

2014 Annual Meeting - April 15, 2014

The 160<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Town of Farmington was called to order at 7:30pm on Tuesday, April 15, 2014.

The minutes from the April 2013 Annual meeting were read. Motion to approve the minutes as read by Sandy Asleson, seconded by Paul Hoff. Motion passed.

The 2013 Financial Report was presented by Chairman Hesse. The question was raised concerning the line item Due other Government in the amount of \$5,930. Clerk to ask our accountant at Tostrud & Temp for an explanation.

How the Fire Department capital and operating expenses are presented in the Financial Report was explained. When monies are transferred to other Township accounts it is not considered an expense. Only when the money leaves the township is it considered an expense and reflected in the Financial Report. The suggestion was made that perhaps a better way to show this could be incorporated in the Financial Report for 2014.

A motion was made by Sandy Asleson to approve the 2013 Financial Report, seconded by Dennis Konze. Motion passed.

The Sanitary District report was presented by Joe Fee of Hawkins, Ash and Baptie. Barry Schimke, Sanitary District president informed that the Sanitary District had a good winter with only one problem with freezing and no water line breaks. The sanitary district has no plans for big projects in the coming year only general ongoing maintenance. He did caution that the current lift stations are getting old. A motion was made by Paul Hoff, seconded by Paul Hanson to approve the Sanitary District financial report. Motion passed

The Fire Department annual report was presented by Barry Schimke. The department responded to 35 fire calls in 2013. They currently have 30 volunteers and 4 reserve members. Purchases in 2013 were 3 chain saws, 35 hard hats (which are a DNR requirement), a radio for the Kubota and a trailer for the Kubota. The trailer was purchased from monies received from the Beverly Mickelson estate. Motion to approve the Fire Department report by Sandy Asleson, seconded by Dale Sutherland. Motion passed.

Chairman Hesse presented the First Responder Annual Report. In 2013 they responded to 82 calls. He reported also that \$9000.00 of the monies received from the Beverly Mickelson estate were put toward the purchase of Rescue 1 and the remainder in savings. Motion to approve by Paul Hoff, seconded by Barry Schimke.

Other business:

Paul Hoff reported that he had been regularly attending the meetings of Public Works Committee of the County Board in which the proposed switch of State Hwy 108 and Cty Hwy C is being discussed. He further informed residents that the information from these meetings can be read on the County website.

Residents asked if minutes could be posted on the website prior to being approved at town board and annual meetings with the notation – pending approval. Also a preliminary agenda for the Annual meeting, they were reminded that there is no agenda for an Annual Meeting.

Resident pointed out that the concrete from the garage floor on the former Mikkelson property had not as yet been removed. Chairman to speak again to business who did the demolition on the site.

The 2015 Annual meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 21, 2015.

Motion to adjourn made by Wendell Pfaff at 8:50pm, seconded by Sandy Aselson.