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Regular Meeting
Monday, January 10, 2022 – 7:00 PM

1. Supervisor Ogea called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
 - MEMBERS PRESENT:** Pete Koski, Chris Grund, Jeff Ogea, Betty Grund, Sarah Etelamaki
 - MEMBERS ABSENT:** None
 - STAFF PRESENT:** Steve Bartanen, Dylan Jurasin
 - STAFF ABSENT:** None
 - PUBLIC PRESENT:** Tom Prophet, Carrie Hair, Zach Quayle
4. Approval of Agenda
 - MOTION: To approve the agenda with addition 12c. Firefighter Pay.**
 - Chris Grund, Moved; Pete Koski, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.**
5. Approval of Minutes
 - MOTION: To approve the December 14, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes.**
 - Chris Grund, Moved; Betty Grund, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.**
6. Approval of Treasurer's Report:
 - MOTION: To approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Total Assets are as follows:**

General Fund: \$1,526,858.95	Road Fund: \$163,060.31
Sanitation Fund: \$435,442.53	Rail Fund: \$327,751.28
Fire/EMS Fund: \$175,185.29	Trust & Agency Fund: \$5,559.86

 - Sarah Etelamaki, Moved; Pete Koski, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.**
7. Approval of Bills:
 - MOTION: To accept the bills as written.**
 - Betty Grund, Moved; Chris Grund, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.**
8. Reports
 - a. **BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE MEETINGS:** Treasurer Grund attended the PC meeting. Clerk Etelamaki attended the WMCSA meeting and gave a brief report.
 - b. **PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT:** Treasurer Grund went over the PC minutes to update the board. A copy of the full PC minutes are available at the hall.
 - c. **FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:** Chief Bartanen gave a brief summary of the last FD meeting, which included election of officers, all which remained the same. They are also requesting termination letters be sent out to those who are no longer active.
 - d. **ASSESOR REPORT:** Dylan Jurasin stated that it is a busy time of year. He is currently updating land values.
9. Correspondence
 - a. PC Draft Meeting Minutes
 - b. FD Draft Meeting Minutes
 - c. MCRC Letter to Marquette County Board of Commissioners

- d. Letter and Donation from Claudia & Charles Johnson
10. Public Comment: Steve Bartanen cleared up some misinformation regarding the brush truck use.

11. Old Business:

- a. **Township Land Sale:** No new information to report.
- b. **West End Emergency Services Authority Articles of Incorporation:** The Board received correspondence on possible financial figures for funding the Authority. There are still a lot of questions members have and would like to have Ely's Supervisor attend a meeting to go over the details more.
- c. **Extra Police Patrols with Neighboring Townships:** Supervisor Ogea attended an informational meeting and presented it to the board. After a lengthy discussion, the Board decided it was not the best financial decision.

MOTION: To not enter into the Policing Contract.

Jeff Ogea, Moved; Pete Koski, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.

12. New Business:

- a. **PC Member Appointment:** Supervisor Ogea stated there were 2 applicants for the PC Board. He recommended the Board appoint Mrs. Carrie Hair to fill the vacancy.
- MOTION: To accept Supervisor Ogea's recommendation and appoint Carrie Hair to the Planning Commission.**
- Sarah Etelamaki, Moved; Betty Grund, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.**
- b. **FX Road Ordinance & Speed Study Results:** The results of the speed study stated that the road does not meet the criteria for an official speed limit. The Board discussed making some other type of signage to help slow vehicles down.
- The Board also discussed the weight limit ordinance currently in place on Co. Rd FX and the origination of it. After discussion, the Board decided the ordinance is no longer needed for what it was originally intended for.
- MOTION: To rescind the weight limit ordinance on County Road FX.**
- Sarah Etelamaki, Moved; Jeff Ogea, Supported; 4 Ayes, 1 Nay, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.**
- c. **Firefighter Pay:** Chief Bartanen and Assistant Chief Quayle made a request to the Board for consideration of pay for training, meetings, and runs. They are hoping that enacting some sort of pay would boost response for both runs and necessary training. There was back and forth discussion. Clerk Etelamaki wanted to take a look at the financial details of the Fire/EMS fund before making a decision. The Board agreed to revisit the request next month.

13. Public Comment: None

14. Board Member Comments: None

15. Adjournment:

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 8:05pm.

Chris Grund, Moved; Pete Koski, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.