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MINUTES TOWN BOARD MEETING: November 28, 2022

1. **Call to Order:** Mr Christensen called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call to Establish a Quorum:** Jim Swenson, Brian Cooper, Tom Christensen, Ted Ritter and Kalisa Mortag along with Jeanna Vogel town treasurer and June Vogel town clerk are in Community Center in room 4 with 8 community members. There were 2 community members attending via Zoom.us.
4. **Open Meeting Verification:** Mr Christensen noted that he had posted the meeting agenda at three locations in town on Saturday, November 26, 2022 before 6:30 pm.
5. **Citizen's Comments – Citizens are encouraged to share their concerns and ideas with the Board. Please limit your comments to five minutes or less.**

Anne Small – It would be nice to have a light at Hwy 70 and Veteran's Way.

6. **Discussion /Action Items:**

- a. **Payment of Bills** Motion by Cooper to approve bills as presented including additional bills with the exception of checks 28481 and check 28485; second Mortag. Discussion: None. The motion passed by voice vote unanimously. Motion by Mortag to approve check 28481 and check 28485 as presented; second Swenson. Discussion: None. The motion passed by voice vote with three votes in the affirmative and two abstentions by Cooper and Ritter.
- b. **Approval of past meeting minutes** Motion by Swenson to approve November 14, 2022 as presented; second Cooper. Discussion: None. The motion passed by voice vote unanimously.
- c. **Annual Town Newsletter** Discussion by board. Motion by Mortag to approve annual town newsletter as presented; second Cooper. Discussion: Nice job. The motion passed by voice vote unanimously.
- d. **2023 Golf Course Budget** Discussion by board. Motion by Ritter to approve the golf course budget as presented; second Swenson. Discussion: None. The motion passed by voice vote unanimously.
- e. **Town roads to be used as snowmobile routes.** Discussion by board. Motion by Christensen to approve town roads for snowmobile routes for both BoBoen Snowmobile Club and Barnstormers Snowmobile Club; second Mortag. Discussion: None. The motion passed by voice vote unanimously.
- f. **Forestry Stewardship Plan** Discussion by board. Nonmotorized committee took on the Forestry Stewardship Plan for Awassa and Fern Ridge properties. Objective is to manage for public recreational opportunities, while maintaining a healthy forest for wildlife habitat and ecological purposes. Achieve protection of new growth from deer browsing to promote regeneration of hardwoods. Would have to create exclusion zones via fencing to allow these trees to grow. Forestry is a long-term proposition, town board should refer back to this plan periodically and amend as appropriate. Potential of two different distinct management plans; golf course and Awassa/Fern Ridge. Margo and Gary to review and to discuss an arborist plan for golf course. Create resolution in chapter 29 for town forestry plan re: lumber sales. Motion by Christensen to table until January 9, 2023; second Cooper. Discussion none. The motion passed by voice vote unanimously.
- g. **Assignment of a Town Board Member to oversee the Road Maintenance Program** Electors approved levy increase and chapter 29 has been updated. Record to reflect that Christensen will be the board member to oversee the Road Maintenance Program.
- h. **Revised Credit Card Use Agreement and Chapter 29 provisions concerning Town credit card** Discussion by the board. Motion by Mortag to approve agreement and Chapter 29 changes as discussed; second Cooper. Discussion: None. The motion passed by voice vote unanimously.

7. **Adjourn** Mr Christensen adjourned the meeting at 7:52 pm

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Town Clerk

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Chairman

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Supervisor

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