Approved 2/24/2021

TOWN BOARD MEETING WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2021 6:00 P.M. FREEDOM TOWN HALL W2004 COUNTY RD S

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, PLEDGE

Town Board Meeting called to order by Chairman Charles Kramer at 6:00 p.m. Members present: Supv. Brandon Conrad, Supv. Kevin Schuh and Supv. Jason Vandenberg. Also present: Clerk/Treasurer Colleen Laha Silent prayer.

Pledge recited.

2. VERIFICATION OF POSTING AND APPROVE AGENDA

Posted on the 2 Boards at the Freedom Town Hall and on the Town website on the 9th day of February, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. by the Clerk's Office. Also posted at: Dairyland Depot, Freedom Mini Mart and Shop & Save Mart/ Halesi, LLC. *Motion by Supv. Brandon Conrad with second by Supv. Kevin Schuh to approve the agenda as posted.* 4 Yes 0 No Motion Carried.

3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON KABOTA TRACTOR

After a discussion of the cost of repairing the current tractor or purchasing a new tractor it was the consensus of the board to have Van Vreede check out the tractor.

4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON LIGHT AT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The cost to install a light on the existing pole would be \$200.00, and the monthly charge \$20.58, but only light the northern 30% of the lot. A wood pole with a Med LED oval fixture could be installed on the west side of the lot to better light the area. Installing a new wood pole, LED oval fixture and powering that light overhead would cost approximately \$1,900 the charge would be \$10.92. It was decided that the clerk would contact an electrician to get a price on installing a pole with a dusk until dawn light for the parking lot.

5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON STREETLIGHT AT INTERSECTION OF SCHMIDT RD & COUNTY RD E

The cost to install a MED LED Oval fixture with a long 16' may be able to be installed on pole #57-34OR, the installation charge would be approximately \$1,800 to \$2,000 and the monthly charge \$15.61. Pole 57-34OR is fairly far off the edge of the road, but the 16' arm should light the intersection fairly well. The cost is higher on this job because the closest secondary is about 376' away and would need to be extended to

the light. The board discussed that the intersection itself is very dark, but the area by the new fire department is well lit. The streetlight was tabled until more development occurs.

6. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION & BORROWING RESOLUTION FOR STATE TRUST FUND LOAN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$325,000.00 AS APPROVED ON DECEMBER 28,2020 FOR FUNDING OF THE TEARDROP LANE PROJECT Motion by Supv. Brandon Conrad with second by Supv. Jason Vandenberg to approve Resolution 2021-01, Borrowing for State Trust Fund Loan in the amount of \$325,000.00 as approved on December 28, 2020 for funding of the Teardrop Lane Project. Vote: 4 Yes 0 No Motion Carried.

7. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON BIDS FOR TIRES, TRUCK AND REFRIGERATOR - ATTACHED

After a discussion about the truck and refrigerator it was the consensus of the town board to keep the truck and refrigerator.

Motion by Supv. Brandon Conrad with second by Supv. Kevin Schuh to accept the bid of \$10.00 for the tires. Vote: 4 Yes 0 No Motion Carried.

8. DISCUSSION ON BIDS FOR ROAD PROJECTS - ATTACHED

\$600,000.00 is in the budget for road projects. The Town will coordinate the Bell Court/Elk Lane project with the sanitary district. Approximately a quarter of the cost of the Broadway Drive project will be shared with Town of Vandenbroek. Supv. Jason Vandenberg advised holding off with awarding the road bids until they know where the town is at with the cost of the lighting project for the VFW baseball diamonds. The road bids will be on the February 24th agenda.

9. CONSIDERATION OF VOUCHERS/DIRECT DEPOSITS

Motion by Supv. Brandon Conrad with second by Supv. Kevin Schuh to approve Vouchers #30979–31026, Direct Deposits #10043 – 10049
Fire Dept/EMS BLDG - #1021. Vote: 4 Yes 0 No Motion Carried.

10. ADJOURN

Motion by Supv. Jason Vandenberg with second by Supv Kevin Schuh to adjourn at 7:04 p.m. Vote: 4 Yes 0 No Motion Carried.