

Town of Whitewater Town Board Annual Meeting Minutes April 22, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

Lowell Hagen called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Present: Carrie Hintz, Lowell Hagen, Bob Strand, Norman Prusener, Claudia Holst, Dan Holst, Jim Harmon, Eydie Strand, Pat Ross, Sean Blanton (non-resident), Dennis Klumb, Jr. (non-resident).

The minutes of the 2014 annual meeting were reviewed. Norm Prusener made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Bob Strand. Motion passed unanimously.

Norm made a motion to elect Lowell as the meeting chair, seconded by Bob. Motion passed unanimously.

The people present were asked how they would like to vote, ballots, show of hands or voice. Norm Prusener made a motion for show of hands, seconded by Bob. Motion passed 9-0.

The Annual Report prepared by the town accountant, Patrick Romenesko, was reviewed. Lowell reviewed and didn't find any grievous errors. He stated that we basically stayed within \$1800 of exactly where we were supposed to be and made it all work out. Ms. Ross asked why the report says there is an adverse opinion. Carrie explained that, per the accountant, years ago there was a change in the reporting rules regarding reporting depreciation on capital assets and our board decided not to report that. The accountant said that it isn't an issue and that he just has to put that information in the report. The state's concern is that we're audited. Claudia Holst made a motion to accept the report as written, Daniel Holst seconded. Motion passed 9-0.

Lakeland Animal Shelter – Lowell explained that the shelter did a presentation explaining what they do and where they get their money. They do get some money from the county, but much of their money comes from charitable donations. They are in the process of building a new facility and Lowell would like to review our ability to make a donation at budget time. We currently have nearly \$40,000 in our annual building fund. Norm made a motion to take \$2,500 out of our building fund and make a one-time donation to the animal shelter's building fund, seconded by Lowell. Motion passed 9-0.

Discussed wages for part-time employees when supervisors work for township and decided on \$12.50 per hour. Norm made a motion to pay \$12.50 per hour, seconded by Bob. Motion passed 9-0.

Public Input – None

Set date for 2015 Annual Meeting – Lowell made a motion to set the 2016 Annual Meeting for Wednesday, April 20th at 6:30pm with the town board meeting to immediately follow, seconded by Norm. Motion passed 9-0.

Daniel Holst made motion to adjourn, seconded by Claudia Holst at 6:40pm. Motion passed 9-0.

Respectfully submitted by Carrie Hintz, Clerk/Treasurer
