TOWN OF WORCESTER REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

March 18th, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Worcester Town Hall.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Chairman Jim Michler

Supervisor Jeremy Pesko Supervisor Russ Long

Clerk/Treasurer Alli Mathys

Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Regina Damjanovic

12 Visitors

Approve minutes from February 19th, 2025 Regular Town Board Meeting

Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from February 19th, 2025 Town Board Meeting. Motion carried.

Clerk/Treasurer Report

Technical issues with Forward Bank website. Will transfer from the BCMMA account to cover checks written. Early voting started today, we will be available again next Monday and Tuesday from 10-2pm or you can call and schedule an appointment. The Board signs to approve Regina to have access to the town's Forward Bank accounts.

Chair Report

- 25 acres Surveyor found a handwritten note that the 25 acres was to be used for a school forest. Atty Writz said there's no legal meaning to that note. The surveyor also found an easement for the County, giving them the right to access the County Forest through the 25 acres. County Admin, Nick Trimner, agreed to bring it to the County board to get the easement removed. Once surveyed and mapped, the town will start to sell lots.
- Hills Rd. bridge engineering is in progress, working on getting right of way permissions needed. Need easements from people who have land around the bridge.
- Disappearing Creek Bridge submitted request for reimbursement to the State, but were told it could take several months. The total cost of the bridge project was slightly over \$600,000, we will receive 50% of that from the State and 25% from the County. The original estimate for the bridge project was \$800,000.
- Wake boats drafted ordinance for the town, State law requires it to be first approved by DNR. DNR is requiring a condition report, which includes testimonials from those who will both be positively and negatively affected by the ordinance. The process of submitting these testimonials is to send them by email to the Town Clerk and then a condition report will be written and submitted to the DNR.

Road Crew Report and Transfer Station Report

Dwayne has been doing a lot of brush mowing. Working on patching potholes and finished limbing and chipping on Moon and Little Elk roads. Installed low water signs on the new bridge. Steaming out culverts. Placed cones on Old 13, the north side of Hills Rd., because there's frost breaking up the road. Created a list of potential roads that need to be crack filled. Transfer station - brush pile was burned by fire department. Fire safety inspection on building, no violations.

Items for Discussion and possible action:

Fire charges from City of Phillips

Motion was made and seconded to table the discussion on fire charges to the next meeting. Motion carried.

Repairs to grader - leased to City of Phillips

Motion was made and seconded to table the discussion on repairs to the grader that is leased to the City of Phillips to the next meeting. Motion carried.

Spring road review meeting

Road review scheduled for Tuesday, April 8th, 2025 at 8:00 am.

ARIP grant

Interviewed SEH and MSA both are fully capable of completing the project. Both firms agreed there are concerns about completing the project within budget with the current parameters. Decided to take core samples and get a more detailed estimate to ensure the project can be completed within budget. Motion was made and seconded to hire MSA engineering firm for the ARIP grant. Motion carried.

Approve vouchers

Motion was made and seconded to approve the March vouchers in the amount of \$34,196.04. Motion carried.

Adjourn

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 7:58 pm. Motion carried.

Regina Damjanovic, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer