

gave him the approval. Steve said that there is some stuff that they don't need to bring to the board, but the big dollar stuff needs addressed.

Steve said that on the 30th the insulation will be coming in at Menards and then the well houses we be complete. Stephen said that the building looks nice, and it saved us a ton of money.

Claims Docket for Year End 2023 - \$64,014.02 – Stephen asked if this amount included the additional money for the fire department. Marcy told him that she will be transferring money not paying money. Steve asked how much money was in the fire department's budget and Marcy told him that they had several thousand, but she didn't bring a report with her to this meeting. Steve asked how the lions club money is done. Marcy told him that the town pays the utilities, insurance, and the property taxes. Steve asked if the town got any of the money from renting the building and Marcy said no. Stephen asked who pays the utilities and Marcy told him that the town does. Stephen said that the lights are left on all the time all night. Stephen said that he would get the code from Joe and go down there and shut them off. Stephen said that he wanted to get it straight; the town pays the utilities, the insurance, and the property tax and they get all the money from renting it. Marcy said yes. Steve asked if the town pays for the remodeling and Marcy told him that she believes that it is the fire department but can't remember. Stephen made a motion to sign the APV Register. Jim 2nd. All Ayes. The board will sign the docket after the meeting.

Ordinances & Resolutions – Stephen made a motion read Resolution 2023-07 by title only. Jim 2nd All Ayes. Steve read Resolution 2023-07 by title only. Stephen made a motion to approve and sign Resolution 2023-07. Jim 2nd. All Ayes. The board signed Resolution 2023-07.

Citizens Comments – Steve asked if anyone had any comments. No Comments

Steve closed the meeting @ 1:21pm.

Sick
Steve Hernly, President – Town Board

Jim Main
Jim Main – Town Board Member

Stephen Conner
Stephen Conner – Town Board Member

Attest:

Marcy Yuknavage
Marcy Yuknavage – Clerk-Treasurer

January 2, 2024

The Farmland Town Council met on Tuesday, January 2, 2024, at 6:00pm, in the council room at 104 E Henry Street for a Regular Town Council Meeting. Those present were Jim Main, Stephen Conner, Jason Welch, Andy Croyle, Curtis Cunningham, and Marcy Yuknavage (Steve Hernly was sick).

Stephen called the meeting to order.

Stephen asked everyone to stand for the Pledge.

Stephen opened the regular town board meeting.

Jim motioned to accept the minutes for December 6, 2023, and December 28, 2023, as written.
Stephen 2nd. All Ayes.

Jim motioned to record the November 2023 Bank Reconciliation as Reconciled. Stephen 2nd. All Ayes.

Jim motioned to approve and sign the Payroll Allowance Dockets for December 4, 2023, December 18, 2023, and December 28, 2023. Stephen 2nd. All Ayes. The board signed all payroll dockets.

Jim motioned to approve the overtime spreadsheet for the month of December. Stephen 2nd. All Ayes.

City Building – 1. Marcy presented the board with the full copy from the SBOA for the 2018 – 2022 audit. Jason asked if there were any findings and Marcy said no and told him that the auditors said I was doing a good job across the board. Jason congratulated Marcy on a job well done.

2. Marcy presented Complaint form 2024-01 which was turned into her office this morning. Jason said that nothing needs to be done for an anonymous complaint. Stephen Conner said that he has received several calls about people living in a camper at 311 E Church St. Stephen said that since Melvin is out on sick leave to ask Joe to look into it. Stephen said that he has also received complaints about trash totes being left out all the time. Jim and Stephen would like warnings issued to people who do not bring up their trash totes.

3. Marcy presented the board with the complete list of 2023 complaints. She said that she doesn't have any updates on the complaints. Jason said that we are not required to have resolutions for complaints.

HFUSA – Curtis said that the numbers were low for the Christmas Walk because the school had the Christmas Concert the same night. The school said that they will work with HFUSA and the Christmas Walk moving forward.

Jim said that the Christmas Tree is nice and that he feels it was money well spent. Everyone agreed.

Police –written report from the previous month with the activities detailed each month so the board is kept better informed on what is happening in town. Stephen asked Marcy to add this to next month's agenda since Melvin is on sick leave.

Street – Stephen asked Marcy to add this to next month's agenda since Melvin is on sick leave.

Fire – Stephen asked Marcy to add this to next month's agenda since Melvin is on sick leave.

Water – 1. Stephen told Andy that they wanted him to present a written report for water and sewage with detail as to what happened during the month. Andy said OK.

2. Marcy presented the board with the Water Tower Condition Assessment Report. She told them that the cost per month for the maintenance is staying the same @ \$536.65 per month.

3. Andy told the board that one well house is complete except for the insulation. He said that they will do the other well house in the spring. He said that the second one will be easier because they know what to do now.

4. Andy asked the board what they wanted him to do next. He asked if they want him to get pricing on the 8" main. Jim asked how long, and Andy said it would be about 100' and he said he would guess that it will cost about \$30,000. Or do they want him to get pricing to replace the 4" main with new and loop it. The board would like to table this until next month.

Sewage – 1. Andy said the sewage line replaced on Williams Street is complete.

2. Andy said the String Gauge is installed and correct. The new IDEM inspector for Farmland helped the engineer install it. Andy said the river is hardly flowing and he is required to read the gauge every day.

3. IDEM and EPA said we need to write up a new compliance plan with an engineer. The town has been on an agreed order and sewer ban. Andy said that we will probably need to put air in the lagoons, evaluate them and submit it to IDEM. Andy said when he started there was a quote for \$160,000. Andy said that they can come off the well house generator for back-up power. Andy will get with Curry.

4. Andy said that Wessler wants to do a smoke test this summer to capture laterals that have problems. Andy said that he will talk to Curry before Wessler. He said there may be grants for new sewer lines.

Ordinances & Resolutions –

Jason read Resolution 2024-01 Allowing the investments of funds by title only. Jim motioned to approve Resolution 2024-01. Stephen 2nd. All Ayes

Jason read Resolution 2024-02 Clerk-Treasurer to pay certain claims by title only. Jim motioned to approve Resolution 2024-02. Stephen 2nd. All Ayes

Jason read Resolution 2024-03 Pay membership and dues by title only. Jim motioned to approve Resolution 2024-03. Stephen 2nd. All Ayes

Jason read Resolution 2024-04 Designating a newspaper for legal advertising by title only. Jim motioned to approve Resolution 2024-04. Stephen 2nd. All Ayes

Jason presented the board with his Attorney Conflict of Interest. Jason told them that he represents Losantville and Area Plan. Jim motioned to sign the Conflict of Interest. Stephen 2nd. All Ayes. Stephen signed the Conflict of Interest.

Jason presented the board with 3 options for his yearly contract.

1. Agreement A - \$3,000.00 to make all reasonable efforts to be present at all town monthly meetings. Additional services will be charged at a rate of \$175.00 per hour and \$250.00 will be charged for any additional meetings.
2. Agreement B - \$1,500.00 to make all reasonable efforts to be present at 6 town monthly meetings. Additional services will be charged at a rate of \$175.00 per hour and \$250.00 will be charged for any additional meetings.
3. Agreement C - \$2,250.00 to make all reasonable efforts to be present at 9 town monthly meetings. Additional services will be charged at a rate of \$175.00 per hour and \$250.00 will be charged for any additional meetings.

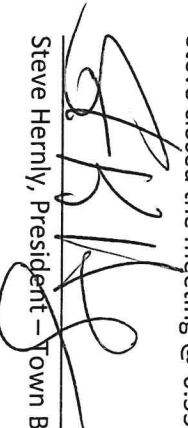
Jim motioned to approve Agreement A for \$3000.00, Stephen 2nd. All Ayes. Stephen signed the contract.

Claims Docket for January 2, 2024 - \$28,964.71 – Jim made a motion to sign the APV Register. Stephen 2nd. All Ayes. Board will sign docket after the meeting.

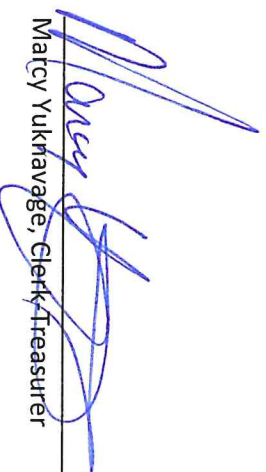
Citizens Comments – Stephen asked if anyone had any comments. Curtis said that he attended an auction at the old Cox house at the corner of Jackson and Main St. He said that he thinks that building is unsafe. He said that the sistren is open and an animal or child could fall into it. He doesn't know who won the bid, but John Tinsman was there bidding on the property. Jason said that when Melvin comes back to work, he should look at the property to see if it is unsafe.

No more comments.

Steve closed the meeting @ 6:35pm.



Steve Hernly, President – Town Board



Marcy Yulkravage, Clerk-Treasurer