Mike TOWN OF ERIN PRAIRIE MONTHLY BOARD MEETING NOVEMBER 18, 2024

The November 18, 2024 Town Of Erin Prairie Board Meeting was called to order at 6:10p.m. by Chairman John Van Dyk at the Erin Prairie Town Hall. Present were Board Members John Van Dyk, Mike Monteith, and Dennis Mitchell.

Motions were made by Mike to approve the agenda and the October Meeting Minutes as written. Dennis seconded the motions, which passed unanimously.

It was reported the available funds in November are \$96,023.96, which includes Shared Revenue in the amount of \$43,050.16. If we would pay all the bills presented tonight we will have \$46,954.94 remaining. The bills were presented and discussed. A motion was made by Dennis to accept the treasurer's report and pay the bills as presented. Mike seconded the motion, which passed by affirmative vote.

Tara Greiman, a representative from Farmer's Union, was present to discuss the proposed Xcel Energy Solar Energy Project. The focus for Farmer's Union is to work with Xcel Energy to establish a Community Benefit Agreement. The agreement would be a legal document that would help Xcel work with and stay invested in the community. Through the agreement the township can make requests about how things are set up such as what is under the solar panels, how things are built, if something will be placed outside of the panels along the road or other requests from the township. Farmers Union will provide support for setting up this agreement but will not provide everything. We would need to set up a community coalition to work on it.

Megan, the Community Representative for Xcel Energy will be contacted about presenting information to the township on Monday, December 16.

The engineering for the Agricultural Road Improvement Project (ARIP) can be done by Cedar Corporation. Russ from Cedar Corporation will be asked to attend our January Board Meeting to talk about this 190th St. Project that will be worked on in 2026.

The Borgstrom-Erin Prairie Dam located on 160th Ave. is required to have an inspection completed by a Professional Engineer Licensed in the State of Wisconsin and a report submitted to the State of Wisconsin every 10 years. This inspection was completed and submitted to the state. We are now required to complete the necessary work that was identified through the inspection. Dennis moved to have the County Highway Department complete the work that is necessary on the Borgstrom Dam. Mike seconded the motion which passed by affirmative vote. Dennis will talk with Joel about completing the Borgstrom Dam work and also trimming back the brush on 170th Ave to make it easier to see around the curves.

The Resolution Adopting The Treasurer's Tax Bond Exemption was presented for approval and signature. The Resolution has been in place and renewed each year so the Town Of Erin Prairie is not required to purchase a tax bond to be given to the County Treasurer, but the Township of Erin Prairie shall be obligated to pay all state and county taxes levied in the 2024 tax roll in case the Township Treasurer fails to do so. Dennis moved to sign the Treasurer's Tax Bond Exemption Resolution. Mike seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

A motion was made and passed to adjourn at 7:35p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jackie Mitchell, Clerk/Treasurer Town of Erin Prairie