

The regular monthly meeting of the Town board of the Town of French Creek was held on Monday May 9, 2022 at the Town Highway building.

Present were: David White, superintendent, Debbra Albright, Town Clerk, Brian Malecki, Highway Sup. And Jeff Messenger, Code officer.

Board Members: Paul Carey, Norvel Willink, Brynne Hindsdale and Wayne Emory.

The meeting was called to order at 7:25 pm. The minutes were read and approved as is. It was carried by Mr. White second by Mr. Willink and Mr. Emory, followed by 5 ayes.

Mr. Messenger didn't have any new items to report. There was no Justice report this month. The assessors Was read and it was noted that the Assessment value change reports were being mailed. The board of Assessment revues will meet on Thursday May 26, 2022 at her office in Findley Lake.

The Arpa (COVID) monies were moved from the General fund to the highway fund. That will show up in next month's report from the Supervisor. Mr. White commented that it didn't make sense to change the health insurance benefits at this time. Everyone agreed.

Mr. Malecki gave his report on the highway happenings. The original quote for the salt shed was never signed so the price has increased greatly. It is up \$45,000. From last year and the grant monies will not change so the full amount will fall to the town to pay. They discussed which funds to use for that extra money. Brian has 2 other options to look into for the building materials and may be able to save some money there. He will give a report on the options next month.

There will be an upcoming public hearing Monday May 16, 2022 at 11:00 am. At the town highway building. It is being held by the Chautauqua redevelopment Authority. A decommissioning plan was handed out for the board to look over for the Solor project and there is a concern that there won't be enough money to properly do that when it's time and it will end up costing the landowner. The board decided they would wait until after the hearing to decide on how to charge and write up special use permits. It was moved by Mr. Carey and second by Mr. Willink, followed by 5 ayes.

Mr. Malecki was asked about filling the position of Scott Reynolds when he retires. He feels it's time to advertise for the position. There will be new rules for a probation period. It will be for 3 months and the pay will be \$19.50 per hour until then. Mr. White made the motion to approve and it was second by Mr. Carey and followed by 5 ayes.

The bills were then presented for payment. The totals of \$1789.64 in the highway fund and \$4,617.29 in the General fund. Motioned to approve from Mr. White, second by Mr. Carey followed by Mr. Willink, then 5 ayes.

Mr. White moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:11 pm. It was second by Mr. Carey, 3rd by Mr. Willink followed by 5 ayes.