March 9, 2021

Annual Meeting

Marion Township

The annual meeting of Marion Township was called to order by Clerk Janet Hoffmann at 8:15pm. There were 14 in attendance. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Clerk called for nominations for the Moderator and Al Wussow nominated Ed Scherr and Roger Bjerke seconded. There being no other nominations Mr. Scherr became the moderator.

The agenda was read and approved.

The clerk read the minutes of the 2020 annual meeting. M/M/S by Wussow/ Art Friedrich to approve the minutes. Carried. The clerk read the board of audit report from the February 9, 2021 meeting and M/M/S by Jim Baier/Maureen Newell to approve the report. Carried.

Treasurer Raduenz read the treasurers report for the year 2021. M/M/S by Al Wussow/Bjerke to approve the report. Carried.

Joel Messmer read the Supervisor’s road report for year 2021. A copy of this report is included with the minutes.

Gopher Bounty: M/M/S by Friedrich/Bjerke to leave the bounty at $3 per pocket gopher and streakies at 1.50. Carried.

M/M/S by Baier/Rose Conway to set the next annual meeting for March 8, 2022 at 8:15pm at the town hall. Carried.

Paula Knoll from Eyota Ambulance gave a brief report on activity in Marion Township.

Jeff Broberg gave an educational event on Pollution of Surface Water and Waterways. The township completed outfall inspections of our 36 outfalls and all were found to be compliant with a few tweaks of removal of brush and/or debris which has been corrected. A 35 page permit was filed and mapping done. He included discussion on Residential best management plans, yard waste, pet waste, chemicals, including use of salt for snow and ice control. He even recommended that neighborhoods clean up their ditches as good practice. Touched briefly on rock salt versus brine salt. Annual training will be done soon. The report is due again on April 15. Broberg stated Marion Township has done a good job this year.

The following levy was set:

* Fire Fund- M/M/S by Friedrich/Al Wussow to set the levy at $207,906.00 Carried
* General Fund – M/M/S by Wussow/Friedrich to set the levy at $75,000.00. Carried
* R&B Fund – M/M/S by Baier/Scherr to set the levy at $370,000.00. Carried
* Cemetery Fund – M/M/S by Wussow/Bjerke to set the levy at $3000.00 Carried
* Eyota Ambulance Fund - M/M/S by Friedrich/Messmer to set the levy at $7,610.00. Carried.
* Stormwater (MS4 permit) Fund – M/M/S by Wussow/Newell to set the levy at $30,000.00 - carried

Old business. None

New Business – Andy Hoium asked about motion to look at a 1% tax increase for 2022. Therefore, Hoium made a motion to reopen the discussion on the R&B Fund levy and Friedrich seconded the motion. Following discussion and a call for a vote, the motion failed.

Election results were announced – 49 residents voted

* Supervisor Joel Messmer – 48 votes
* Treasurer – Debra Raduenz – 48 votes
* The Ballot Board met and canvassed the results and declared Supervisor, Joel Messmer and Treasurer Debra Raduenz as the winners

M/M/S by Friedrich/Wussow to adjourn at 9:5 pm.

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