

March 14, 2016 the Town Board met for the regular meeting and all the members of the board were in attendance. Supervisor Gang led the pledge to the flag. A motion was made to accept the previous month's minutes by Councilman Wilbur and was seconded by Councilman Raymond and all were in favor. A motion was made to pay the audited bills by Coun. Greenough and was seconded by Coun. Wilbur and all were in favor.

**Old Business:** The Financials were given to the board and are in file in the clerk's office. The Highway budgeted amount for repairs in becoming depleted, but at this time things are going alright. There hasn't been any monies donated this month so far for the Veteran's Sign project and Coun. Greenough will have the final cost for the sign at the next meeting. The Dresden Baptist Church has been placed on the market for sale to whomever would like to purchase it. Sup. Gang didn't know who had it listed at this time.

**New Business:** A vote is necessary at this meeting for Resolution #07-2016 to change the wording about the Health Insurance Coverage for the retirees. There must be an 80% in favor to change it and since it can potentially affect Coun. Wilbur in the future he will be abstaining from the vote. Therefore,

**Resolution #07-2016** titled **2016 Teamsters Contract Amendment, Highway** changes the word in the current contract from "**provided**" to "**offered**" to allow current employees with ten or more years of service to have access to such health insurance benefits upon retirement. Sup. Gang, Coun. Raymond, Coun. Barber, and Coun. Greenough all voted in favor, and the resolution passed. A burn ban is in effect from March 16 through May 14. No burning is allowed during the ban and no permits are to be issued. A letter was received from the APA about our new Salt Barn that will be built coming up this year and it is all approved to begin.

**Highway Superintendent's Report:** Since the last meeting the crew has been busy with cutting and splitting a truckload of firewood purchased from Steve Peters in Putnam for \$600. They have cut, split, and stacked 6 cords already. They have also taken down and split up 2 other trees from Pike Brook Road and put them into the shed. Since the February meeting there has been 4 snow/ice events as well as 3 rain storms and a strong wind storm. The crew also repaired dirt road damage to Mosier, Belden, Gillis, and Bluff Head roads and unplugged some frozen culverts. There has been a lot of time spent on repairs including:

Replating the 544 loader bucket; oil changes on the 544 and 624 loaders; oil change on TD-7, TD-11, TD-12, and TD-24 and changed the upper and lower units on the 660 grade-all. Ross Chevrolet removed and repaired the heater control valve on the TD-14. One of the steering boxes on our old tandem had to be replaced and the part was purchased from Delurey's and we did the install ourselves. We also purchased (2) 1/8 X 4X8 sheet metal panels to repair the dump box floor on the TD-14 weed truck. We have begun hauling #4 material and shoulder stone to do repair on our dirt roads. Mr. Hobus has contacted Azzil Granite Materials for 1200 tons of scalping for road repair, shoulders and our new salt barn. The crew also installed a new window on the shop that was purchased about 4 years ago. The town roads are now posted for weight limitations for during the spring months. Again, the APA has approved the salt barn project and we will begin it soon. Finally, 800 men and women met with the State Assembly and the Senators for Advocacy Day to discuss money from the Governor to help out with project funding. There were no further discussions and a motion to adjourn was made by Coun. Wilbur and all were in favor. Respectfully submitted, Marcinda Wilbur, Dresden Town Clerk.