

Town of Wood River

Regular Board Meeting

October 13, 2021

Joel Johnson

Mike Chell

Gilbert Meyer

Marjean Legler

Laure McKeag

Tracy Blakeslee

10 others in attendance

1. Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order 6:30pm
2. Pledge Of allegiance was recited
- 3 Gilbert Meyer made a motion to approve the agenda seconded by Mike Chell, with the note that we switch items #22 and 23 around, carried.
4. Motion was made by Gilbert Meyer to approve the September Regular Board Meeting minutes seconded by Mike Chell, carried.
5. **Clerk Communications:** Marjean has been preparing the budget and Laura and she have been getting everything unpacked and organized in the new Town Hall.
6. **Treasure's Report:** there is \$158,240.34 in the operating account, \$37,033.29 in the CD and \$553,345.07 in the Money Market account. APRA savings \$48,723.21 Gilbert Meyer moved to accept the Treasurer's report as read seconded by Mike Chell, carried.
7. **Fire Association Report:** 110 calls to date, 89 last year at this time there will be an increase of 2% for the department's levy this year. They purchased a Tahoe and will be selling the ranger. They are replacing the regulator and piping on their generator.
8. **Maintenance Report:** Brush mowing will begin shortly, a culvert on crosstown near County M was replaced. The new plow truck will be ready for pick up Monday.
9. **Chairman's Report:** Joel reported Mike Hoefs said they will be asking for bids on N. Williams Road bridge next week and will be opening those bids on Nov. 4. N. Fork Road bridge will have the east side inspected and depending on the

results there may be a possibility of obtaining LRIPS funds. October 28 Towns Association will open the floor for LRIP funds to be used on Little Wood Lake Road.

10. **Public Comments:** Virginia Hennessey would like to see the Town buy a new ballot box and is willing to donate \$100 towards it. Carol Huff agreed.

Don Chell informed the Town that the county is building a new jail for \$30 million and will assess each taxpayer approximately \$37.

11. **Grantsburgtelcom/Dutch:** Dutch explained several options for phone systems in the new building. Mike Chell motioned 3 phones to be bought for the hall and use the service Dutch has recommended. Gilbert Meyer seconded. carried

12. **Silver Lake Road:** Mike Chell motioned to abandon a portion of Silver Lake Road right away from the NE corner to the SW corner of David and Debra Thomas' property at 22561 S. Silver Lake Road, Gilbert Meyer seconded, carried.

13. **Resolution for Redistricting:** Mike Chell motioned to not sign the redistricting resolution from the County, Gilbert Meyer seconded, carried

14. **New Town Hall/Lake Construction:** Wayne Lake explained the bills and there was much discussion on the bill for the inspector. Last fall a motion was made not to pay for the additional costs of that inspector. Mike Chell motioned to rescind last fall's motion for nonpayment and made a new motion to pay the inspector's bill, Joel Johnson seconded, Gilbert Meyer abstained, carried.

15. **Wislr/Pacer training for Tracy:** Gilbert Meyer motioned, and Mike Chell seconded to hire the County to train Tracy on how to rate roads for Wislr.

16. **Memorial:** Mike Chell and Tracy will do more checking on our options

17. **Tires for Mower Tractor:** discussion and tabled

18. **Road Agreement with West Marshland:** tabled

19. **Culvert on County M & Crosstown** Mike Chell motioned to have the County replace the culvert, Gilbert Meyer seconded carried.

20. **Open House Date** tabled

21. **Budget:** the budget was worked with and several changes were made, we are waiting to get figures on Sanitary disposal.

22. **ARPA Funds:** Joel will work on it

23. **Identify agenda items for next meeting:** Rural Mutual, cemetery, voting box, memorial bench, open house, road agreement with West Marshland, tractor tires.

24: **Audit Bills sign disbursements:** Bills were audited and signed

25. **Adjourn 9:41**