TOWN OF ERIN PRAIRIE **BOARD MEETING MINUTES** MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2023

The December Board Meeting was called to order on Monday, December 18, 2023 at 6:00p.m. by Chairman John Van Dyk at the Erin Prairie Town Hall. Present were Board Members John Van Dyk. Mike Monteith, and Dennis Mitchell.

A motion was made by Mike to accept the agenda as presented. Dennis seconded the motion which passed by affirmative vote.

Dennis moved to approve the November meeting minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Mike and passed unanimously.

It was reported there is \$130,229.72 available in our checking and Money Market accounts. If all the current bills are paid tonight there will be \$113,072.47 remaining. Dennis moved to approve the treasurer's report as presented. The motion was seconded by Mike and passed by affirmative vote.

The bills were presented. Darel Hall had submitted a bill for picking up a stray cat that someone had called him about. The decision was made to not send the bill to the individual that called it in. The owner of the cat was not found and the board agreed the person that called it in should not be responsible for this cat call.

Other bills included St. Croix Electric, United Fire 2024 assessment, Wisconsin Municipal Clerk's Association annual membership bill, the St. Croix County Highway bills, and John's bills for meetings and mileage. The New Richmond Ambulance 2024 assessment bill was also received. In the past this ambulance assessment bill has been paid in January of the year it is billed for. This 2024 assessment was approved to be paid the beginning of January 2024. A motion was made by Mike to pay the bills as presented. Dennis seconded the motion which passed by affirmative vote.

The list of election officials to serve for 2024 -2025 elections was presented. The democratic party submitted one name and the Republican Party submitted two names. The remaining election officials listed are unaffiliated and have worked in previous elections. A motion was made by Mike and seconded by Dennis to approve the list of election officials as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

John mentioned that he attended a meeting of the St. Croix County Town Road Improvement Committee to decide the distribution of \$195,332.71 between the townships that had applied for the Local Road Improvement Project (LRIP) funding. Nine municipalities had submitted requests for funding. The decision was made to distribute the funds based on the length of the project. As a result Erin Prairie will receive \$25,293.42.

Another program is coming out in January for agricultural roads. This program has 12.5 million dollars to be distributed between 12 counties. We will submit a request for funds from this program as well.

The District meeting is scheduled to be held Saturday, March 2. The required Board of Review training will be available so someone will need to attend. We will discuss this more at our January meeting.

The January Board Meeting will be held Monday, January 15 beginning at 6:00p.m.

A motion was made and passed to adjourn at 7:20p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Mitchell, Clerk/Treasurer