**ANNUAL MEETING**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2022**

Chairman Blaine Lee opened the Annual Meeting on Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance followed. The following people were in attendance: Blaine Lee, Paul Degenhardt, Katie Reding and Sara Schultz. Supervisor Kevin Hoyer was excused. Lee moved to approve the minutes from the 2021 annual meeting and Degenhardt seconded the motion and it passed.

The next annual meeting will be held on the third Tuesday in April, 2023, which will be April 18th. The financial reports were presented to those in attendance. Lee motioned to approve while Degenhardt seconded. Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

* Bryant Klos (certified municipality lawyer with Hale Skemp) was hired as our new town attorney. In 2021, he performed the quit claim deeds and legal descriptions for our new facility.
* The Town of Hamilton Comprehensive Planning Committee (Blaine Lee, Steve Knutson, Dixie Fladhammer, Dean Olson, Chris Brueggeman) and Bob Gollnik from Mississippi River Regional Planning Commission met several times throughout the year to discuss and establish the Town of Hamilton Comprehensive Plan 2021-2040. There were not a lot of changes made but property on Old Highway 16 was opened up for possible resident use and another property on Buol Road was opened up for possible commercial use under the land use plan.
* In November, 2021, we took out a loan in the amount of $3,000,000 with Union State Bank with a 2.8% interest rate for 20 years. The loan payment will be $194,557.82 per year. A public hearing was held and a resolution by the electors was approved to exceed the state allowable town tax levy before adjustments by 35% ($62.67 per $100,000).
* We hired a new road crew worker – Jason Pralle after Reid Carrie resigned from his position in August. Lee hired a new recycling center attendant (Ronda Bond) to start in a few weeks.
* An ordinance was approved for speed limit changes on Linse Road in the Shorewood Addition in February, 2022. Also, stop signs were added to the intersections of Linse Road, Shorewood Court and Shorewood Circle which made it into a 4 way stop.
* A referendum was passed by the voters and a resolution was approved for the appointment of the clerk and treasurer for a one year term.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

* We will be opening the bids for the new town hall facility on May 10th at 10:00 a.m. and will be reviewing them later that day at 7:00 p.m. at a special board meeting.
* A new part time snowplow driver will be needed for next Winter since Dave Novak has resigned.
* Our 1-ton truck needs repair and we are looking at purchasing a new 2022 Ram 4500 crew cab from Pischke Motors for $47,900. We have found a bed at Michael’s Truck Equipment in the amount of $14,951. We took bids for both of these items.
* Wages were reviewed for the clerk and treasurer and they were appointed for a term of 2 years (April, 2022 – March 2024). The clerk will be receiving a $3,000 increase and the treasurer will get $500 more annually.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m. by motions made by Lee and Degenhardt.

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Sara Schultz, Town Clerk