

## November 5, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Board members present: Hank Nigh, Ned Ruesch, Leslianne Ruesch, Ken Manlick. Absent: Leon Kunding

Citizens present: Bob Ashbeck, Pat Altman, Ron Koziczowski, Paul Haffenbredl.

The meeting was called to order by Ned Ruesch with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Call to order the 2024 Special Meeting of the Electors, Budget Hearing for the Town of Milladore.

A motion was moved by Ron to keep the current compensation for all board members. Seconded by Pat. Motion carried. Compensation for elected town officials will continue at:

Town Chairperson-\$3200 paid annually in March.

Town Supervisor- \$2100 paid annually in March.

Town Clerk- \$6200 paid over the course of 12 months.

Town Treasurer-\$3800 paid over the course of 12 months.

A motion was moved by Pat to keep election workers compensation at \$14 per hour, \$50 per training session, plus mileage. Seconded by Paul. Motion carried.

A motion was moved by Ron to pay the Chief Inspector of Elections \$16 per hour, \$50 per training session, plus mileage. Seconded by Pat. Motion carried.

A motion was moved by Ron to keep the current compensation for town workers at \$12 for unskilled labor, and \$22 for skilled labor. Seconded by Paul. Motion carried.

Review of the prospective 2024 town budget.

A motion was moved by Ron to adjourn the budget hearing. Seconded by Pat. Adjourned.

The secretary report was read. A motion was made by Ned to approve. Seconded by Hank. Motion carried.

The treasurer report was received.

Old Business:

- a. A letter was sent to JJ's Brushcutting about the damage to stop signs and personal property that was done while mowing. We are requesting they pay us for damage prior to issuing the check for work done.

New Business:

- a. LRIP funding was unable to be completed. After we began the process, we were told the town does not qualify until other forms are updated per DOT standards. These are forms that Milladore has never filed in the past. The current clerk will look into this and get our township within the required state standards as quickly as promptly.

- b. The DOR has requested that we amend the CT form from last year. The current clerk has been in touch with the state to get instructions on how to fix this. The information was passed on to the treasurer who is more familiar with last years numbers. He will work with the state to fix this.
- c. After being made aware by the ATF, the town needs to completely overhaul their handling of liquor licenses per DOR regulations. The town has been negligent in both the procedures and filing of our liquor licenses for at least 10 plus years. Due to the seriousness of the situation, the clerk is currently working closely with the ATF to get us back on track.
  - a. Due to errors on current licenses, and not performing needed background checks, or retaining copies of needed paperwork, we must revoke on Swetz license. The clerk has already published the notice in paper per state statute. A motion was moved by Ned to grant them all Class A licenses , as well as needed operator licenses. Seconded by Hank. Motion carried.
  - b. A motion was moved by Ned to grant a Class B wine, and Class B Fermented Malt Beverage license to Empty Nest Winery, along with needed operator licenses. The clerk has already published the notice in the paper per state statute.
  - c. It has been suggested by the ATF that the town adopt s an ordinance that allows the clerk to issue operator licenses after personally reviewing the applicants background checks and server ebeverage certificates without a board vote. This helps decrease the time between their application and issuance. A motion was moved by Hank to draft this ordinance. Seconded by Ned. Motion approved. The clerk will still inform the board whenever she issues an operator license.
  - d. A new contract has been received from the Auburndale Joint Fire and Rescue Department for the 2024 year. Ned moves a motion to accept this contract. Seconded by Hank. Motion carried.
  - e. A new contract has been received by Marshfield Ambulance Service for the 2024 year. A motion was moved by Ned to accept this contract. Seconded by Hank. Motion carried.

Standing Agenda Items:

Road repair concerns:

Yellowstone has been put on the list to be regraded per a citizen request.

The grader has been equipped with new tires.

The culvert on West Street has been replaced.

Recycling center updates:

The next meeting for the recycling center is next Saturday.

Clerk Mail:

The DOA sent a notice of population. The town of Milladore had 659 people as of January 1, 2023.

A first notice of non-compliance was issued by the DOR. We were expecting this as our assessor informed us during the Board of Review that we need to have the town reassessed.

The county sent a letter outlining their updated charges for all work done with their Work Relief (BNI) Program. There is a slight increase due to labor costs on their end.

There has been an ongoing issue with tampering of the town's official mail. The chair has spoken to the responsible individual. We have reached out to the appropriate agencies for advice on this matter, and will be following their suggestion of immediately calling the Wood County Sheriff Department if further mail is received that has been opened.

A motion was moved by Hank to pay bills. Seconded by Ned. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be Sunday, December 3, 2023 at 6:30 pm.

A motion was moved by Hank to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Ned. Meeting adjourned.