

Minutes of the 2023 Annual Meeting

The Town of Burnett Annual Meeting was called to order at 6 pm prior to our Monthly Meeting on Tuesday, April 18, 2023 by Chairman Fletcher.

Chairman asked if everyone signed in; 35 people were in attendance. Attendance form is on file in Clerk's office. Chairman noted a hand count would be taken for any votes. It was mentioned that minutes are all posted on the website and do not need to be read at meetings; they can be approved as written.

Jarrod McCurdy from Cedar Corporation presented the bids for the sanitary regionalization to Beaver Dam and took questions from the floor. Discussion took place on the cost of the system and fees (approx. \$800 a qtr.) that were in excess of what residents thought they were to be. It was mentioned it would cost more to fix what we have. Motion was made by Kasey Young and seconded by Mark Saeger to release the funds from Ergo Bank; motion carried. 18 yes, 1 no. With the release of funds, we accept the bid recommended from Cedar Corporation at approximately \$6.2 million; we would get approximately \$3.8 in a principle forgiveness grant.

Motion was made by Kasey Young and seconded by Don Peachey to accept the minutes as printed. Motion carried.

The 2022 Financial Statement was reviewed. A motion was made by Kasey Young and seconded by Mark Saeger to accept the statement. Motion carried.

The Burnett Sanitary District report was read by Todd Peterson. A motion was made by Mark Saeger and seconded by Kasey Young to accept the report. Motion carried.

No one was present to give the Stone Cemetery report.

The Burnett Central Cemetery report was read by Don Peachey. A motion was made by Todd Peterson and seconded by Dean Sawyer to accept the report. Motion carried.

The North Burnett Cemetery report was read by Ben Kenzi. A motion was made by Dean Sawyer and seconded by Tom Diels to accept the report. Motion carried.

After discussion on cemeteries a motion was made by Todd Peterson and seconded by Ron Machkovech to increase the funds by \$500 each. Motion carried. Motion was made by Doug Ninmann and seconded by Myah Possin to continue to pay the cemeteries a rate of \$3,500 each in 2023. Hand count was unanimous.

The dates of May 13 and October 14 were set for collection of large items at the town dump. Thursday night collections will start May 25 and end August 31.

Trick or Treat was set for Sunday, October 29 from 2-4 pm.

A motion was made by Lavern Pieper and seconded by Doug Ninmann to use Ergo Bank as the Town bank and the Local Government Investment Pool for Town Outlay Funds. Motion carried. Hand count was unanimous.

A motion was made by Todd Peterson and seconded by Tom Diels to allow an increase of \$25,000 over the road budget if needed. Motion carried. Hand count was unanimous.

A motion was made by Kasey Young and seconded by Mark Saeger to allow the Town Board to borrow up to \$100,000 if necessary, to carry on Town business. Motion carried. Hand count was unanimous.

Lease of land for recreational usage. Discussion took place regarding the recent land purchase and leasing the land once the deed restriction is finalized. Town would advertise for bids on the lease of land on social media. Town needs to check insurance responsibilities. Land would eventually go up for sale.

Agri Entertainment Ordinance was drafted by Town Attorney and read by clerk. Motion was made by Doug Ninmann and seconded by Dean Sawyer to post ordinance as needed and approve, pending no negative feedback, at the May meeting; unless Waldvogel's request a special meeting earlier, it would be at their expense. Motion carried.

Discussion was opened for any other items.

The date of April 16 was set for the Annual Meeting 2024.

A motion was made by Lavern Pieper and seconded by Kasey Young to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 pm. Motion carried.

Chris Merkes, Clerk/Treasurer