

The special meeting for February 9, 2022 for the Town of Farmersville was called to order at 6pm by Supervisor Lounsbury, all stood for the pledge.

**Present:**

Supervisor - Francis Lounsbury

Councilman Richard Westfall

Dale Scurr

Mark Heberling

Pamela Tilton

Town clerk - Bridget Holmes

Hwy Superintendent Barry Tingue

Guests see sign in book

A motion was made by Mrs. Tilton to go into executive session for pending litigation and seconded by Mr. Scurr, the board invited in Dave Dimatteo, Linda Joseph, and Elizabeth Holmes and Mark Romanski by phone , carried

A motion to come out of executive session at 6:40pm by Mr. Lounsbury and seconded by Mr. Westfall, carried.

The board reviewed the bills until 7pm for regular board meeting.

At 7pm they started regular meeting:

A motion was made by Mr. Westfall to approve the minutes and seconded by Mrs. Tilton, carried.

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

Hwy Report:

Mr. Tingue reported that the Town of Freedom was putting their excavator out to bid and felt that it would be a great asset for our town if we put a bid in. A note that with the price of fuel and sand going higher all the time the town might need to adjust the budget. Mr. Tingue stated that he had concern with the 911 number was put on Eichler Rd as it was extended and numbers didn't really seem right. Also the loader was being picked up next week to put the new broom on and do a service on it.

No supervisor's report this month

A motion was made to accept the clerk's report by Mr. Westfall and seconded by Mrs. Tilton, carried.

Judge's report:

Right now the judges upload their monthly report, and their checks are deposited in a clearing account and then checks are written to the state and the town. Kathy the accountant wanted to change how it is

done, where the checks are deposited into the clearing account and then she will write a check to the state and electronically move the money for the town. Judge Karcher stated that she went through a 2019 audit and the state found nothing wrong with how we were doing things. Judge Karcher stated that she would try this but if there is a glitch then she wanted it stated that it would go back the other way. Cause if there was a problem the town board would not be getting the nasty letter from the state, the judges would. Mr. Lounsbury stated he would make the motion for the change with the clause that it would go back if there was a problem and then he rescinded that motion and made a motion that the town would proceed with the changes with the fines and seconded by Mr. Heberling, - There was 4 yes and Mr. Scurr voted no. When Judge Karcher questioned about not putting the clause in Mr. Lounsbury stated the town board wouldn't let the judges hang if there was a problem.

At this time taxpayer Mr. Peterson asked about the other's judge's report and was told she was on vacation

Assessor's report was read by Mr. Scurr

Mr. Heberling gave a report on Armstrong- there is a informational meeting on Feb 16th at the Franklinville VFW, still working out details with Mr. Scurr

A motion was made by Mr. Scurr to get the Town connected to Armstrong internet and seconded by Mrs. Tilton, carried

Mrs. Tilton asked if there was a way that the whole board could be more informed with the cheese plant project and it seems that Mr. Heberling is being told the information and she didn't remember a motion being made that Mr. Heberling was the point of contact for this project. Mrs. Tilton made a motion to form a committee to handle the project and nominated Mr. Heberling as chairman, Mr. Scurr as co chairman and Mr. Jeff Peterson for the committee and it was seconded by Mr. Scurr, carried.

Petitions from the floor

Lois Lane- questioned about the ATV project and Mr. Lounsbury responded that he had heard nothing.

Doug Seymour- from Clark Rd - was having problems with the snowmobile using the Clark Rd as a trail and the groomer coming down the road, he stated that he have to go out and plow the road cause the groomer was leaving snow piles in the road and he gave the board a bill for plowing the road. Mrs. Tilton and Mr. Lounsbury both stated that he was not authorize to plow the road and he said he was given permission by previous superintendents. The snowmobilles were causing dangerous situations he felt and he had a special needs grandchild that lives with them. The town attorney said it was a law enforcement issue but the town could send a letter to the snowmobile club about using the road but not a lot of teeth in it. A motion was made by Mr. Scurr to send the letter and seconded by Mr. Heberling, carried.

Mr. Doug Thompson apologized to Mr. Tingué about accusing him of one of the town trucks doing damage on a resident's property.

Mr. Peterson asked about the website since it was tabled last month

A motion was made by Mr. Lounsbury for a town official to post on the website in their official compacity and seconded by Mr. Scurr, carried

A motion was made to go in to executive session at 8:23 for litagation by Mr. Lounsbury and seconded by Mr. Heberling, carried

A motion to come out of executive session at 8:44pm was made by Mr. Westfall and seconded by Mr. Heberling, carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Tilton that all town mail needs to come to the town hall and not the person's home address and seconded by Mr. Scurr, carried

Mrs. Titlon also stated that all public records needed to be in the clerk's office and especially any signed copies of any agreements.

Mr. Tingue asked about approaching the Town of Freedom and motion was made by Mr. Scurr to spend no more than \$30,000.00 in the bid for the excavator and seconded by Mr. Westfall, 4 yes and 1 no of Mr. Heberling, carried

He also asked about thinking about doing a shelter to store the equipment in and Mr. Westfall stated that he thought they should think about buying more property before doing that.

A motion to adjourn at 8:58pm by Mr. Lounsbury and seconded by Mrs. Tilton, carried

Respectfully submitted  
Bridget Holmes