

APPROVED MINUTES TOWN OF MAPLE

TOWN BOARD MEETING

January 12, 2023

The Town Caucus for 2023 was brought to order at 6:30pm. 24 residents signed the registration sheet that was available. Gaye Erkel was asked to facilitate the Caucus. Nominations were requested for the position of Town Treasurer. A motion was made and seconded to nominate Tanya Colby. No other nominations were made. Nominations were then requested for the position of Town Clerk. Motions were made and seconded nominating Jennifer Jensen and Rachel Lintula. No other nominations were made. Nominations were then requested for the position of Town Supervisor. Gaye pointed out that up to 4 people could be nominated. Nominations for Allison Johnson, Dustin Soyring and Jon TePoel were made and seconded. No other nominations were made. Nominations were then requested for Town Chair. Nominations for Jon TePoel, Marty Laakso and Dustin Soyring were made and seconded. No other nominations were made. Because only two candidates can be on the April 4 ballot for a “vote for 1” contest, a secret vote was taken by those present. Dustin Soyring and Jon TePoel garnered the most votes. Ballot placement was decided by drawing and follows:

Clerk: 1) Jennifer Jensen 2) Rachel Lintula

Supervisor: 1) Dustin Soyring 2) Jon TePoel 3) Allison Johnson

Chair: 1) Jon TePoel 2) Dustin Soyring

Colton TePoel made a motion to adjourn the Caucus at 6:51, Jerry Soyring seconded. MC

The January Town Board meeting was brought to order by Town Chair Jon TePoel at 7pm. Also present were Supervisors Marty Laakso and Dustin Soyring, Treasurer Tanya Colby and Clerk David Grapentine as well as Town Foreman Roger Colby, Fire Chief Mike Lundeen, Plan Commission member Gaye Erkel and many other residents.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES/FINANCIAL REPORT:

Dustin made a motion to approve the December 8th meeting minutes, Jon seconded. MC.

Tanya presented the financial report as of 12/31/22. The reports were emailed to the Town Board prior to the meeting. Marty made a motion to accept the financial report as presented, Dustin seconded. MC

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Update on application for a loan to finance the purchase of our new brusher:

The loan was finally approved the end of December. Payment for the amount due for the brusher was included and will be forwarded to Lulich Implement.

2.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Renewal of the Joint Powers Agreement with the Douglas County 911 Emergency System:

Mike explained the purpose of the agreement which states that the MVFD will respond to incidents outside our community when paged by the Douglas County Communications Center. A motion was made and seconded to approve the agreement.

2. Report from DC Zoning on the number and kinds of permits issued in 2022:

The report was for informational purposes only. A total of 30 permits were issued in Maple in 2022.

COUNTY SUPERVISOR:

County Supervisor Scott Luostari was not present.

FOREMAN'S REPORT:

Roger said that he has been plowing and sanding the past month.

Equipment: A tie rod end was replaced on the pick-up at Copp's in Brule.

With all the snowplowing recently repairs were needed on the wings of the grader and dump truck.

Roger checked around for a back-up camera for the dump truck. The price quoted from Monroe was \$1,300-1,500. The price from WireWerks in Superior \$750 which includes the camera and installation and has a 2 year warranty. Marty made a motion to approve the purchase and take the money from our Equipment Fund. Jon seconded. MC

VFD:

The department responded to 11 calls the past month which consisted of 1 EMR and 2 MVAs in Maple, 3 alarms, 3 EMR calls in Poplar, a possible structure fire alarm in Lake Nebagamon and chimney fire alarm in Brule. There were been 116 dispatched calls in 2022.

Trucks and equipment seem to be in good working order.

Jon needed to sign the SAP/LOSA paperwork for 2022. This is the annual retirement contribution for Maple VFD members. 12 members qualified.

Nine EMRs are taking the refresher training in Brule. It must be renewed every 3 years.

Fire Inspections were completed for 2022 by Fire Inspection Services. There were a few outstanding violations. Most were either expired extinguisher inspections or la lack of required fire exit signs.

New members are always welcome. If interested please call Mike Lundeen at 715-815-0826 or talk to any fire department member..

TOWN PLAN COMMISSION:

The terms for Gaye and Allison Johnson will expire in April.

ADJOURNMENT: On motion by Jon and second by Dustin the meeting was adjourned at 7:34pm.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Wed. January 18, VFD training, 6:30pm, Fire hall

Wed. January 25-Fire Dept. training and monthly meeting. 6:30pm, Fire hall

Thurs. February 9- Town Board meeting 7pm, Community Center

Tues. February 21-Primary Election, Polls open 7am-8pm

Tues. April 4-Spring Election

Respectfully submitted,