

DRAFT - TO BE APPROVED AT 2016 ANNUAL MTG

TOWN OF CRESCENT MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2015 7:00 P.M., CRESCENT TOWN HALL

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman William Treder called the Annual Town Meeting to Order at 7:01 p.m. Roll Call was taken. Other town officials in attendance were:

Adrian J. Turgeon, Sr., Supervisor II
Carla Fletcher, Treasurer

Joel Knutson, Supervisor I
Tracy Hartman, Clerk

It was determined that the meeting was properly posted and published according to law, and that there was a quorum.

Roll Call was taken by Tracy Hartman, Clerk

READING OF MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING HELD APRIL 15, 2014.

Motion was made by Harry Whidden to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the Annual Town Meeting held April 15, 2014. Seconded by Janet Appling. Vote was taken. Aye 32, Nay – 0, Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Financial report was presented and electors were asked if there were any questions. No questions were raised.

Motion was made by Robb Jensen to accept the Annual Financial Report. Seconded by Joel Knutson. Vote was taken. Aye -32, Nay – 0, Motion carried

ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT LAWFULLY COMES BEFORE THE BOARD

Mark Patulski made an advisory motion that the road crew starts plowing earlier in the day so that people working, school buses, etc. can drive safely. Patulski also stated that there are a number of signs down in the town right now that need to be fixed. Patulski also stated that the ditches need to be cleaned out this time of the year. Seconded by Tim Felbab.

Comments: Tim Felbab stated that plowing half of the roads and stopping is inexcusable. Dan Butkus requested that the motion be rephrased to make more sense.

Mark Patulski made an advisory motion to start plowing when the snow ends. Seconded by Tim Felbab.
Comments: Steve Richardson stated that not all of the roads can be plowed immediately. Mitch Ives asked if this is an advisory motion. Adrian Turgeon stated that the road crew is out as early as possible plowing the roads, however, they can not all be plowed immediately. Steve Richardson, asked if bus routes are a priority. Mike Bess stated that the road that is of concern is the last on the route. Bess stated that he has to start his route at Crescent School and based on where Felbab's road is it is last on the route. Jeff Kuzmarski stated that he agrees with Patulski the roads need to be done in order not skipping around the town. Kuzmarski also stated that there should be snow fences put up on the fields.
Vote was taken. Aye 8, Nay 16. Motion fails.

Mark Patulski made an advisory motion that the road crew stop scraping the roads at 7:00 in the morning when they are frozen. Seconded by Kuzmarski. Aye 10, Nay 19. Motion fails.
Turgeon stated that the road crew has been doing a good of getting the ruts off the road.

Mark Patulski made an advisory motion to clean the ditches out so that the mower is not wrecked. Seconded by Janet Appling. Joan Jensen stated that is common sense. Denis Southworth asked what the process was for cleaning out the ditches prior to mowing. Mike Bess stated that as he was mowing last year he was cleaning the ditches. Janet Appling asked Bess if as he is out checking the roads does he remove the trees that are down. Bess stated that as he traveling roads if he sees a tree he removes it. Joel Flory asked what the rational was for getting every tree off the road and back to the shop. Bess stated that they burn the wood at the shop to save on heating costs. Steve Brich asked if we have a system protocol for the drivers on the maintenance of roads.
Vote was taken. Aye 21, Nay 0. Motion carried.

Steve Brich made a motion that the town board put together an advisory committee of residents that could create protocol for the road crew to follow regarding the roads and their maintenance (removal of trees, cleaning out the ditches) and make the protocols available to residents. Seconded by Mark Patulski.
Jeff Kuzmarski stated that when he was on the board there was a written list of protocol and it worked really well.
Vote taken. Aye 36. Nay 0. Motion carried.

Harry Whidden made a motion that residents can take trash that they collect from the ditches to the town shop to be disposed. Seconded by Patulski.

Pat Klunder stated that there should be a set time that it is available and the dumpster should be locked.

Whidden amended his motion to state that debris picked up in the ditches will be left along side of the road to be picked up by the road crew. Seconded by Patulski.

Knutson stated that his concern would be that the road crew would not be able to stay on top of it and there should be a set time that it can happen. Ken Schnoor stated that it would be nice if the roads could only be cleaned once a year, however, the ditches need to be cleaned all year. Joan Jensen stated that she agreed with Knutson there needs to be a set time because otherwise how will you be able to differentiate

what is someone cleaning the garbage and what is someone just tossing their garbage on the road. Knutson stated that the policy is already that the road crew tries to pick up garbage that is left on the side of the road. They will continue to do that. Steve Brich stated that he prefers that once the garbage is accumulated the resident would contact the road crew to let them know that there is garbage. Patulski stated that Carla Fletcher already does this and the road crew picks up the garbage when they get to the road. Joan Jensen stated that it makes sense to let the road crew know there is garbage and where so that it can be picked up.

Vote Taken. Aye 32. Nay 1. Motion carried.

Jeff Kuzmarski stated that with the road protocol there needs to be consequences for the drivers when they continually plow someones driveway closed.

ADJOURN

Motion was made by Robb Jensen to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting. Seconded by Harry Whidden.

Vote was taken. Aye 33, Nay – 1 Motion carried.

The Annual Town Meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Submitted by,

Tracy Hartman
Town Clerk