

Town of Big Flats
Regular Board Meeting
April 8, 2025

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Reed called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Present: Chairman Reed, Supervisor Kipfer, Supervisor Clark, Clerk Horacek, Treasurer Nigh

The Pledge was recited.

2. Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda by Supervisor Kipfer, 2nd by Supervisor Clark. **Motion Carried**
3. **Approval of Bills:** Motion by Supervisor Kipfer, 2nd by Supervisor Clark to pay the bills.
Motion Carried

Approval of Previous Months Minutes: Motion by Supervisor Kipfer, 2nd by Supervisor Clark to approve the minutes from the previous month's minutes. **Motion Carried**

Treasure's Report: Treasurer Nigh read balances for all accounts. There were no questions. Chairman Reed asked for the reports to be filed for audit.

Correspondence: Handed out, no questions

Fire Department Report: Fire Chief Schmidt Reported for March total calls for service were 14. EMR: 4, Fire Dept only: 7, False alarms: 2, Special duty: 1, 9 for Big Flats, 2 for Monroe, 3 Mutual Aid.

The 2024 reports have been done and uploaded. They did make the deadline of April 1st. Some had been missing but they found everything. They will be being done by next month from now on. They've been cleaning everything up after the construction. They implemented a new policy regarding facial hair, Stating the breathing apparatus will not seal with facial hair. Would like to purchase. It will be paid for out of the fire fighter's account. There will be training using people. It will be for rescuing people from car accidents. This year's donation letters have been sent out.

Zoning: Rich Westover stated he did 3 approvals in March, responded to 16 phone calls and 23 emails. There are no legal issues as of now.

Nuisance Committee: None

Fire Department Repeater: Scott Shipps stated that the cost to purchase everything to update the repeater would be \$7000.00. The work would be done in house. A motion was made by Supervisor

Kipfer to issue a check to the fire department, 2nd by Supervisor Clark.

Motion Carried

Options for shop phones: Supervisor Clark looked at a cell phone booster. The cost would be up to \$600. It was decided to be tabled to see what happens with the new fiber optics that is being put in the township. This way we can use the cameras that are set up in the shop. It has been tabled.

Transfer site stairs: Supervisor Clark stated the stairs will need to be replaced; they just haven't started it yet.

Fire Dept. Truck #531: Chief Schmidt stated that there are a few reasons why no one wants to use this truck. The headlights are not good at all. There's no place to secure equipment. It's 30 years old, it's hard to find replacement parts. No AC in the rear. Some of the doors won't stay open. The rear compartment is not safe for someone to ride in. It's not 4-wheel drive. They looked at a couple trucks from AF Motors with government pricing. The department did agree that they would put up \$12,000 towards the new truck. She will also go to the Town of Monroe to ask for help.

Kim picked up the ambulance. It's waiting to be put up for sale. They need to set up a new account on Wisconsin Surplus.

Outside lights & exit lights: It was decided that Supervisor Clark will take care of the lights being replaced, coordinating with the contractor.

Tom Schultz, Heartland Farms: Tom was not able to attend. Supervisor Kipfer stated Heartland is planning on moving field entrances. The farm will pay to do this. They will shut down some of the other road drives. It was asked if the farm had stepped up about putting snow fence up. It was stated that the town puts up snow fence.

Clerk & Treasurer's Contracts: A motion was made by Supervisor Clark and 2nd by Supervisor Kipfer to accept the 3-year contract for both the clerk and treasurer. Motion Carried

Announcements:

- Annual Meeting April 15, 2025, @ 6:00 PM
- Next Plan Commission meeting: May 20, 2025 @ 6:00 PM
- Next regular town meeting: May 13, 2025 @ 6:00 PM

Adjourn: Motion by Supervisor Kipfer, 2nd by Supervisor Clark to adjourn. **Motion Carried**

43 people sign in

Terri L. Horacek, Town Clerk