

Select Board Meeting
Appleton Town Office
October 12, 2021

ATTENDEES: Lorie Costigan Chair, Scott Esancy, Marci Blakely.

MEETINGS ARE RECORDED

CONVENE

APPROVE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 5, 2021 Motion to approve minutes Blakely, second Costigan. Unanimous vote of approval.

PUBLIC COMMENT None

WARRANT Warrant #27 Town of Appleton first installment of snow plowing contract \$35,508.71

ROAD COMMISSIONER

PAVING UPDATE & CONTINGENCY Per contact made with pavers last week, now scheduled for Monday of next week for paving to begin. Weather looks to hold out for the project. Barring unforeseen issues, project should be complete by Wednesday. This delay is not a reflection on the company, the weather over the summer caused delay for the business. There is a contingency plan to ensure the open areas will get paved in, requested to be supplied in writing. Waiting on equipment list and registrations will be verified November 1, 2021. Will be grading into next week at a variety of locations. Has been adding a load of gravel when grading as needed. Erosion on both sides of Sleepy Hollow, will be getting asphalt to fill voids and fix erosion on the sides. Will take care of that probably Friday. Significant erosion on one side due to narrowness of road and vehicles meeting and moving over to the side of the roadway. Will address in a project this fall. Will prepare purchase orders for that and another project on Old County Road washout. Will bush hog a section of road that is in need on the Ames addition.

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ARPA AWARD Town receiving \$444,000 disbursement and discussion for projects within the federal parameters of the award will commence.

CEMETERY & TOWN LOT MOWING BENCHMARK DISCUSSION Received a complaint last week regarding the cemetery lack of mowing and town park area. Both contractors had been contacted and as expected, the heavy rainfall had put them behind. Driftwood came to do the park as well as cemetery mowing has been done. There are areas requiring weed whacking. Suggestion to connect with other towns with regard to how cemeteries are handled. Blakely will reach out to surrounding towns for input. Esancy will assist as well.

OTHER Esancy suggests a community clean-up day at the cemetery on November 7th at 1 PM. Will mark in advance. Jake Boyington volunteered to bring a small excavator to work. Portable chipper will be on site. Copies of waivers for volunteers to sign. Discussion regarding identifying a location for town brush and debris to be discarded.

Esancy contacted pest control people (regarding problematic beaver dams in the area), Neil Shuman recommended by Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, he is interested but unable to commit to a date. Maynard Stanley is available and interested. Has experience and focuses on relocation versus termination (however termination is preferred by Inland Fisheries and Wildlife as opposed to relocating the problem). Further clarification will be sought for insurance requirements. Esancy will contact MMA for further guidance.

Esancy, follow up regarding forestry plan. Was able to get more information, the last harvest was 2018 next is Collins and Pert lot 125-acre lot on the lower road. Was some discussion of

creating a stump dump along that area. That parcel will need to be harvested during the deep freeze of winter. Some work to mark trees has been done but would like to meet to go over the harvesting plan.

ADJOURN Motion to adjourn 7:04 Blakely, second Esancy. Unanimous vote of approval.