

## **March 14th, 2024, unofficial MINUTES**

The Lorraine Town Board opened the organizational meeting and monthly meeting at 6:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

Present were: Supervisor Sandra Clark, Councilman David Johnson, Councilman Lester Hobbs, Councilperson Rachel Pitkin, Councilman Gordon Hutton, Highway Superintendent Joe Wasilewski, and Town Clerk Sarah Edington

Citizen's present- Taylor Jennings, John Howland, and Angie Kimball.

### **AUDIT/AUTHORIZATION OF BILLS:**

**MOTION #31 of 2024 Bill # 2024G30-53** was made by Councilman Lester Hobbs and seconded by Councilman Gordon Hutton. All present were in favor. Motion carried

**MOTION #32 of 2024 Bill # 2024H37-56** was made by Councilperson Rachel Pitkin and seconded by Councilman David Johnson. All present were in favor. Motion carried

### **CITIZENS RECOGNITION:**

**Angie Kimball-** Gave the Town Board the Tug Hill report.

**John Howland-** Gave the Town Board his report.

**Taylor Jennings-** informed the Town Board that a 3.2-million-dollar grant has been awarded to the Town of Lorraine and that is nearly 70% of the cost. Taylor Jennings then informed the Town Board of other opportunities and options for more grants and loans. The Town Board now will need to advertise for an engineering company.

**ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:** No new updates.

**HEALTH OFFICER:** No new updates.

**ASSESSOR:** No new updates.

**B.A.R:** No new updates.

**PLANNING BOARD:** Marty sent in his report.

**CEMETERY-** No new updates.

**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:** No new updates.

**UPDATES FROM COMMITTEES:** No new updates.

**MOTION #33 of 2024 To Accept Town Clerk's Report** was made by Councilperson Rachel Pitkin and seconded by Councilman David Johnson. All present were in favor. Motion carried

**MOTION #34 of 2024- February 8th of 2024 Meeting Minutes** with corrections were made by Councilperson Rachel Pitkin and seconded by Councilman Lester Hobbs. All present were in favor. Motion carried

**MOTION #35 of 2024 to Accept the Audit of the Town Clerks Petty cash** was made by Councilperson Rachel Pitkin and seconded by Councilman David Johnson. All present were in favor. Motion carried.

**MOTION #36 of 2024 to Accept the Year-end Audit of the Town Clerk** was made by Councilman David Johnson and seconded by Councilman Lester Hobbs. All present were in favor. Motion carried.

**MOTION #37 of 2024 to Accept the Year-end Audit of the Town Supervisor** was made by Councilman David Johnson and seconded by Councilman Lester Hobbs. All present were in favor. Motion carried.

**Unfinished Business:**

1. Inkwell- have not heard back from Inkwell but, a local Alex Pontiff has requested to make a new sign for the Town for complimentary. The Town Supervisor will reach out and hope to present information at the next meeting with his ideas.
2. Panic Buttons/Security- are up and working The Town Board then discussed the security panel.
3. Guilfoyle-the meeting is March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024 as a possible option rather than South Jeff Rescue Squad. Councilperson Rachel Pitkin is concerned that the tax district could be terrible for the taxpayers.
4. Grants- The Justice grant was sent in but, was returned and needs to be finalized. Highway Superintendent Joe Wasilewski discussed with the Town Board the need for new email domains and that there are grant funds available.

**New Business:**

1. SNIRT run March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024- Supervisor Sandra Clark received the SNIRT contract **MOTION #38 of 2024** was made by Councilperson Rachel Pitkin and seconded by Councilman David Johnson to sign the 2024 SNIRT run contract.
2. Revaluation/Feedback- Jim Rounds had said it was the smallest turnout he had seen.
3. Town of Lorraine sign-discussed during unfinished business.
4. Water Project Update- discussed during citizens' recognition.
5. Cemetery Survey- Supervisor Sandra Clark inquired about next steps regarding the survey of cemetery on Mooney Gulf Rd.

**Highway Superintendent:** Highway Superintendent Joe Wasilewski discussed with the Town Board ordering new flag kits with metal rods. The old electronics have been taken to the transfer site. The filing of the minimal maintenance law will be filed as soon as possible. Highway Superintendent Joe Wasilewski intends to attend the Tug Hill annual conference. The Town

Board and Highway Superintendent Joe Wasilewski discussed a new site for the disposal of road kill. The gradall is getting work done, and a CHIPS update possible increase is expected.

**Executive Session-**

**MOTION #39 of 2024** was presented by Councilman David Johnson and seconded by Councilperson Rachel Pitkin to go out of the regular meeting at 8:11 pm. All present were in favor. The motion was carried.

**MOTION #40 of 2024** was made by Supervisor Sandra Clark, and seconded by Councilman David Johnson to go into executive session at 8:17 p.m. All are present in favor. Motion carried.

**MOTION #41 of 2024** was made by Supervisor Sandra Clark, and seconded by Councilman David Johnson to exit the executive session at 8:37 p.m. All are present in favor. Motion carried.

**MOTION #42 of 2024** was made by Councilman David Johnson and seconded by Councilperson Rachel Pitkin to go back into regular meetings at 8:37 p.m. All are present in favor. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT: MOTION #43 of 2024** was made by Councilperson Rachel Pitkin and seconded Councilman Gordon Hutton to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. All present in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Town Clerk, Sarah Edington