

Annual Town Meeting

March 9, 2021

The Annual Town Meeting, held in the Town of Camden in the County of Carver and State of Minnesota, at the Camden Town Hall on the 9th day of March 2021, was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Lisa Goede, Clerk.

A motion was made by Fred Meuleners, seconded by Gerald Goede to appoint Mike Meuleners as Moderator. Meuleners accepted. Motion carried.

The clerk read the meeting notice that was posted at the Town Hall in New Germany.

The clerk read the minutes of the March 10, 2020 Annual Meeting. A motion was made by Virgil Stender, seconded by Roger Sauerbrey to approve the Minutes as read. Motion carried.

Proposed 2022 fire contracts discussion -NYA Fire chief Steve Zumberg went over handout of calls, budget and future plans. To note, Carver County changed coding to better determine when fire & rescue are needed, resulting in less calls and redundancy. Also, are looking for a different rescue pickup for \$50,000 as a replacement due to an accident. Plato Assistant Fire Chief Jay Wood reported number of calls of 77-record year, plans for a new tender/tanker in 2022 for a cost not to exceed \$271,000. Also, noting great drive thru fish fry fund raiser. Stender stated no representation from New Germany Fire dept., as most Camden residents are covered by them. He also stated there are grants available to fire departments from Mcleod Cooperative.

Treasurer Denise Zellmann read the audited 2020 Financial Report, with an ending total balance of \$326,090.66. A motion made by Stender, seconded by F. Meuleners to approve the 2020 Financial Report as read. Motion carried.

Handout was available from Commissioner John Fahey on county updates, including Hwy. 212 road construction.

Road Report:

Handout was available for review. Supervisor Goede asked if there were any questions. Stender asked how 84th St & Crow River was holding up with rip wrap and fabric. Goede stated all was good so far. 86th & Vega & Crow River is worsening. Discussed possibility of closing that section and build new road straight through as was proposed by Carver county many years ago. Stender commented township should pursue with county engineer and commissioners. F. Meuleners mentioned a culvert under Yale Ave is heaving. Goede said township will inspect. Goede stated 40 residents were visited regarding snow plowing in road ROW, with letters sent to residents who could not be reached in person.

Levy Recommendation:

General Levy - \$50,000. Motion by Sauerbrey, seconded by Stender to approve levy as presented of \$50,000. Motion carried.
Road & Bridge - \$190,000 Motion by F. Meuleners, seconded by Stender to approve levy as presented of \$190,000. Motion carried.
Fire Fund - \$98,500. Motion by Sauerbrey, seconded by F. Meuleners to approve levy as presented of \$98,500. Motion carried.

A motion was made F. Meuleners, seconded by Stender to recommend the following papers for the publishing of legal notices: The Waconia Patriot, News and Times and the Herald Journal. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Stender, seconded by F. Meuleners to hold the 2022 Annual meeting on the 2nd Tuesday in March (March 8th) at 7:30 P.M. at the Township Shed. Motion carried.

Open discussion: David Zellmann stated the township received \$24,125 in CARES Act funding from the state and purchased pagers for the fire departments. Clerk Goede passed on the county has Covid vaccines available by appt for residents 65+ on March 10, 2021. Sauerbrey commented on the 2020 election that Camden township was randomly chosen for a recount for audit purposes, and all matched 100%. It was asked why red rock was used on cartways. Goede explained it lasts longer and more cost effective on these minimally traveled roads.

There being no further discussion or business, a motion was made by Stender, seconded by Sauerbrey to adjourn at 8:22 P.M. Motion carried.

Mike Meuleners
Moderator

3-15-2021

