

# **MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING**

## **Thursday, October 10, 2019**

### **UNAPPROVED**

The Special Town Board Meeting in the Town Office was called to Order by Chairperson Webb at 5:00pm and a Roll Call was done to establish a Quorum with Seana Frint, Susan Jansen and Tom Emerson in attendance. Donna Porter was absent. Tom Renz was also in attendance. Clerk Bourassa verified notice.

*A motion was made (Frint/Jansen) to approve the Agenda. Voice vote taken, motion carried.*

A recommendation by Tom Renz to hire a fulltime EMT candidate was discussed. The candidate would receive \$16 an hour (or \$25 an hour on runs) and receive health and life insurance, a health savings account contribution, short term disability and a 5% contribution to the 457 plan.

*A motion was made (Frint/Jansen) to send an offer of employment to Gary Herreld, Jr. at a rate of \$16/hr (\$25/hr when on runs) and benefits. Voice vote taken, motion carried.*

A recommendation to accept the application of a new volunteer ambulance member was made by Tom Renz. This is Tom's nephew and he is a Bayfield County Sheriff's Deputy.

*A motion was made (Frint/Emerson) to accept David Renz, Jr's application to the Ambulance Department. Voice vote was taken, motion carried.*

Change Order #3 in the amount \$706 for the new Emergency Services Building was reviewed. It includes the pouring of a concrete pad for the propane tank and installing a 3 way switch in the lounge area.

*A motion was made (Emerson/Frint) to approve Change Order #3 in the amount of \$706.00, bringing the contract total to \$490,208.00. Voice vote was taken, motion carried.*

Closed Session: As the governing body for the Town of Barnes, the Town Board will go into a closed session pursuant to the following:

- a) Wis. Stat § 19.85(c) "considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility."

*A motion was made (Jansen/Frint) to go into closed session at 6:23pm. Voice vote taken, motion carried.*

Tom Renz left the meeting at 6:50pm.

*A motion was made (Frint/Jansen) to return to open session at 8:08pm. Voice vote taken, motion carried.*

*A motion was made (Frint/Jansen) to offer Tanner Weidner a full time highway crewmember position at a rate of \$20/hr with benefits. Voice vote taken, motion carried.*

*A motion was made (Frint/Emerson) to authorize the town chair to sign an audit engagement letter with Eagle Audit & Accounting, LLC for a one year contract. Voice vote taken, motion carried.*

Budget work session

*A motion was made (Jansen/Emerson) to adjourn. Voice vote taken, motion carried.*

Meeting adjourned at 9:40pm.

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