Village of Sprague

December Minutes of Meeting

The monthly Sprague Town Board meeting was held on December 9, 2024 at 7:00 PM. A roll call was held with the following Board members being present: Earl Nannen, Terry Maul and Roger Heusinkvelt. A quorum was present but no Chairman or Vice Chairman were in attendance. The present members decided to move forward with the meeting and appointed Staci Hayden as acting Chairman for the meeting. The appointment was a unanimous vote by the Board members. Staci Hayden, Acting Chairman, called the board meeting to order in accordance with the Open Meetings Act. Several visitors were present.

The November meeting minutes were read by Staci Hayden. E. Nannen made a motion to approve the minutes; it was seconded by T. Maul. A vote was held. All attending Board members voted in favor of approving the minutes. There were no votes in opposition. The motion passed.

The November Treasurer's Report was presented by Shonna Jordan. E. Nannen made a motion to approve the report and to pay all bills; it was seconded by T. Maul. A vote was held. All attending Board members voted in favor of approving the Treasurer's Report. There were no votes in opposition. The motion passed.

R. Heusinkvelt made a motion to adjourn the meeting; it was seconded by L. Foote. All attending board members voted in favor of adjourning. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned.

L. Foote, Interim Chairman, called the meeting to order in accordance with the Open Meetings Act. L. Foote and E. Nannen took the oath of office for their new terms. The Interim Chairman then appointed opened nominations to the Board for the Chairman position. L. Foote was nominated and voted in as Chairman. L. Foote then accepted nominations for Asst. Chairman. E. Nannen was nominated and accepted the nomination. E. Nannen was voted in as Asst. Chairman.

The Board discussed the recent CBDG application. Due to delays by the USDA, timing form securing funding prior to the CBDG deadline is not feasible. The Board decided to pursue federal funding instead which has an April deadline.

After following up with the Election Commission about issues encountered with ballots for the Sales Tax initiative, it was determined that the Village will have to wait 23 months in order to pose the question to voters again.

The Occupation Tax – Mechanical devises Resolution 2024-12 was reviewed and signed by the Chariman.

The final draw for the Drainage project was reviewed with a representative from Bauer. After going through the cost overages, Bauer is to follow-up with additional information regarding two items that were changes in scope of the project. After this information is gathered, S. Hayden will reach out to Olsson for additional resolution.

The Board discussed the bid for Stop Sign/Road Sign installation throughout the Village. E. Nannen made a motion to move forward with bid; it was seconded by R. Heusinkvelt. A vote was held. All attending Board members voted in favor of approving the bid. There were no votes in opposition. The motion passed. R. Heusinkvelt is on point to finalize the installation.

The Year End Certification of City Street Superintendent and corresponding resolution 2024-12.1 were discussed and reviewed. Resolution 2024-12.1 certifies that Steven Parr, Class A street superintendent with License Number S-859 was the superintendent for the Village of Sprague for the calendar year of 2024. E. Nannen made a motion to approve the resolution and certify the appointment; it was seconded by T. Maul. A vote was held. All attending Board members voted in favor of approving the resolution and appointment. There were no votes in opposition. The motion passed.

Abby Morgan was not present at the meeting so the appointment to Clerk was postponed until January 2025.

Seeing no more items for discussion, E. Nannen made a motion to adjourn the meeting; it was seconded by R. Heusinkvelt. All attending board members voted in favor of adjourning. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned.

Bills presented for payment: Staci Hayden – clerk \$461.75; Cory Maul – maintenance \$531.01; Skyla Heath - meters \$115.44; Shonna Jordan – treasurer \$369.40; Kinetic/Windstream - internet \$117.09; Kinetic/Windstream – pump house \$17.70; Norris Public Power – utilities \$647.25; NDEE Fiscal Services – loan payment \$8123.50; One Call Concepts – digger hotline \$2.40; Quadient- postage \$125.79; NE Public Health Environmental Lab – water test \$31.00.