TOWN OF OCONTO FALLS MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING APRIL 20, 2021, 7 P.M. – TOWN HALL

Chairman: Dave Alsteen

Supervisors: Vic Peterson, Mike Kaczmarek

Treasurer: Sue Konitzer Clerk: Susan Mogged

Present: Angie & Patrick Ahlgrihm, Mary Renel, Tim O'Harrow, Virgie Damp, Bob Aprill, Pat

Spillane, Tim Magnin

1. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Chairman Dave Alsteen.

- 2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. All officers were present.
- 3. Clerk Susan Mogged read the minutes of the 2020 Annual Meeting. Mike moved to approve the minutes as read; Vic seconded; motion carried.
- 4. Treasurer Sue Konitzer presented the financial report for 2020. Copies were available for the public. Tim O'Harrow moved to approve, Virgie Damp seconded, motion carried.
- 5. Oconto Falls Area Joint Ambulance Service, Inc. made a presentation concerning the transition of the ambulance service from volunteer to critical care paramedic, full time manned. According to state statute, ambulance increase needs must be funded through budgeted money. A lot of public discussion was held on financing. Attendees were unanimous in their support for this project. The town will do investigation into funding the increase through the budget.
- 6. Tim Magnin, city of Oconto Falls Fire Chief reported on the fire calls for 2020. Oconto Falls created a full time chief in August 2020 which is creating many changes in how the department will be doing business in the future. They are trying to increase training and decrease chain of command issues they have been struggling with for several years. They are also trying to create daytime training and meetings for the public and members to increase access. Of the 25 Town of Oconto Falls fire department calls last year, 15 were fire calls, 2 were lift assists and 8 others were public service/community issues, such as a gas leak, we were not charged for. The department conducted 475 fire inspections and had 15 fire drills. Their average response time, 7.7 minutes.
- 7. Grant money was received for 9/10 of a mile of Gray Lake Rd starting at Cty Rd CC. Duame Sand and Gravel was awarded the bid for construction only. The county will do the paving to follow. The complete date is July 31.
- 8. Our aging plow truck needs to be replaced. A spec sheet and request for bids was sent out and advertised. 3 bids were received, Mid State Truck Marshfield, UP International Trucks Iron Mountain, Packer City International Shawano. There was a lot of discussion on financing from the public. State funding is the best deal. The truck will be paid for through the tax levy. The fire tender was paid off in January, 2021 so this will take its place. Packer City had the low bid. Tim O'Harrow moved to approve, Patrick Ahlgrihm seconded; motion carried.

At 8:10 p.m. Virgie Damp moved to adjourn; Angie Ahlgrihm seconded; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Mogged, Clerk