

REGULAR MEETING OF THE OACOMA TOWN BOARD
February 20, 2023

The Oacoma Town Board met in regular session at 7:00 P.M. on February 20, 2023 in Meeting Room #2 at the Oacoma Community Center. Board members present were Gary Dominiack, President; Kyle Fuchs; Roger Twamley; and Robin Hutmacher. Richard Kirkpatrick, Vice President, was absent. Also present was Valerie Moore, Finance Officer.

MINUTES

Motion by Twamley, second by Fuchs, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on February 6, 2023. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Time was reserved for public comments pursuant to SDCL 1-25-1. No comments were offered.

REAL ESTATE PURCHASE

Motion by Hutmacher, second by Twamley, to authorize payment of \$159,282.24 to Lyman County Title Co. Inc. for the purchase of Block 2, Gladstone addition, Oacoma, SD. Motion carried.

PORTABLE STAGE-BARGER GRANT

The board reviewed a proposal submitted by Progressive Products Inc. which contained quotes for four different sizes of APEX portable stages, conforming to minimum specifications. The stages ranged in cost from \$115,450 to \$224,111. A price list for optional equipment was also provided. The proposal included a quote of \$62,310 for an ASTRA stage; however, that stage did not meet minimum specifications. Proposals were requested from Century Industries and Stagline Mobile Stage Inc. but neither responded to the request.

Discussion was held on the stage models, various events which would benefit from a portable stage and possible funding sources for a purchase. Motion by Twamley, second by Hutmacher, to authorize a Barger Foundation grant application requesting \$100,000 to fund the purchase of a portable stage. Motion carried.

REQUEST FOR RATE VARIANCE

A request from Marie Schochenmaier was presented on behalf of Marie's Taxidermy for a variance from commercial to residential water and sewer rates due to the business no longer being in operation. The board reviewed the town's utility ordinance containing provisions for the variance request. Motion by Twamley, second by Hutmacher, to authorize a variance from commercial to residential water and sewer rates. Motion carried.

VACATION HOME LICENSE

A request was presented from Shane Andresen for a deadline extension to June 15 to obtain a municipal license for a Vacation Home Establishment due to his need to enlarge a window for egress requirements and delays in the availability of building materials. Motion by Fuchs, second by Twamley, to extend Andresen's deadline to obtain a municipal Vacation Home Establishment License to June 15, 2023. Motion carried.

LOCAL REVIEW BOARD

Dominiack announced that Monday, March 20, 2023 at 7:30 PM in Meeting Room #2 at the Oacoma Community Center is set for the Local Review Board to review property assessment records for the Town of Oacoma.

RECONCILIATION OF CASH ASSETS

Dominiack verified the Reconciliation of Cash Assets for the month of January.

OTHER DISCUSSION

Dominiack again appealed to residents of Oacoma to refrain from feeding deer and turkeys in residential neighborhoods. Notices were mailed with the February water bills asking for the community's cooperation on the matter. Since then, several residents contacted him concerning the damage deer are causing to their trees, bushes, and other landscaping plants. Dominiack suggested if residents do not voluntarily stop attracting wildlife by providing feed on the ground, the board may need to adopt a specific ordinance to restrict the practice and issue fines to those in violation.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Hutmacher, second by Fuchs, to adjourn. Motion carried. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 6, 2023 beginning at 7:00 P.M. in Meeting Room #2 at the Oacoma Community Center.

Gary Dominiack, President

Valerie J. Moore, Finance Officer

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