

April 10, 2024

A regular meeting of the Madrid Town Board was called to order at 6:30 PM in the town office.

Members Present: Tony Cooper, Kevin Finnegan, Emily Losey, Garry Wells, Bill Barkley-Hwy Supt., Zoe Hawkins-Town Clerk.

Absent: David Fisher.

Also Present: Jeff Gilson, Kai Simonson, Cyn French, Alisha (?), Wyatt Boswell, Allen Boswell, Grace Barton, Aleah Losey, Hunter Bowman, Zoey French.

Public Comment: LF Energy gave the town a check for \$20,000 for the building permit. The town can either accept this check or can agree to a host agreement which will have more flexibility. If the town chooses to go with the host agreement a check cannot be cashed until the project is up and running. The host agreement can also be used for not only the town, but emergency services will also benefit. Kevin asked if 20,000 is enough to cover infrastructure repairs, Alysha stated they have never had a town ask for that large of an amount. Kevin thinks the town should have legal direction from the town attorney for direction on this project. LF energy claims the town is withholding the building permit, Jeff said the other permits from the state and county had to be given before the town could give theirs. Alysha said they had received the proper permits. Jeff asked what the best access road for the project is going to be for emergency services and believes there should be signs posted. LF Energy is going to be visiting the fire dept. in June or July and will be having a training in October. Emily Losey made a motion to accept the host agreement giving the town \$15,000 and emergency services \$5,000. Garry Wells 2nd, all in Favor.

Monthly Report: The board reviewed the monthly report, Kevin Finnegan made a motion 2nd by Emily Losey to acknowledge receipt of the monthly report. All in favor.

Monthly Bills: The board reviewed the monthly bills, General 85-115 in the amount of \$35,262.35, Highway 39-49 for \$13,257.59, Water 22-30 for \$2,372.98, Sewer 24-30 for \$4,482.17, Lighting #4 for \$1,677.52, and Trust and Agency # 4 for \$5,542.41. Emily Losey made a motion to pay the bills, 2nd by Kevin Finnegan. All in Favor.

Communication: NYS Ag and Markets DCO report for Mike Gilbo was rated satisfactory; Dan Moyer Non-Satisfactory.

Highway: The sidewalks are 90% complete. \$12,919.79 to be submitted to the county for reimbursement. Quote from AOEC LLC to do in the remaining 425 feet of sidewalk to finish up to Millers Market is \$10,000 for labor.

The bus stop is completed.

Bill has priced new zero turns, John Deere is 17,000, Kubota is 18,000, Wyatt mentioned an Xmark Brand mower, Bill is going to investigate them.

The sewer plant is running on 1 pump currently, a new unit is ordered and will be here in early June, the cost is \$6,500.00

Old Business: The tentative start date for the streetlights to be changed to LED is April 15th.

ATL did the final boring for the Caroline Street project, once data is in then final drawings will be done.

New Business: Kevin has suggested putting up a hitching post for the Amish downtown somewhere. Discussion as to where to place this followed.

There is a goose issue in the park still, Bill is going to renew the nuisance permit. There have been suggestions about putting a fence up along the water to try to keep them out.

The DEC told Bill that the drains in the shop need to have a holding tank put in place or tied to the town sewer. An oil/water separator also needs to be added. A tank will be approx. \$5,000.

Garry Wells made a motion, 2nd by Kevin Finnegan to approve the minutes of the March 13th, 2024 board meeting. All in favor.

The next regular meeting will be held on May 8th, 2024 at 6:30 PM.

Kevin Finnegan made a motion to adjourn at 7:55 PM. All in Favor.

Zoe Hawkins, Town Clerk