

Special Meeting, Ethan Town Board, 4/20/09

The Town of Ethan board met in special session on April 20, 2009 at the Town Hall at 5:30 p.m. Members present were Gary Stadlman, Robert Fitzgerald, Nancy Schoenfelder and Terry Mathis. Others present were Sonya Hespe, Brett Scott, Chad McGuire and Josh Franks.

Chairman Stadlman called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance. All motions were unanimously voted as aye unless stated otherwise.

Additions to the agenda were made by Schoenfelder and Stadlman. Motion Mathis, second Fitzgerald to approve the amended agenda.

OLD BUSINESS

There was more discussion on a new city building. Schoenfelder was told by Brenner Plumbing that no septic tank is allowed within 100 yards of the water tower. So the property the city currently owns at the tower site would not work for the new building location. Fitzgerald was given a ball park figure of \$80-100,000 for a structure and slab. This would not include any "green" features that have been previously talked about. Schoenfelder asked the other board members if they are ready to turn in an offer on lots and that when an offer is made there is no countering. There are two locations that were discussed. Kretschmer's is assessed at \$2500 and Riggs at \$1000. Mathis said the land at both locations would need to be built up.

Two quotes were received for the crack sealing project. ProSeal submitted a quote of \$0.70 per linear foot. TopKote submitted a quote of \$0.66 per linear foot. Motion by Mathis, second Fitzgerald to accept the quote from TopKote and have them seal what is needed up to \$5,000. Brett Scott will also talk to TopKote about rates for chip sealing some streets.

NEW BUSINESS

The election results were presented to the board. Motion Mathis, second Schoenfelder to approve the 2009 municipal election results as Gallus Thill 28, Joshua Franks 62 and Chad McGuire 69.

A letter was received from SD Department of Transportation for a Transportation Enhancement Stimulus program. Projects mentioned were the old fire hall, east side of the school, and the park. Planning and Development District III will be contacted to help determine if we can combine things on one application or they need to be separate. Stadlman will talk to Greg Henderson from Dist III to see if the park could apply separately than the city.

Schoenfelder added that a teacher approached her about the city buying trees or flowers and having the students plant them as a school project. Mathis said the Girl Scouts have planted flowers in the past so see what they are doing first. If the scouts are planting flower they can continue with that and the class can plant the trees.

Stadlman gave an update on the quote that was received from Lemke Digging at the April 6 meeting. Their quote was \$1200 total to dig up and install the meter pits. They would hook up the pit but not install the meter. Motion was made by Fitzgerald, second Schoenfelder to accept the quote from Lemke for this project.

Brett Scott informed the board that he will have the landfill open on Monday and Thursday from 5:00 to 7:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned.

Sonya Hespe
Finance Officer

Gary Stadlman
Chairman