

# **Town of Union – Monthly Meeting Minutes**

## **Wednesday, March 15, 2023**

The Town of Union meeting was called to order by Chairman Elgin Fanta on Wednesday, March 15, 2023, at 7:00 pm.

Roll call was taken with Chairman Elgin Fanta, Supervisor Paige Huber, Supervisor Dennis Rauls, Treasurer Starr Janecek, and Clerk Fay Urban present. Others in attendance was Patrolman David Smith, Thea Fronk, Karri Bartlett, Nathan Toth, Donald Subera, Robert Vodak, Josh Fulk from Scott's, Robin Davis from Milestone Materials, and Lucas Winchel from Green Tech.

Chairman Fanta asked for affirmation of proper public notice. Clerk Urban replied "Yes".

### **Open and Approve Road Bids –**

<b>Seal Coat:</b>	<b>Fahrner -</b>	<b>\$25,810.00 per mile single coat (limestone)</b>
		<b>\$51,620.00 per mile double coat</b>
<b>Scott's</b>		<b>\$23,978.00 per mile single coat on hard surface (limestone)</b>
		<b>\$39,996.00 per mile single coat over gravel surface</b>
		<b>\$48,988.00 per mile double coat over a gravel surface</b>
		<b>\$27,962.00 per mile single coat on hard surface (granite chips)</b>
<b>Kruger Excavation:</b>	<b>3" Breaker,</b>	<b>\$13.40 per yard delivered</b>
	<b>¾ gravel</b>	<b>\$13.40 per yard delivered</b>
	<b>Screenings,</b>	<b>\$13.00 per yard delivered</b>
	<b>Rip Rap,</b>	<b>\$18 per yard delivered</b>
	<b>Shot Rock,</b>	<b>\$13 per yard delivered</b>
<b>Milestone:</b>	<b>3" Breaker,</b>	<b>\$14.43 per yard delivered</b>
	<b>¾ gravel,</b>	<b>\$14.42 per yard delivered</b>
	<b>Screenings,</b>	<b>\$10.50 per yard delivered</b>
	<b>Rip Rap,</b>	<b>\$25.00 per yard delivered</b>
	<b>Shot Rock,</b>	<b>\$14.42 per yard delivered</b>
	<b>1 ¼ Dense Grade,</b>	<b>\$14.42 per yard delivered</b>
<b>Green Tech:</b>	<b>Select Crush,</b>	<b>\$15.03 per yard delivered</b>
	<b>3" Breaker,</b>	<b>\$13.16 per yard delivered</b>
	<b>¾ gravel,</b>	<b>\$13.16 per yard delivered</b>
	<b>Screenings,</b>	<b>\$13.16 per yard delivered</b>
	<b>Rip Rap,</b>	<b>\$19.91 per yard delivered</b>
	<b>Shot Rock,</b>	<b>\$11.14 per yard delivered</b>
	<b>1 ¼ Gravel,</b>	<b>\$13.16 per yard delivered</b>
	<b>Limestone Chips,</b>	<b>\$17.89 per yard delivered</b>
	<b>Screened Road Sand, \$12.83 per yard, delivered</b>	

**The Union Town Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids or to award the contract to the bidder, who in the opinion of the town board, will be the most advantageous for the Town of Union.**

Motion made by Rauls and seconded by Huber to table the approval of the road bids until the next meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

There was a discussion that the quarries must be state approved.

**Public Comment - None**

**Review and Approve February Minutes** – Motion by Huber and second by Rauls to approve the February 18, 2023, Town of Union minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer reported the general checking accounts has a balance of \$9,269.64 and the MMDA balance is \$113,976.04 as of Wednesday, March 15, 2023.

Property Tax and Dog License Update: Two personal property taxes that are delinquent. No additional dog license. Letters were mailed out last week reminding dog owners that they need to license their dogs.

### **Clerks Report**

The board reviewed the budget and the monthly bills as presented. There was questions on the LaFarge Truck Centers bill. Dennis will talk to them to clarify the invoice. Motion made by Huber and seconded by Rauls to approve the bills as presented except for LaFarge Truck Center's bill and to transfer \$17,000.00 for the monthly bills from the Money Market Account to the general checking account. All in favor, motion carried.

Upcoming Election: The Town of Union has two official write-in candidates. She went over the procedure for the write-ins.

### **Old Business**

Canyon Lane & Timber Lane Advancements: Supervisor Rauls gave an update on the progress of these two lanes. Henry Graber would like to cut the wood on Canyon Lane. Property owner D Wood is okay with that. Fences will need to come down. On Timber Lane, Jr. Yutzy is adding on to his house. Rauls will talk to him and the land owner, James Otto, about the addition to make sure it is not on the right-of-way.

LRIP Grant on Jug Creek: We have submitted in their last requested paperwork and are waiting for a response back.

ALICE Training: Was rescheduled to March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 pm.

### **New Business**

Review Sand Salt Needs for 2023-2024 winter: Smith said we have about 425 yards remaining. We started with 1300 yards. He would like to purchase an additional 1200 yards for next winter. Last year we purchased 500 yards of sand & screening, 1100 tons of salt. The cost through the county was \$92.45 per ton last year. This year they are currently at \$85 per ton not delivered. Prairie Du Chien is at \$125 per ton not delivered. The county would like a fleet of trucks to come and pick up the salt at one time. The board would like to wait until July before we get additional salt. Sand can be purchased during the spring. Before we get additional sand the lot will have to be dried out. The board would like to know the cost of putting in a pad for the sand.

Insurance Renewal: Currently we have Rural Insurance. The board would like to get additional bids.

### **Patrolman's Report –**

Road work – Smith reported that they have been working on trees that are in the roadways. They plan on replacing a fence on Jug Creek.

Equipment update –The 2008 truck was at LaFarge Truck Center for 11 days. March 1<sup>st</sup> the new turbo was put the grader. March 3<sup>rd</sup> the road bans went on. The cost to repair the mowing tractor at Simpsons would be \$7500 plus \$1000 for labor. Smith sent them photos and they feel that it might only cost \$3500 with the labor. He contacted Hansen's and they would like the mower tractor to come to their shop to look at it. Last year they put in 21 ½ gallons of oil in the mower.

**Supervisor's Report.** – Supervisor Huber talked to the county about grants that are available. There is a \$10,000 HoChuck Nation grant available. New windows for the town hall would qualify along with new signage for the fire/address signs. Our local fire departments would like us to upgrade to the newer signs that have the address on both sides. Paige and Starr will work together to get estimates on the windows and signs.

**Chairman's Report** – Sign was ordered for Andrew Schroch's cabin.

**Annual Meeting Date:** Tuesday, April 18, 2023, 7:00 pm at the town hall.

**Set Date for Open Book:** No date at this time

**Set Date for Board of Review:** No date at this time.

**Set Date for Road Inspection:** April 22, 2023 at 8:00 am. Meet at the town hall.

**Set Spring Cleanup Day:** Saturday, May 27, 2023, 8 am to 2 pm. We will be getting four dumpsters. Dennis will verify the cost of the appliances and tires with the county.

**Set Date for next regular monthly meeting** – Wednesday, April 19, 2023, at 7:00 pm.

Motion by Rauls, seconded by Huber to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 pm. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Fay Urban, Town Clerk