

Town of Minerva
Town Board Meeting
September 1st, 2022

The Semi-monthly meeting of the Minerva Town Board held on Thursday, September 1st, 2022 was called to order at 7:45 PM.

~Upon Roll Call~

Stephen McNally – Supervisor - Present
Douglas McCall – Councilman - Present
Keith Dubay – Councilman – Excused
David LaBar – Councilman – Excused
Scott Fish – Councilman - Present

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment #1: None

#209 Motion by McCall and seconded by Fish to approve RESOLUTION of August 18th, 2022 Town Board Meeting Minutes. Carried 3-0

Correspondence:

- Letter from Penny Goodspeed, dated August 18th, 2022, regarding Farm animals on neighboring property.
- Letter dated August 26th to Chris Watkins, from Code Enforcement Officer addressing the complaint from Penny Goodspeed.

New Business:

#210 Motion by McCall and Seconded by Fish to approve RESOLUTION to Authorize expenditures for Teresa Brannon to attend the Public Historians Annual Conference, not to exceed \$300.00. Carried 3-0

#211 Motion by Fish and seconded by McCall to approve RESOLUTION to Establish a Freedom of Information Law (F.O.I.L.) Application Request Form for F.O.I.L. Requests. Carried 3-0

Supervisor's Report:

- I need to do something to get that \$5000. I was thinking of putting in new lighting for the warming hut, using money that needs to be spent, and/or get a high efficiency furnace,
- We have the New Town signs still on order.
- The fence for the beach, we put out quotes on the fence. Did you want to see if Anderson Steel is interested? McCall- I can ask him.
- Boiler issues at the garage; They are saying they are set at High pressurized, they need to be unpressurised. They don't have an H-stamp on them, because they weren't designed to be high pressurized. They are not a pressurized system. McCall – that's what it does now. Fish – Its not a pressurized system. McNally – But there are pressure tanks outside. S. Fish – Those are expansion tanks. J. Fish – Those are designed to prevent blow off. High pressure steam is 15lbs, high

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pressure is water is much higher than that. S. Fish- That is an open flow system. McNally – you may need to talk to the guy from the state to explain this system. S. Fish – Sure, I can come by tomorrow if Jon is available. J. Fish – I will be there all day. If that can be clarified, then they don't need an H-Stamp. McNally – If you can clear that up that will be great.

- Talked to Dave about the Milfoil. We do have some Milfoil coming back in the Lake. Divers from Schroon Lake can have divers come back in and work on harvesting.
- Budget Forms are out, to the department heads, we have the preliminary numbers, I have an idea we will not be able to stay under the cap, due to the price of fuel, etc.

#212 Motion by McCall seconded by Fish to approve RESOLUTION for authorized up to \$8000.00 for divers to hand harvest Milfoil on Minerva Lake.

Vote taken via Roll Call;

Ayes - McCall, Fish, McNally Nays – None.

Highway Superintendent's Report:

- Sorry I didn't make it last meeting.
- We completed our annual testing for trihalomethanes and a bank of 10 tests for lead an annual copper test.
- We fixed the water line at Betty LeMay's.
- We have been to Crown Point, helping with paving; County-twice, Newcomb, Johnsbury and the Town of Chester.
- Located a water leak in Corrine Coyle's service line that was significant and was losing about 10,000 gallons per day. Tucker's did that.
- Replaced the culvert at Ben McNally's for the county today. Tomorrow, we are taking the upper culvert out, Ben has approved that. So hopefully, we will not have to have the county here.
- I have asked John Bradway to come get the box of the white truck for scrap price.
- We have had guys using up vacations up this past month.
- I would like to ask that we consider putting a single line across the road, by Hayes/Barnes, so we don't have to get a permit to dig the road in the future, in anticipation for development on those lots.

Public Comment #2: None

Councilman comments:

McCall - Do you want to vote on the water project? I am heading out on vacation, and if someone doesn't make it next meeting, we not be able to vote on it next meeting.

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#213 Motion by McCall and seconded by Fish approve RESOLUTION to Award M.J. Engineering and Land Surveying, P.C. as Municipal Civil Engineering Services for the Town of Minerva Water System Upgrades Project.

Vote taken via Roll Call;

Ayes - McCall, Fish, McNally Nays - None.

#214 Motion by Fish seconded by McCall to Adjourn Meeting at 8:07 pm.

Carried 3-0

Theresa Fish
Town Clerk