REGULAR MEETING

February 21, 2004

The regular meeting of the Martinsburg Town Board was held on Wednesday February 21, 2024, at the Municipal Offices on Cemetery Road and called to order at 7:00 PM. Present were Supervisor Terrence Thisse; Councilman Brad Allen; Darren Jantzi; and Janusz Karelus; Highway Supervisor Tyler Jones; Town Clerk Deanna Doviak; Attorney Genevieve Fidler; CTHC Circuit Rider Christine Health. Legislator Josh Leviker; Gorden Yancey and Peter Jantzi. Absent Councilman Michael McGrath.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the January meeting were emailed to the board prior to the meeting. Councilman Karelus made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jantzi to approve the minutes as presented. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Bills-Abstract 02-2024

General:	Voucher #31-60	$14,880.55
Highway:	Voucher #17-29	$16,005.87
Glenfield Water:	Voucher #8- 16	$ 5,168.61
Glenfield Sewer:	Voucher #7-11	$ 5,009.40
Martinsburg Water #1:	Voucher #7-10	$ 718.75
Street Lighting:	Voucher #2-3	$ 278.68

Some discussion was held on the UniFirst bills and contract, this was tabled until we got more information from the lawyers. There was a correction to the general vouchers to add Voucher # 60 in with the February Vouchers to pay for Conference fees for Supervisor Thisse; Highway Supervisor Jones and Town Clerk Doviak. Councilman Jantzi made a motion, seconded by Councilman Karelus to approve the payment of bill as presented, with the correction all were in favor. Motion carried.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR- No Comments.

TOWN CLERK REPORT:

The Town Clerk report for January was presented. Councilman Jantzi made a motion, seconded by Councilman Karelus the January Town Clerk report as presented. All were in favor. Motion carried.

COOPERATIVE TUG HILL COMMISSION:

Christine Healt reported on the following:

- There was no meeting for the Tug Hill commission for February.
- There are several training workshops on their website.
- Red Flags for fraud workshop February 29th in Boonville at Municipal Bldg.

Councilman Allen made a motion to open the Public Hearing on the new Senior Tax-Exempt Law at 7:15 PM.
There being no questions on this, Supervisor Thisse held the Public Hearing Opened and went on with other business.

COUNTY LEGISLATOR:
Mr. Leviker reported on various subjects:

- The streetscape project going on in Glenfield with an informal meeting on February 28 starting at 4:30 PM
- Singing Waters opened with DOH approval.
- Verizon is looking to upgrade the cell towers.
- Broadband expansion to the county tower on gomer hill
- The highway garage is complete.
- Charging Stations at Glenfield School with grant money
- Zoning for sidewalks
- County wants to do little hamlets infrastructure.
- No changes to the exempt law

7:30 PM There being no comments, Councilman Jantzi made the motion, seconded by Councilman Karelus to close the Senior Tax-Exempt public hearing. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

HIGHWAY:

- Tyler met with Tim Hunt from the county to discuss the project that will begin in the spring in Glenfield. The meeting as stated above.
- Maple Ridge Wind Farm has asked for approval allowing a portion of Centerville Road and Flat Rock Road to be temporarily plowed. The reason for this request is to move a crane to and from the turbine in need of repair that is located on Centerville Road. Councilman Allen made a motion, Seconded by Councilman Jantzi to allow plowing, all were in favor, Motion Carried.
- Highway Superintendent Jones brought a proposal to the board about "The Transfer of Roads to the county". This would be transferring ownership of approximately 19.1 miles of Town highway to Lewis County. By doing this, it saves the town money as the county will pay the town to maintain the roads. Councilman Jantzi made a motion to accept the transfer of roads, seconded by Councilman Karelus. All in favor. Motion carried.
- Superintendent Jones also brought up that all signage of roads belongs to the county.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN JANTZI AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN KARELUS TO ADOPT AND UPDATE THE FOLLOWING LAW.

TOWN OF MARTINSBURG
LOCAL LAW NO 1 FOR 2024

A LOCAL LAW FOR PLOWING SEASONAL
AND MINIMUM MAINTENANCE ROADS

BE IT ENACTED by the Town Board of Martinsburg as follows:

Section 1. Finding and Purpose.

The Town Board of the Town of Martinsburg hereby finds that the use of seasonal and minimum maintenance in the Town for snowmobiling and/ or ATV trails has become an important part of the economy of the Town and provides recreational opportunities to many Town residents as well as others from outside the Town. To ensure adequate maintenance of such trails and consistency of maintenance, and to avoid damage to Town Roads, the Town Board finds it necessary to license the grooming of its roads for such trails. It is the purpose of this article to provide a method for doing so.

SECTION 2. USE RESTRICTIONS.

No person other than the Town of Martinsburg Highway personnel shall be allowed to plow, groom or in any manner maintain seasonal and / or minimum maintenance roads in the Town of Martinsburg without the specific written permission of the Town Board.

SECTION 3. PENALTIES FOR OFFENSES.

Any person plowing, grooming, or in any manner maintaining any seasonal/ minimum maintenance road in the Town of Martinsburg for any purpose without such permission shall be subject to a fine not to exceed $250.00 and / or imprisonment not to exceed 5 days, or both. Each day of activity shall be considered a separate violation. Such person will also be responsible for damage sustained to such roads.

The Town Board members voted upon roll call resulting as follows.

COUNCILMAN BRAD ALLEN	aye
COUNCILMAN DARREN JANTZI	aye
SUPERVISOR TERRENCE THISSE	aye
COUNCILMAN JANUJSZ KARELUS	aye
COUNCILMAN MICHAEL MCGRATH	ABSENT

The Law was thereupon declared passed.

GLENFIELD SEWER:

The user cost increase ranges from $140-$196 with two grants and 0% financing on hand.
Got a partial grant money
Corner stone will have X number of users to help with money
How long to pay back loan

MARTINSBURG WATER:

- The highway crew will fix the leak on rt. 26 still got to figure out where the pipes under the road are.
- Legislator Leviker brought up there is a company that does mapping for water pipes and

- The Alger Road Ext. Is tabled for now.
- Councilman Jantzi spoke on the Timber Management he spoke with a Jack Santamour. They would mark boundaries, as for logging it, they would let us know what they would take. Councilman Allen would like a second opinion. Councilman Jantzi will ask Mr. Santamour to our next meeting.

GLENFIELD WATER:

The DEC has approved everything with the water project, Barton and Loguidice will send out samples, everything is on track.

LED LIGHTS

Hope to do in March, the Pole on River Road is still broken from the last
windstorm Led lights to qualify for grant. Supervisor Thisse has more questions
Need 300 more points for clean emissions.
Need to vote on Energy Benchmarking Resolution Clean Energy

SOLAR LAW ZONING REVIEW:

Need to classify; limited to; lot coverage 100%; design 20 feet from borders; and height not to excess --- Councilman Allen will look into water hookups.

TOWN TAXES:

Revaluate Update is on point. How do you value your property?

3-G GROUND

Stan Spencer is working on upgrading the buildings ARPA Funds will be used Steve Hirschey has cleaned out all the hunted house, 3 functions plan to use the field.
Not sure about exterior lighting yet

SPECIAL EVENTS

March 30th is the Buck Run, after this year Martinsburg will be finished with this event, all events after this are all the county's responsibility.

NORTH CENERAL LITTLE LEGUE

Look for a contract for insurance.

TAX COLLECTOR

The job of Tax Collector is up for election to fill the appointed position that Mary Kelley holds.

COMPREHENSION PLAN:

Board Members will look them over and they will update our own plan.

Council Jantzi made a motion seconded by Councilman Allen @9:12 PM to go into executive session all were in favor, motion carried.

Councilman Allen made a motion seconded by Councilman Karelus to return to the regular meeting @ 9:24PM. All were in favor, motion carried.

There being no further business, Councilman Jantzi made a motion, Seconded by Councilman Allen to Adjourn the meeting @ 9:25PM all were in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deanna Doviak, Town Clerk