

**Approved Minutes
Town of Durand Regular Board Meeting
January 11th, 2022 at 6:00 pm**

Call to Order

By Chairman Stan Ridgeway at 6:02 pm

Roll Call

Chairman Stan Ridgeway, Supervisor I Mark Weiss, Supervisor II Penny Bauer, Clerk Brittany Myers, Treasurer Audrey Bauer all present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone stood together for the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of December 14th, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the December 14th, 2021 Regular Board Meeting were read. Motion made by Mark Weiss and seconded by Penny Bauer to approve minutes as presented. All in favor-3, opposed-0, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

The December Treasurer's report was presented to the Board by Treasurer Audrey Bauer. Balance on hand as of December 31st, 2021, was 445,675.11.

Payment of Vouchers

Vouchers presented to the Board for payment by Clerk Brittany Myers, totaled \$238,674.00. Motion made by Stan Ridgeway and seconded by Penny Bauer for Clerk Brittany Myers to pay vouchers. All in favor-3, opposed-0, motion carried.

Chairman's Report

Chairman Stan Ridgeway stated the Wayne property will be receiving a letter to remove the mobile home on their land as there has been no progress in months.

Public Comment

None

Update Address Signs

Chairman Stan Ridgeway is still waiting on a quote from the department of corrections regarding new address signs.

Cemetery Ordinance

Chairman Stan Ridgeway will write up a cemetery ordinance and present it at the next meeting.

Clerk Training

Clerk Brittany Myers will be taking an online QuickBooks class and learning more for the Town of Durand finances. Mark Weiss made a motion to reimburse Brittany Myers for the cost of the class and the book. The book will stay with the Town of Durand. Stan Ridgeway seconded the motion. All in favor-3, opposed-0, motion carried.

ATV/UTV Ordinance

Evan Mercer and Todd Loomis came to the board to ask for the Cedar Brook Estate roads to be legally open for ATV/UTV access. They also are looking to have the ATV/UTV ordinance changed in the Town of Durand to 24 hours a day, 12 months out of the year on all ATV/UTV routes/roads. Stan Ridgeway made a motion to rewrite the ordinance opening up the ATV/UTV trails 24hours a day, all year round. Also, opening up the Cedar Brook Estates roads for ATV/UTV access. These will be presented at next month's meetings for official approval and Mark Weiss seconded the motion. All in favor-2, opposed-1, motion carried.

Personal Property Tax Bill

Durand Smokehouse had a mistake made on their personal property taxes by their accountant and got charged \$3,900, instead of \$200. The Town of Durand did check with Eric the assessor, but the assessor said there is nothing that the Town of Durand is able to do. The business owner's accountant will have to work with the Department of Revenue on this issue.

Durand Rural Fire Department lease for ladder truck

Don Hartung wanted all the townships to have this on their agenda to officially have this in the minutes about the lease of the ladder truck. The ladder truck will be a 7-year lease at 2.7% interest rate. Rural Fire Association will pay 70% of the truck and the City will pay 30% that payment falls in line with the assessed value. The Rural will be placing \$335,000 down payment and the City will be reimbursing them to pay off their portion for the next 7 years. The total purchase of the ladder truck is 1.25 million. The yearly payments for the next 7 years will be \$72,833.31. Stan Ridgeway made a motion to approve the lease of the ladder truck along with the township of Durand will be signing off on the tax-exempt form to be able to get the government rates. This does not mean the town of Durand is financially responsible for anything. Penny Bauer seconded the motion. All in favor-3, opposed-0, motion carried.

Adjournment

The next board meeting will take place on February 15th, at 6:00 pm. Mark Weiss motioned to adjourn, and Penny Bauer seconded. All in favor-3, opposed-0, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:14pm.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Brittany Myers, Clerk