Fire Department:

- Tricia Gall reported that they have been testing a tornado siren. Doug Ruch stated the North Main siren has some issues they are trying to fix.

Police Report:

- Marshal Kreider did submit a candidate for an open part-time position, however, this person has obtained a part-time position closer to home and no longer wishes to pursue employment with the Town of Milford.

Wastewater:

- Mark reported that Chlorine and SO2 price has increased and does each year. HE is looking into other options for this process.
- Mark stated he is in need of new scales for the disinfection in the amount of \$2,053.00 from Living Waters. Ken asked how long the last scale lasted us. Mark reported 16-17 years. Ken moved to accept the quote in the amount of \$2,053.00. Bob seconded. All agreed.
- Mark is expecting another quote on Friday for closing the ponds.
- There is a new owner at the property next to the wastewater treatment plant. Shankster Brothers bought the old Bio-Waste facility. Ken asked approximately when they are coming online. Mark stated he expected approximately April.

Street:

- Steven reported that the preventative maintenance completed on the street sweeper located other issues. Some of the fixes, we can do ourselves, but others we are not able to. Steven is going to go through the list with the vendor, Brown Equipment, to determine which items can be done in-house. We bought our current street sweeper in 2012, Steven believes. Bob moved to accept the quote from Brown Equipment at an amount not to exceed \$6,870.90. Ken seconded. All agreed.
- CCMG bids are being advertised and sent out.

Water:

- Water Superintendent, Steven Marquart, stated we have had two water main breaks in the last week on water lines that were installed in 1955. He stressed the importance of getting an asset management plan conducted so we can apply for grant money for replacement of mains and services for the town's water system.

Park

- No report.

Clerk:


- Tricia Gall, Clerk-Treasurer, presented the December Bank Reconciliation for approval. Ken moved to accept the bank reconciliation. Bob seconded. All agreed.
- Tricia Gall presented the Interlocal Contract for Waubee Lake Park with Van Buren Township. Van Buren Township will provide financial support for maintenance and equipment expenses for Waubee Lake Park in the amount of \$750.00. Bob moved to accept the Interlocal Contract. Ken seconded. All agreed.
- Tricia Gall gave the council a listing of end of year transfers that she is allowed to perform, but must inform the council. Please let her know if there are any questions.
- She also reported that she has her presentation for INDOT on Wednesday for the federal grant to fund a trail.
- As part of the trail grant, Tricia and Steven attended the ADA & Title VI Virtual Summit on 1/5 and 1/6.
- The Governor's Order 20-52 renewed the public health disaster emergency through January 30th.

Accounts Payable Voucher:

- The Town of Milford is acting under the public health emergency declaration approved at the March 2020 emergency meeting and will present all vouchers at the first public meeting at the end of the public health emergency.

There was no further business, Ken moved to adjourn and Bob seconded. All agreed.

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Robert C. Cookburn

Attests: