

TOWN OF KIANTONE-MEETING MINUTES

Town of Kiantone Monthly Meeting August 13, 2020

Due to the Covid-19/Coronavirus situation and mandated social distancing and group sizes this meeting was held in person observing social distancing and group size.

Presiding: Joshua Ostrander, Supervisor

Present:

Valerie McDonald, Councilwoman
Kurt Sturzenbecker, Councilman
Tim Kolstee, Councilman
Rich Landman, Councilman

Also Present: Kate Valvo, Bookkeeper, Gail Davis, Town Clerk Robert Carlson, Highway Superintendent, Paul Webb, Town Counsel.

Supervisor Ostrander opened the meeting at 7:06pm with the recital of the Pledge to the Flag. Legal Notice read.

MINUTES & REPORTS:

- July Board Minutes; Motion Made by Councilwoman McDonald, to accept the minutes Seconded by Councilman Rich Landman, No Opposition, Approved
- Bills & Bills Paid After Audit; Motion Made by Councilman Sturzenbecker, Seconded by Councilman Kolstee, No Opposition, Approved

MONTHLY REPORTS:

- Court Reports: Previously emailed: Reviewed and accepted
- CEO Eddy: No permits granted in July
- Clerk's Report of Monies Received and Distributed, provided via email; Reviewed and Accepted
- Assessors Reports, Reviewed and accepted with note of new Assessor Lisa Volpe.

COMMITTEES: No Discussion

FIRE DEPT. UPDATE: Update of answered calls provided, possible exposure of responders to COVID-19 with no illnesses reported after "self-monitoring". Training is taking place for use of new truck.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Municipal Water (BPU) update, Supervisor Ostrander provided via email his notes regarding “Metro 7” discussions taken place at City of Jamestown, Notes attached to minutes. Discussion regarding municipal water district. Town Clerk Davis to locate files containing previous research etc. and make available. Councilman Kolstee expressed his concern of the Town “hopping” on HUD grants with the City which require a population of 50,000 or more stating a federal law in which the surrounding municipalities surrender their rights to the larger municipality as to what can be built in their community. Further research would need to be completed before Kiantone would make any decision in regards to applying for grants in conjunction with the City of Jamestown or neighboring municipalities.
- Solar: Further discussion regarding Solar Energy Supervisor Ostrander had been contacted directly by a Solar Company Representative inquiring as to the Town’s codes, etc. with Supervisor Ostrander garnering much information as well as to the operation of solar farms, the board may invite company rep. in for informational discussion at a later date.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Discussion regarding the County owned ambulance and the Counties desire to participate in the business of emergency response, letter received requesting local municipality support by return of signed letter, matter tabled until further information can be obtained. Fire Chief Steve Reale was very informative in the discussion.
- Community Building Sign: Highway Dept. removed current sign with intention of giving it a “facelift”, however, the wood is “rotten” therefore alternative signage will need to be sought. Highway Superintendent Carlson provided one quote provided by 360 Graphics and a sign plan with not quote attached by another local business. Further research to be done.

Reminder of Budget Workshop was voiced.

With no other business to come before the Board, Motion was made by Supervisor Ostrander to Adjourn, Seconded by Councilman Sturzenbecker. No Opposition, Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Davis, Town Clerk

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