

## **TOWN OF WELLS MINUTES FOR JULY 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2024**

The board for the Town of Wells held their monthly board meeting on Thursday, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The meeting had been rescheduled from the original date of July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The meeting was called to order by Chairman James Wells at 6:15 p.m. at the town hall. The meeting was properly posted and published. Supervisors Greg Schmitz and Jeff Schmitz were present as well as Treasurer Simon Wells and Clerk Diane Schwarz. The minutes were reviewed from the Board of Review and Regular meeting held on June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Greg Schmitz made a motion to approve the minutes as read for the Board of Review meeting. Jeff Schmitz seconded the motion. Motion carried. Jeff Schmitz made a motion to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held on the same day. Greg Schmitz seconded the motion. Motion carried. Simon Wells gave the treasurer's report. Jeff Schmitz made a motion to approve the report. Greg Schmitz seconded the motion. Motion carried. There was no public input.

There was discussion on whether to fill the LP tank with summer fill LP. At present there is a \$1,537.00 credit from the United Cooperative. It was decided that they will top off the tank at the summer fill price.

The matter of obtaining compensation for the person who sets up the website and maintains the website was discussed. From the onset of setting the website up and maintaining the website has been graciously gifted to the town by Tracy Lindley-Schendel. After some discussion it was agreed by the board that she should be compensated but that it should be budgeted in the 2025 budget as well as the increase in the wages of the board and the towns' officers but it would not be effective until the next term if passed during the budget hearing of the electors.

Updates on roads and equipment were discussed next on the agenda. The Ford Truck repair is almost complete. \* After some heavy rains during the past weeks there was some road damage. There was damage to the road near the bridge on Lamplighter Road. Jestin had some concrete poured into the hole that developed. It seems to be more stable now. The culvert near Arlyn Brooks on Janus Road needs to be replaced. It might be eligible for the 50% county share of bridge and culvert replacement project. An estimated cost for a 6' x 30' culvert is @ \$7,692.00. A 6'x30' squash culvert with an 8' wide center is @ \$8,328.00. Greg Schmitz made a motion for Jestin to order the squash culvert and will apply the cost with the County Bridge Project in 2025. Jestin was to arrange Brooks Excavation to help replace the present culvert with the squash culvert. Jeff Schmitz seconded the motion. Motion carried. \* There are varying sized culverts that will need to be replaced on Keyway Avenue. Greg Schmitz made a motion to arrange with Lepke to grind up the existing road along Keyway Avenue and then have Brooks Excavating to replace the culverts. The road will need to be rebuilt and graded and left until next year for resurfacing. Jeff Schmitz seconded the motion. Motion carried. \* Grading is needed along Jasmine Road. Patching and gravel will need to be added along Jancing Avenue. \* Gravel will need to be added along Lambeth Road and Jasper Road. \* Trees are down along Javelin Road and Jaybee Road from flooding. Jestin and Jaden Schmitz will be using a dump box to help clean up the flooded areas along the town roads. \* Gravel should be obtained from the Gerke Quarry for convenience using Tim Schendel's and Brooks Excavating dump trucks.

The Monroe County WTA meeting held at the Oasis in Sparta takes place on Thursday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024. There will be 3 attending the meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. Greg Schmitz made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jeff Schmitz seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.  
Diane Schwarz-Clerk-Town of Wells