

MINUTES Annual Meeting of April 16,2024

Chairperson Dennis Graf called the Annual Meeting of the Town of Meeme to order at 7:00 p. m. on April 16, 2024 at the Meeme Town Hall. Twenty-two (22) Town Residents, six (6) Board Members, one (1) Shop Supervisor, eight (8) Fire Department Personnel and one (1) County Board Representative signed in at the door.

- ➤ Dennis Graf led The Pledge of Allegiance.
- ➤ Chairperson Dennis Graf introduced the Town officers.
- ➤ Minutes of the Annual Meeting of April 2023 were read by Clerk, Valerie Spindler. A motion to approve the minutes as read was made by Myron Mueller and seconded by Gary Mueller. Motion carried.
- ➤ Page Kueller from Valders Ambulance presented their report for 2023. She reported Valders Ambulance had 557 calls for service in 2023 with 50 calls to Town of Meeme. Enroute time is 2 seconds as they get a pre-alert and are in house. Average time to be at the call is 9-1/2 minutes.
- ➤ John Neils, Conty Board Representative gave his report. He noted, the biggest issue currently is the discussion of the County Courthouse dome refurbishing.
- ➤ Personnel from four of the fire departments, Howards Grove, St Nazianz, Ada and Cleveland that serve Town of Meeme gave their reports for 2023. St. Nazianz also presented their first responders report.
- ➤ The annual financial statements were presented and discussed. Proposal was made to increase cost of stickers for recycling to \$2.00 to offset some of the recycling costs. No concerns were aired. The Board will take the increase in stickers under advisement After discussion, a motion to approve the financial statements as reported was made by Delores Deehr and seconded by Cynthia Roeck. Motion carried.
- ➤ Henry Langenhahn reported thirty seven building permits were issued including one new home and one home moved in 2023.

- ➤ Rich Ward, the mew Peace Officer introduced himself. He accepted the position of Peace Officer after Ian decided not to run for the Constable position. Rich is retired from DNR and was park ranger for twenty years and is retired for 15 years. He has had a few animal calls in addition to a few other issues since he started the position.
- ➤ It was noted that Grotta Appraisals is now Catilis.
- ➤ Dennis Graf presented the operations report. The town purchased a new plow truck which cost approximately \$250,000 A loan was taken out from Cleveland State Bank to fund the purchase. An area on Point Creek Road needs to be dug out and refilled. The County is sharing half the cost of culvert replacement. We have approximately 25-30 culverts that need replacement. The updated fee schedule is included in the annual report which shows increases in some of the fees. Fees for building permits were increased to cover the costs that we are charged by the building inspector.
- ➤ The board is asking for an increase in salary of \$600 per person and \$5 per meeting. A motion to approve the increase in salary of \$600 annually for the Chairman and Supervisors in addition to an increase of \$5 per meeting attended was made by Gary Mueller and seconded by Bob Salm. Motion carried.
- A motion to pay the board for additional work performed the same as the employees are paid in addition to \$600 annually to maintain the cemetery and \$13 per hour to clean the town hall was made by Larry Stephen and seconded by Delored Deehr. Motion carried.
- > Dennis Graf reviewed the following dates
 - Open Book May 20, 2024 (10am-noon). In person
 - o BOR June 17, 2024 3:00-5:00 pm.
 - o Annual Meeting-3rd Tuesday of April, April 15, 2025, 7:00pm.
 - o 2024 Election Dates
 - February 20, 2024 Spring Primary(if needed)
 - April 2, 2024-Spring Election&Presidential Preference
 - August 6-Primary Election
 - November 5, 2024-General Election
 - o 2025 Election Dates
 - February 18, 2025-Spring Primary(if needed)
 - April 1, 2025-Spring Election
- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jon Roeck and seconded by Bob Deehr. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Valerie E Spindler, Clerk