## August 14, 2023 Regular Board Meeting

The Town of Bloomer regular monthly meeting was held on August 14, 2023 at the Bloomer Town Hall and was called to order by Chairman Gary Nehring at 7:00 pm.

Board Members present were: Gary Nehring, Brian Frion, Brian Lueck, Roxanne Geurkink and Ashley Nelson

Guests Present: Gary Zwiefelhofer and Roger McFarlane

Public Comment: None

All board members were provided a copy of the July 11, 2023 meeting and the August 9, 2023 Special Board meeting minutes. Chairman Nenring made a motion to approve the minutes of both meetings. Supervisor Frion second the motion. Motion carried

Receipts 7734 – 7759 were presented.

Checks 11084-11100 and 2 electronic transfers were presented. Supervisor Lueck made a motion to approve the report and pay the bills. Supervisor Frion second the motion. Motion carried.

The Board is proposing to use the Town's portion of the ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds to resurface the Town's parking lot. More information will be gathered as to blacktop versus cement and what exactly should be included in the bid notice.

Chairman Nehring made a motion to book a propane contract with Chippewa Valley Energy of 2,800 gallons at \$1.419 per gallon. Supervisor Frion second the motion. Motion carried.

Wages for the Town's part time employees were discussed. Chairman Nehring made a motion to increase the wages for Road Person 1 to \$24.00 per hour and Road Person 2 to \$22.00 per hour. Supervisor Lueck second the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman Nehring made a motion to increase the Zoning Administrator wage to \$30.00 per hour. Supervisor Luck second the motion. Supervisor Frion opposed. Motion passed with a 2 to 1 vote in favor of increase. Supervisor Frion works have wanted a higher a mount

Prices were obtained for tires for the big plow truck. Quotes are as follows:

Chippewa County \$2,355.00 Day's Tire \$2,171.42 Bloomer Tire \$1,425.12

Chairman Nehring made a motion to purchase the tires from Bloomer Tire for a price of \$1,425.12. Supervisor Lueck second the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion has been ongoing as to how to handle zoning within the Town in the future. The Town has had a hard time maintaining a zoning administrator. The Town will have Doug Cleary from the Chippewa County Zoning office come to a Town meeting in the near future to explain what adopting county zoning would mean for the Town and any options the Town has for the county to execute any or all parts of the Town's current zoning or any other options available.

Supervisor Lueck made a motion to issue operator licenses for the following applications: Heidi Arendt, Sharlyn Denning, Michael Denning and Thomas Davey. Supervisor Frion second the motion. Motion carried.

Various correspondence and mail items were discussed.

The next Town Board Meeting will be Monday, September 11, 2023 and will begin at 7:30 pm. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm

Roxanne Geurkink, Clerk