

Town of Anderson

Meeting Minutes

Annual Meeting per Sec 60.11 (1)(2) April 20, 2021 at Town Hall at 6:45 PM

Jeremy Gronski called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jeremy Gronski.

Approval of minutes of the 2020 annual meeting minutes

Jim Loomis motioned to approve the 2020 Annual Meeting Minutes as written. Jeremy Jackson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Review of Financial Statement-year ending 12-31-2020

Barb Loomis motioned to approve the financial Statement. Mike Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Reports

Jeremy Gronski explained that the Annual Newsletter had good information in it and that one was sent to every household or was picked up at the April election. There will be another one done for 2021.

The Comprehensive Plan was discussed. Steve Johnson is currently the chair, but he feels that it should be chaired by a Board member. Steve Johnson went through the summary of the plan. This is located on our website, <https://townofanderson.org/planning-commission/>. The committee met 5 times to discuss the CAFO. The main concern is the safety of our water. Our drinking water as well as our rivers and ponds. We are working with the St. Croix River Association to help find a solution. The proposed CAFO contradicts our Comprehensive Plan. Some of the ideas that are being discussed are looking at our Zoning, meeting with other towns and if there is anything the County can do to help. In the current year, more research will be done and revisiting our Comprehensive Plan. We will also monitor grants to see if we can get on for water testing. Kristy Allen motioned for her to join the Water Group as a representative for the Town of Anderson at these meetings. Steve Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Town of Anderson is in a contract with Bell Timber to manage our forest to bring money into the town. We are in the process of selling 80 acres for land as it is not profitable for foresting. There are 3 people interested in purchasing the land for a total price of about \$203,000.

Discussions

Steve Johnson and Mike Lee said that they would be interested in being on the Comprehensive Plan Committee for a two-year term.

The Town has approved \$500 to be used for testing private wells.

Mike Lee said that since all our roads were open to ATV use that County Road O should be as well. Ramona Moody said that all of County Road O was open to ATV use. The Town agreed that the roads should remain open.

Cavin Johnson asked if the Town could grade the church driveways. Because they are privately owned the Town is not able to grade them

Open the floor to electors

Steve Johnson motioned to approve the Town Levy at \$108,548. Steve Christian seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Tim Harmon recognized Jim Bethke's hard work of cleaning and keeping the shop clean, getting the road right ways mowed and getting the street signs put up.

It was discussed to hire a part-time maintenance person assist Jim. Mutual aid with other Towns is working well. Mike Lee would like to look at 1099 contractors. The age of equipment was discussed as well. We will need to look into the guidelines for the age of equipment. Mike Lee said that he would check websites to see if we can get things for free or at a reduces cost. There was a discussion of having to have a storage shed built.

Next meeting Annual Meeting will be April 19, 2022

Motion to continue to have barbecue dinner

There was a discussion about continuing the Annual Barbecue for next year and everyone agreed we should have one.

Adjournment

Tim Harmon motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm. Kristy Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried.