



MINUTES Annual Meeting of May 19, 2020

Chairperson Dennis Graf called the Annual Meeting of the Town of Meeme to order at 7:00 p. m. on May 19, 2020 at the Meeme Town Hall. Five (5) Town Residents, including six (6) Board Members, one (1) Shop Supervisor, and five (5) Fire Department Personnel signed in at the door.

Chairperson Dennis Graf introduced the Town officers: Supervisor #1: Robert Christian; Supervisor #2: Henry Langenhahn; Clerk: Grace Salm; Treasurer: Susan Kracht and Constable: Ian Quinn and members of the Cleveland, Ada, and St. Nazianz Fire Departments.

Pledge of Allegiance: Dennis Graf led The Pledge of Allegiance.

Reading of 2019 Minutes: Minutes of the Annual Meeting of April 16, 2019 were read by Clerk Grace Salm. A motion was made by Susan Kracht and seconded by Karen Graf to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Fire Departments: A motion was made by Robert Christian and seconded by Henry Langenhahn to move the Fire Departments higher on the agenda so the departments could make other annual meetings. Motion Carried.

- **Mike Kaufmann**, Fire Chief, St. Nazianz Fire Department, stated they had a total of 163 calls for 2019, 10 calls for Town of Meeme. In 2019 they received \$12,000 from the Ant Hill Mob and used the money to purchase a stand by generator and the remaining money would be used for the purchase of a Hurst battery operated Combi tool.

Mike Kaufman also reported on the following for the Medical First Responders responded to 124 calls, 128 patients, 82 medical calls, and 28 trauma calls.

- **Tony Meyer**, Fire Chief, Cleveland Fire Department, stated they had 30 EMS and 7 fire calls for 2019. The department purchased 2 new AED life packs, updated 2 air bags, sump pump, and 3 sets of turn-out gear.
- **Fred Meyer**, Fire Chief, ADA Fire Department, stated there were 28 calls in 2019. He introduced the new assistant fire chief, Scott Kafka. The department will be celebrating their 100th Anniversary Brat Fry in 2020.

Annual Financial Statement: Dennis Graf reported that the truck loan was paid off in February 2020. After discussion, a motion was made by Karen Graf and seconded by Richard Schwartz to approve the financial statement. Motion carried.

Short-Term Borrowing Authorization: After discussion a motion was made by Richard Salm and seconded by Karen Graf, to authorize the Town Board to execute short term borrowing for one year with a limit of \$50,000.00 to meet its 2020 - 12 months expenses. None opposed, motion carried.

Long Term Borrowing: No action on long term borrowing. Long term borrowing is required by state statute to hold a special elector meeting to execute long term borrowing at a later date.

Assessor's Report: Henry Langenhahn issued 28 building permits and one new house in 2019.

Constable's Report: Ian Quinn reported on the following: 2019 was a good year for the Town of Meeme. There were a few calls about animals at large, mostly dogs, a few cows, and 2 calls for a horse on River Fork Road which he has not found. We had a couple complaints about properties with junk which either got cleaned up or are in the process. During the winter, we cleaned up some dumped trash on Point Creek Rd. east of Marken. This year it happened again and this time they were smart enough to leave some mail with their name and address. A Deputy paid them a visit. Two citations were issued to residents. One for late dog license and another for dog at large. "I hope 2020 will be smooth sailing and I hope all residents will be safe and healthy during these times and hope when we can get back to normal soon."

Operation Report: Dennis Graf stated that he has ordered sand & salt for 2021. The sand and salt shed roof needs repair.

Bridges: No report.

Recycle Center: Dennis Graf reported that since Sadoff would no longer bring dumpsters to the recycle center, the Town Board purchased a new trailer for hauling metal recyclables at a cost of \$8,500.

Meeting Per Diem: After discussion, considering the impacts of Covid-19, a motion was made by Richard Schwartz and seconded by Richard Salm to maintain the current rate. Motion carried.

Valders Ambulance Service: Dennis Graf reported that Valders Ambulance Service will increase their service rate from \$21.00 to \$23.00 in 2021.

Elected verses Appointment of Clerk and Treasurer Position: Dennis Graf noted that the Clerk and Treasurer position will be appointed positions after this election term.

2020 Spring Election Costs and Compensation for Clerk: The Clerk had an additional 243 hours that were spent on the April 7, 2020 Spring Election due to the Covid-19 Crisis, election mandates, and additional absentee ballot processing. A motion was made by Robert Christian and seconded by Henry Langenhahn to approve additional reimbursement payment of \$2,400.00 to the Town Clerk. Motion carried.

County Board Representative Report: No representation.

Dates: Dennis Graf reviewed the following dates for Open Book – May 28, 2020 (2-4 pm). Due to the Covid-19 Crisis, Open Book will be conducted by phone or email with Les Ahrens at (262) 253-1142. BOR is June 22, 2020 from 5-7 pm.

Set Next Meeting Date: The next 2020 Annual Meeting on the 3rd Tuesday, April 20, 2021.

Due to the Covid-19 Crisis there were no refreshments and/or luncheon served this year.

Adjourn: A motion was made by Richard Schwartz and seconded by Karen Graf to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Grace M. Salm, Clerk