

# **Town of Roann Meeting Minutes**

**December 14, 2021**

## **I. Call to Order**

**Richard Morris** called to order the Regular Board Meeting for the **Town of Roann** at **7:00 p.m. on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2021** in **Roann Town Hall**.

## **II. Roll Call**

The following persons were present: Richard Morris, physically present, James Pell, physically present, Jerry Nelson, physically present, Tony Janeway, Leonel Foust, Steve Hicks, Peggy Myers, Robert "M" Ferguson Jr., Kristina Lynn, absent and 1 citizen.

## **III. Approval of Minutes from last meeting**

The Town Council read the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on November 16, 2021, the minutes were approved as read.

### **Open issues**

- a) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. presented a breakdown of both Republic Services and Waste Management for residential and small business trash removal. Councilman James Pell stated, "I don't see a whole lot of difference total of the prices between the two, its whichever one we think would do the best job I think". Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. advised as you can see on your list, the recycle would be substantially higher and as a citizen, I would forgo the recycling so I wouldn't be paying the extra recycle cost of \$6.00 or \$7.00. Councilman Jerry Nelson stated, "My suggestion, our hands are tied because we have to do it, we have no alternative and been very fortunate". Jerry Nelson also stated "We already have Waste Management in town because they are already picking up for some of the businesses. Jerry Nelson stated "Waste Management is the larger of the companies and I believe they are probably going to have the better service for us and what I would suggest that we do is go with Waste Management". As far as raising the rate, Jerry Nelson also suggested to compose a letter or notification to send to all town residents explaining what has happened and why it's happened and we really have no alternative in this situation. Richard Morris stated, "They get rather pricy toward the end or pricer than the other". Jerry Nelson stated, "There's really not that much difference when you total overall and not do any recycling, we just can't afford that". James Pell stated, "I think Waste Management would be the best too, it's only a couple bucks in the 4 years". Richard Morris stated, "It's not a great deal of difference, no I agree". Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. suggested to start the increase for trash pickup in January billing. Richard Morris drafted an informational letter to residents explaining why the rate increase for trash pickup for

residents, and to be reviewed by attorney Kristina Lynn and signed by the Town Council. Jerry Nelson made a motion to approve the contract from Waste Management for trash pickup excluding recycling for a 2 year contract effective January 27, 2022, billing. James Pell seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 3-0.

- b) Tony Janeway still working on a quote from Russell Quillen for Town Hall Fasade.
- c) Tony Janeway advised nothing to report on the Town Truck.
- d) Marshall Steve Hicks advised the hearing date is set on December 22, 2021, for the dog at large for Tiffany Livesay.
- e) Marshall Steve Hicks advised the stipulations for handicap signs require 60 inches above ground from the bottom of the sign and noted the handicap stripping of lines needs to be corrected to blue for Federal guidelines and handicap signs posted. Steve Hicks suggested to attach the Handicap signs on the buildings in front of the Handicap location which will eliminate a sign. The Council agreed to attach the handicap sign to the front of Town Hall and Jerry Nelson will follow up with permission from the other 2 handicap locations. Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. will notify Super Seal to correct the white lines to blue for handicap parking.
- f) Tony Janeway got a price for a 36 inch convex mirror, post, brackets and concrete for \$520.00. Marshall Steve Hicks will research if a convex mirror will be helpful for safety purposes at the corner of Allen Street and Chippewa Street. The Town Council tabled until the next board meeting.

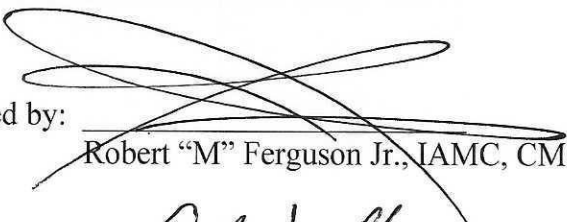
#### **New Business**

- a) Tony Janeway got a price of \$100.00 for the storm window and frame on the West side of Town Hall that has been missing. Jerry Nelson made a motion to replace the storm window on the back side of Town Hall for \$100.00. James Pell seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 3-0.
- b) Tony Janeway followed up with a price of \$5,600.00 from Brainard Excavating for a 30' x 50' turnaround including grade base, gravel and feather the edges in Wheatfield Addition. The Council tabled until spring.
- c) Tony Janeway requested the need for electricity in the pole barn that includes meter base, breaker box, conduit and wire for \$1,300.00 just to get electricity into the pole barn. Tony advised this does not include light switches, plugins, conduit and other inside items. The Council decided to hold off until next year.
- d) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. stated the State Board of Accounts are changing Fund numbers to a 4 digit system. Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. also advised that the State Board of Accounts is requiring us to depreciate our Assets, this will change the way Assets are being managed.
- e) Richard Morris requested a meeting to discuss a plan of action for Bruce Shaw's retirement as of July 1, 2022. Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. will follow up on the meeting needed.

#### **IV. Adjournment**

Richard Morris adjourned the meeting at **8:07 p.m.**

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

  
Robert "M" Ferguson Jr., IAMC, CMC, CMO,

Clerk/Treasurer

Minutes approved by:

  
Richard Morris, Council President

RMFJ/pm