

RANDOLPH TOWN BOARD MEETING

Randolph Town Office
Recorded on Office Laptop
June 12, 2024 @ 7:30 PM

BOARD MEMEBERS PRESENT: Mayor Sim Bell
Brandon Miller
Brandon Hatch
Kathy Argyle
Clay Barker
Kaleb Thomson
April Groll (clerk)

ABSENT: None

GUESTS: Nicole Attleson
Lauren Kennedy

Mayor Sim Bell started the meeting at 7:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. Lauren Kennedy was here to obtain a business license for her online jewelry business. She does custom orders with engraved rings and saddle wear. Kathy made a motion to accept Lauren's business for a license. Brandon Miller 2nd. All in favor. The fee will be \$25/year. It will be \$12.50 for the rest of the year.

Nicole Attleson was here to obtain a Short-Term Business license for her home in Randolph. She has turned in her application and everything looks good. She will be running it through air bnb, so they take taxes out for her. Brandon Miller made a motion to accept the short-term rental for 11 people pending Nicole sends in her insurance. Kathy 2nd. All in favor.

Town Board Meeting was closed. Public Meeting for FY 2025 Budget Hearing was opened. No one from the community was here. April had sent the budget to Mike Ulrich, our accountant for approval. He changed a few things so that it would balance out. We are going to wait to do roads until next year because we are applying for a grant to re-do all the roads. We will be doing a lot of work this summer to get the roads ready for chip seal for next year. Clay said that there is another culvert that needs to be redone before we pave. We will change the budget for Road Repair to \$85,000 for FY 2025. Clay said that he would like to do some side walk repair. There are some that are getting bad. Kaleb will look into what he would need to do to grind them. Kaleb also wondered about the walking path out to the vet clinic. It is in need of some

repairs. Brandon Hatch made a motion to accept the budget. Clay 2nd. The only amendment that had to be made for last year's budget is for Road Repair & Maintenance. We had \$2,000 budgeted and we have spent almost \$10,000 this year so far. Brandon Miller made a motion to accept the amendment to the 2023-2024 Budget for Road Repair and Maintenance from \$2,000 to \$12,000. Kathy 2nd. All in favor. April will file the budget and the amendment with the State. Budget Meeting is closed.

Clay opened the CIB Grant Public Hearing at 8:15 PM. No community members were present. No public input. Clay explained that the Town is wanting to do a roadway improvement project to improve and maintain the current roads within the town. The project has an estimated overall cost of \$413,000. The town has approximately \$247,800 to contribute to the project. The Town is applying for the funding (in the form of a grant) from the Permanent Community Impact Board in the amount of \$165,200 to make up the difference. There is always a possibility that the CIB will not be able to provide the funding, or if they do, they may offer the entire requested amount as an interest bearing loan. The following scenarios were discussed:

- If CIB does not fund the project the Town would just use the money that we have and do the roads that need to be repaired the most.
- If CIB does fund it in an interest-bearing loan the Town would take that loan and do all the roads in the town next summer.
- We could make the loan payment with the money that we get from B&C Road Fund each year.
- This project could be easily scaled down to meet the funding that we receive.

Public Hearing for CIB Grant was closed at 8:25 PM.

Town Board meeting was opened again. April read the minutes. There were no questions. Brandon Miller made a motion to accept the minutes. Clay 2nd. All in favor. April read the bills. Brandon Hatch made a motion to accept the bills. Kathy 2nd. All in favor. Kaleb's paid time off was discussed. He will get 80 hours a year. The board decided that he could carry over 40 of those hours per year. Since he started at the end of May he will get a total of 50 hours for the 2024 year.

Kaleb has looked into the cross-connection classes and test to get certified. Kaleb also got the outlet at the baseball field mound working. Champion Electric had to come down and look at it. He is going to move the line for the gas at the bowery tomorrow.

The water line will be worked on next week. It looks like they will have to do under some under Main Street. They have pot holed down and located all of the services. They are going to put another valve on so that we can turn off the water a few houses at a time. Clay also talked about putting more valves around town. They will give us 48 hours' notice for when they need to turn the water off. Then we will need to let the home owners on the street know.

We are waiting on Jones & DeMille for the sidewalk plans. Clay will call Bart and see if he can get it going faster. We need to get both of these projects done this year.

Next on the agenda is LED bulbs for the street lights. We would like to replace them because they are more cost effective and they are brighter. Sim said if there are any street lights out to get the # off of the pole and we can call RMP to come out and replace it. Kathy thinks there may be a grant to change to LED lights. She will call and find out.

April called on May 15th and ordered the 3 flashing speed limit signs from Elan City. She has not heard anything back after ordering them. She sent out an email today asking about the order. If she does not hear anything by Monday she will give them a call. April also looked into flashing stop signs. They are around \$1,000.00 each. We had talked previously about getting some by the 4 way stop at the school. The town board wants the intersection on park street and 1st West needs to be a 4 way stop and to have small signs underneath that says 4 way stop. Kaleb will see what he has in the shop.

Brandon Hatch asked Steve Pugmire to be in charge of the Fun Run. He said no. Kelsey Peart did it last year. Clay Barker will ask her if she would be willing to do it again. We could help her get prizes if needed.

Clay brought up a building on Main Street that needs some repairs. He asked Sim if he would go and talk to him. Sim said we would need to have some ordinances in place in order to enforce anything. Both Sim and Brandon Hatch said that they would try to talk to the business owner.

Brandon Miller brought up that the hot dog dinner for the last game of softball will be on Thursday, June 27th. Both Brandon Miller and April will be out of town that week. April said that she could pick up stuff in Logan next week. The first games start at 4, so we need to have some ready at 5 and end at 8. We will do hotdogs/buns, chips, and drinks. Kathy said that she can get buns the week of. Kaleb said that he would get the bowery ready and make sure that we have either gas or propane tanks.

Next on the agenda is the Tourism Grant. Brandon Miller reached out to Courts Unlimited. Brandon will reach out to Melanie to see who she had talked to last year about re-doing the tennis courts and he will also ask Garden City who did theirs. He wants to get multiple bids. Brandon Hatch said the fencing around the ball park in Garden City was nice. He would like to redo the fencing around the park in the future. Brandon Hatch is still working on the veteran banners. Kathy had the idea to get Christmas banners to put up during the holidays on the same poles. Kaleb wondered how long we would leave them up. We don't know how well they will do in the weather and the wind. Brandon Hatch will call the company and see about a warranty. Brandon Miller will call Wellsville and ask them about their banners and their tennis/pickleball courts. Brandon Miller asked how we have submitted the application before and what we can do better this year. April will send the town board a copy of the application so that they can look at it. We will plan on going to the meeting this year and presenting our ideas. Portable bleachers are still an idea. An ice rink/hockey rink was talked about again. Kaleb wondered if it would be better to have it over by the 4H pens instead. He is worried about getting water to it. They blow out the sprinkler lines and winterize them. There is a hydrant by the show ring that we could use to fill it.

Procedures and Policies Update is next on the agenda. The Board is still thinking and working on this. Continue this until next meeting.

April is still working on the Community Wildlife Preparedness Plan. She will get ahold of Travis Hobbs and/or Chris Stapel with any questions that she has. She does not need any help right now but will let the board know if and when she does.

There were a few complaints about water pressure in town. Kaleb has looked at and tested a few. If there is not good pressure, the line may need to be replaced. There is a fire hydrant that is leaking and may need to be fixed. Scott said that there is a guy that if Kaleb digs it up he will help him rebuild it.

Sim went to a meeting that they said we need to redo our Subdivision Ordinance by the end of the year. April said that Mike Hansen is working on this for us. Sim also talked to Maggie from Brag about setting up new emails with .gov. and our email. She said that she could help us do this. We will wait to hear back from her.

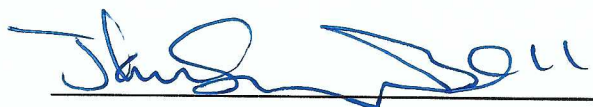
April explained that we need to set our yearly certified tax rate. This is due at the end of the month. We kept it the same last year. If we increase it by more than \$20,000 we would need to have a public hearing. Everyone's vote was to not raise it, and leave it the same.

April asked about putting the meters on the other pump and spring. She forgot to ask Clay if he had talked to Circle B irrigation. Kaleb said that he would talk to Clay tomorrow about it. MJM is using water from a hydrant by the seminary building. April asked if we want to bill them monthly or after the project is done. Everyone decided on monthly.

Trey Riser from TextMyGov. talked to April about signing up the Town for their text message system. It is a computerized system that will send out texts for emergencies, announcements, and people can report issues. It is \$1500 yearly with a \$500 set up fee the first year. The board feels like we are small enough that the cost would not be worth it.

Brandon Hatch had a local boy ask if we could do a movie night in the park after the last softball game. The town board thought that sounded fun, but don't think that we can do it by then. We will talk about doing it in the future.

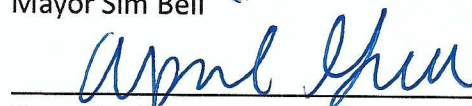
Brandon Hatch made a motion to close at 9:56 PM. Bradon Miller 2nd. All in favor.



Mayor Sim Bell



Date


Town Clerk