Town of North Hills Council meeting minutes January 27th, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7PM by Mayor Dale Baumgartner at the 36th Street Church of Christ multipurpose room. Present: Dale Baumgartner, Cheney English, Regina Smith, Don Stemple, Fred Newberry, Chris Nahley (call in), and Rachel Hensley (call in). Also in attendance was Steve Simington who represents North Hills on the Wood County alternate transportation council.

Minutes

A motion to approve the January 13th minutes as amended was made by Cheney English, seconded by Don Stemple, approved by council.

Safety

Council discussed the need for a Safety program for the pool. Cheney English to create a safety checklist for those working at the pool.

Recorder's report

Town paid Lawns Unlimited \$2,292.40 for snow removal.

Town paid Suttle and Stalnaker:

\$8,350 for compilation of financial statements \$825 for bookkeeping \$1,000 for PSC report

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Town received a check from Union Williams in the amount of \$4,872.17. \$500 was taken out for the maintenance fee and \$3,104.33 for the chemical addition.

Updated council on the USDA loan account. The town owes \$831,444.30. We paid \$39,236.88 in interest for the year 2021 and paid \$31,095.12 in principle...

Town paid back the Parks and Recreation account \$10,000 that was borrowed from the General account to assist in the 9/11/2020 road repair.

Town has received 35% of the street user fees that are due by the 15th of February.

Committee updates

There was a discussion around the 2022 calendar town events. Council will update at our next meeting.

Question was raised as to whether we would stock trout in the spring or wait until the fall. This item is under consideration.

Steve Simington gave a presentation on the work of the Wood County alternate transportation council which he is a part of representing the town of North Hills. His tenure with the council has expired and would like to continue representing the town of North Hills which requires the town to nominate him to this position. Don Stemple made a motion to nominate Mr. Simington to this position, seconded by Cheney English, approved by council.

Dale will let the transportation council know of our decision to retain Steve as the North Hills representative.

Projects the Wood County alternate transportation council is working on are highway turn lanes, bicycling on Rosemar road and a trail from North Hills into McDonough Park. Mr. Simington will update the town council of progress throughout the year.

Don Stemple informed council that the Handicap signs are on order.

Don Stemple is going to contact Miles Electric on future work for the pond fountain electrical upgrades and Regina will contact Mr. Baillargeon (resident) on his availability for future electrical work.

Don Stemple rendered a second reading of the proposed pool governance ordinance. A motion to approve the ordinance was made by Cheney English, seconded by Regina Smith, approved by council.

Don updated council on proposed pool rate dues. Council recommended a fee adjustment on two of the proposed dues. Don will discuss with the pool board and get back to council.

Don mentioned that the pool board is looking for multiple bids from the YMCA to include swim lessons, someone to run the concession stand and other.

Dale mentioned that there are 3 DEP non compliances that are being addressed:

Lack of I&I report
Solids and build up in pump basin-cleaning needed
Need for secondary confinement of de-sulfur mixture

Cheney English made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00, seconded by Fred Newberry, approved by council. The next regular scheduled meeting will be on February 10th, at the 36th Street Church of Christ building in Vienna at 7PM.