

The May 10, 2021 meeting for the Town of Farmersville was called to order at 7:03pm by Supervisor Francis Lounsbury, all stood for the pledge.

Present:

Supervisor Francis Lounsbury

Councilmen Richard Westfall

Donna Vickman

Pam Tilton

Mark Heberling

Hwy Superintendent Barry Tingue

Town Clerk Bridget Holmes

Guest see sign in book

A motion was made by Mr. Lounsbury to accept the minutes and seconded by Mrs. Vickman – 4 ayes and 1 opposed by Mr. Heberling, carried

A motion was made by Mr. Westfall to pay the bills and seconded by Mr. Heberling, carried.

General =V66-v87=\$44,161.68      hwy = V61-V72=\$16,160.72

Hwy Report:

Mr. Tingue gave a list to the board of equipment that he feels should be purchased- a broom for the loader, a mower and a pickup. Last month board asked for quotes for the pickup, and Mr. Tingue stated that he cannot get a quote till after July. The crew will start hauling millings on the following Monday and hopefully they will be patching holes on Wednesday and Thursday of this week. Mr. Tingue stated that the DEC has come to him about him dumping the ditch diggings on his property near wet lands; nothing was ever said to him about wet lands in the 26 years that he has owned the property. He also wanted it stated that he as Hwy Superintendent is in charge of the hwy department and no one else. Question from the board about the schedule of Kingsbury Bridge, Mr. Tingue stated that we are next on the list. Question from Mrs. Vickman on if Barry has to move the ditch diggings, he did it as part of his job and should be able to use the town's resources, no response from other board members.

Supervisor's Report- Mr. Lounsbury had received the yearend report just before the meeting but not the monthly report, he did read it but no action was taken as he wanted to give the board members time to read it over

Town Clerk report- read by Clerk Holmes and at end of report made a statement about a town resident turning her into the board of elections for not living in the town of Farnesville and the Sheriff office investigated and found no evidence that she did not live in the town as stated by the town resident, no action taken with this report.

Justice Report- First Town Prosecutor night would be this week and the first DA night would be the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of May

Old Business:

County Shared Services contract- a motion was made by Mr. Lounsbury and seconded by Mr. Heberling to sign it, carried

Mrs. Vickman brought up that there was a problem brought up about the hwy crew getting Good Friday off for a paid holiday. She had researched it and that holiday was not put on the current union contract, but was on the previous one, she wanted to know how Kathy Berry registered it as, cause they were entitled to that holiday. Mr. Lounsbury said he would find out and talk to town attorney Eric Firkel about it.

Armstrong report from Mr. Heberling, stating that the discussion he had with the Armstrong officials that we could be 30 to 60 days out from them going live with the internet

Mr. Tingue asked if he could get his budget report twice a month, and Mr. Lounsbury said he would look into it and he also asked if there were any building permits issued on April 27, 2021 and Mr. Lounsbury said he would get back to him.

He also asked what were the board thoughts on the purchase of the flail mower and broom for the loader, prices are going up and renting the broom is just not doing a good enough job. The flail mower would be a hydraulic offset for approximate price of \$9500.00 and the broom for the loader for approximate of \$25,000.00 and Mr. Tingue thought the broom could last the town 20 years both could be purchased from George and Swede. His suggestion to board was to use the purchase reserve account and then you could take \$50,000.00 from the hwy fund balance to replenish that account. Mr. Lounsbury said that he could bring it to a vote to see what happens and Mr. tingue said to please do so, a motion was made by Mr. Lounsbury to allow the Hwy superintendent to purchase the broom and the flail mower, seconded by Mrs. Tilton- voting with 3 ayes and 2 councilmen not voting – carried.

#### Immediate Requests-

Town resident Lois Lane asked if the board discussed the email request that she sent to the board and Mr. Lounsbury said that yes he did receive but was not going to discuss it at a board meeting and she asked if the board was not going to do anything she would have to sue and that would cost the town residents more money, again Mr. Lounsbury stated that he would not talk about it in board meeting. Mr. Lounsbury read a statement about town resident Doug Thompson wanting to start a ATV/UTV trail – helping with tourism and they were talking to the fire department to involve them- a work in progress – see attached statement.

#### New Business

Clerk Holmes stated that the Farmersville Center Community Church was having a community day on August 7<sup>th</sup> with different activities and if the town wanted to do booth for the 200<sup>th</sup> birthday of the town they were more than welcome to come.

A motion to adjourn at 7:46pm by Mr. Westfall and second by Mrs. Tilton, carried

Respectfully submitted  
Bridget Holmes  
Town clerk