

May 12, 2021 Board Minutes

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A regular meeting of the Madrid Town Board was called to order was called to order at 6:30 P.M. in the Town Office.

Members present: Tony Cooper, Garry Wells, Kevin Finnegan, Bill Barkley- Highway Supt. Zoe Hawkins- Town Clerk. Absent: Alex Smith, and David Fisher. Also Present: Colin Nicol, Anna Campbell, Sammi Ibey.

Public Comment: Sammi Ibey is helping with baseball at the park this year, and was wondering how to go about getting reimbursed for stuff she has bought. The board told her that she will need to submit her receipts to be reviewed for approval at the next board meeting. Sammi was also wanting to buy trophies for the kids, and stated she did a fundraiser, and raised the money to pay for most, if not all of the total amount they will cost.

The code enforcement officer gave an update, and said that he has issued 15 building permits so far this this year.

The assessor reported that, Last month she was busy preparing for the roll of upcoming grievance, for the next month, she is going to be taking calls on taxpayers with questions on their assessments. While tax payers can make an appointment with her anytime, this month she is required to advertise additional days of availability by the state. Change notices have been mailed out. Grievance day is Thursday, May 27, between 4 and 8 PM.

MDMS: Anna reported that they will be setting up a “drive in movie style” parking for the audience, and have been given the go ahead to proceed from the Department of Health. Anna will be dropping off the COVID contact information to be put on file in the town offices. Anna said that the MDMS was approved for the full grant amount they had applied for. Fundraising has also begun, and there are yard signs printed for donors.

The board reviewed the monthly report. Kevin Finnegan made a motion, second by Garry Wells to acknowledge receipt of the monthly report. All were in favor.

The board reviewed the monthly bills, General # 101-103 in the amount of \$ 12,032.68, Highway# 73-87 for \$33,369.34, Water #26-32 for \$1,238.72, Sewer #30-34 for \$268.75, Lighting #5 for \$1,368.10, and Trust and Agency #5 for \$5,208.50. Kevin Finnegan made a motion, second by Garry Wells to pay the bills. All were in favor.

Communications: Ruth Doyle sent an email, with terms in which the Coronavirus State, and Local Fiscal Recovery funds can be used for. This includes, economic impact

due to covid, replace lost public sector revenue, provide premium pay for essential workers, and invest in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure.

Atlantic Energy will now be the towns Energy Supplier. The bill will still be received from and paid to National Grid.

Highway Report: Bill is looking into getting Crowned Vetch as a ground cover for the stone wall by the bridge. It is low maintenance, and will help keep the weeds down.

The new Kubota mower has arrived, and there is no word on the payload.

NCC is coming on May 14th to do an inspection on fire alarms, and signal system at the Town Barns.

The board asked Bill to build more benches for the playground, and clean up the ground where the old bandstand was.

Bill is looking into getting part time summer help from the county.

Old Business: Anna is going to meet with Amy Moulton about moving money into the MDMS account for the book program they assisted with last year.

The old band stand has been completely removed.

Tony met with NYPA about the LED light contract, and is awaiting a response from National grid. The town is hoping to have new lights by the end of 2021.

New Business: Flowers have been planted at the Town sign.

Ruth Doyle is going to be contacted, to see what is considered infrastructure, and if the Fiscal funds can be spent on equipment.

Garry Wells made a motion, second by Kevin Finnegan to approve the minutes for the April 14th, 2021 minutes.

The next regular meeting will be on Wednesday, June 9th, 2021 at 6:30 P.M.

Kevin Finnegan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 P.M.

Zoe Hawkins, Town Clerk