

## TOWN OF DEPOSIT MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The Town of Deposit held their regular Town Board Meeting on Tuesday, March 7, 2023 at 5:00pm. Councilmen present- Carl Clark, Robert Mills, and Lonny Schaefer. Town Supervisor-Thomas Axtell, Highway Superintendent- Daniel Axtell, Code Enforcement Officer-Peter Hathaway, Bookkeeper-Rebecca Walley, Town Clerk Beverly Hartz, and Deputy Town Clerk- Elizabeth Polomcean. Absent- Councilman-William Morley.

1.1 Public Participation- none

2.0- Minutes and Reports

2.1 The Town Board Meeting minutes from February 14, 2023 were reviewed. Councilman Clark made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Mills seconded. Motion carried.

2.2 The Payment of Bills was reviewed. The bills that were paid in General Fund 66-85. Highway Fund- Item #1-2-3, Item #3-13-25, Item #4-7-9. Councilman Mills made a motion to accept the payment of bills. Councilman Schaefer seconded. Motion carried.

2.3 The Financial Report- Bookkeeper Walley stated that she finished the AUD and submitted it. Councilman Schaefer made the motion to accept the Financial Report. Councilman Clark Seconded. Motion carried.

2.4 The Highway Department –Highway Superintendent Axtell stated they had T. Smith Electrical install LED lights in the Old Garage, fix an exit light, put new bulbs in the ceiling lights, and replace the outside light over top of overhead door in the New Garage. Truck #3, 1997 Freightliner, and the Bandit Wood Chipper were serviced. There were 8 days of snow and ice removal. Ditching was done on County Route 20 and Schofield Roads. The overhaul on the backhoe is pretty much done. Brush was also cut throughout the town. Councilman Schaefer made a motion to accept the Highway report. Councilman Mills seconded. Motion carried.

2.5 No Health Officer report at this time.

2.6 Code Enforcement Officer Report- CEO Hathaway stated there were no building permits issued, no certificate of occupancy issued, and no inspections done this past month. He stated that he did a one day code class in person in Sidney and a 1 ½ hour online class this past month. Councilman Mills made a motion to accept the Code Enforcement Officer's report. Councilman Clark seconded. Motion carried.

2.7 Planning Board Meeting Report- No report, the meeting is this coming Thursday. It was stated that they are working on a revised Solar Law for the Town of Deposit. Councilman Schaefer made the motion to accept the Planning Board report. Councilman Mills seconded. Motion carried.

2.8 The Dog Control Officer Report-The DCO report stated that there was 1 call for this past month. It was for an abandoned dog, after the owner was incarcerated. Councilman Schaefer made the motion to accept the Dog Control Officer's report. Councilman Clark seconded. Motion carried.

2.9 Town Clerk Report was reviewed. Town Clerk Hartz stated that there was one death this past month. She stated that tax payments are still slowly coming in. Town Clerk Hartz stated we are currently around 80% taxes collected for the town. Councilman Mills made a motion to accept the Town Clerk report. Councilman Schaefer seconded. Motion carried.

### 3.0- Old Business

3.1- Review of Roods Creek Road repair project- Supervisor Axtell stated that the Highway Committee decided to step back and see if there is an alternative to the GSI estimate. GSI refigured the estimate based on the current costs, this would bring the estimate up an additional \$57,000, for a total estimated cost of \$376,441.20. Supervisor Axtell stated that originally it was figured that a portion of the fund balance (\$100,00.00) would be used so that a bond did not have to be taken out for the full amount.

Highway Superintendent Axtell stated that right now the only way the estimate will change is if the site gets worse. He stated that permits from the DEC and Army Corp are currently in the process of being obtained. Highway Superintendent Axtell stated that as of right now GSI can start the project 3-4 weeks after they get the go ahead to put the project on the books. He also stated that it was asked if any state aid or grants qualify for this project. Highway Superintendent Axtell stated that when he called to ask about it he was told yes the current state aid that we receive, CHIPS, POPS etc; do qualify for this project. He also stated that the plan GSI has for this project has a 5 year guarantee. Councilman Schaefer and Councilman Mills both expressed their concerns of the amount of money needed to be spent on the project.

It was decided to have another Highway committee meeting before the next board meeting to discuss this further. There are some concerns about the price and scale of the project to see if a different fix can be used instead. It was suggested that the board members visit the site before a final decision is made.

4.0- New Business-

4.1- Joint Clean Up Day with the Town of Sanford- It was decided to do a cleanup day the same day as the Town of Sanford but the Town of Deposit would do their own cleanup at the Town of Deposit Highway location. Councilman Schaefer made a motion to approve the Clean Up day. Councilman Mills seconded. Motion carried.

5.0-Informational Items- None

Councilman Schaefer made a motion to adjourn meeting at 5:45pm. Councilman Clark seconded. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 5:00pm

Beverly Hartz  
Town Clerk