

May 20, 2021 Special Town Board Meeting

The Special meeting of the Town Board was called to order by Chairman Gaulke at 5:00 p.m. Supervisor Hanson, Supervisor Cobb, Clerk Nancy Edwards, Treasurer Irene Messinger were present.

Others present: Jim Sommerfeldt, Kay Hoff, Norm Wetzel, Roberta Gast, Bill McCutchin, John Bernard, Ralph Kerler, Charlene DeWald, Michael DeWald, Dick Bruesehoff, Robert Schuman, Mike Zimmerman, Tom Wegner, Kayla Houp from the Lakeland Times.

This meeting was properly posted and the media notified as required by law.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Motion by Supervisor Cobb seconded by Supervisor Hanson to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Presentation of Firehouse/Ambulance Construction Plans: Mr. Gaulke stated that the board was here today to present the Firehouse/Ambulance building construction plans. He turned the meeting over to Glenn Morrison from Architecture North, LTD. Mr. Morrison stated the new building would consist of 19,700 sq. feet on the lower level and 2,200 sq. feet on the mezzanine level. It will consist of an apparatus room, 12 doors, training area, 3 offices, bathrooms, storage offices, decontamination room, future bunk rooms, kitchen, mechanical room, hose tower, tool area, equipment room. A storage/water retention basin will be on the grounds.

Questions were raised on what will happen to the station on Firehouse Lane off of County F. It will remain and hold an ambulance and fire equipment.

The new building site is tentatively going to be located at the corner of Thorofare Rd and Hwy 47. We are still waiting on the tribal departments to give us the go ahead. They have the paperwork that was submitted.

Demographic estimates, which way is the town growing? The new site should still be centrally located. The fire/ambulance station is being built to serve the entire community. Does the motion taken at the April 22, 2019 for \$1,750,000 still stand for this new project? This matter is being looked into. We would be looking at a summer of 2022 start date and completion date of summer 2023. Mr. Gaulke has already talked to the bank regarding the borrowing of funds.

Motion by Supervisor Cobb seconded by Supervisor Hanson to adjourn at 6:05 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Edwards
Town Clerk