

Arago Town Board Meeting

April 9, 2019

Members Present - Jason McCollum - Chairperson/Supervisor, Clark Smith - Supervisor, Lance Barnum - Supervisor, Brittany Barnum - Clerk, Cecelia Michaels - Treasurer. Megan Auzenne took part in the meeting for training.

Jason called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion was made by Lance and seconded by Clark to accept the March Meeting Minutes as printed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Lance to accept the March Treasurer's Report as printed. Motion carried.

Claims were reviewed. A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Lance to pay bills.

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| #3884 Brittany Barnum | General | \$25.00 |
| #3885 Cecelia Michaels | General | \$167.32 |
| #3886 Hubbard County First Responders | General | \$3,000.00 |
| #3887 Headwaters Center for Lifelong Learning | General | \$300.00 |
| #3888 Headwaters Animal Shelter | General | \$700.00 |
| #3889 Kinship of Park Rapids | General | \$800.00 |
| #3890 All Veterans Memorial | General | \$700.00 |
| #3891 Living at Home | General | \$700.00 |
| #3892 Support Within Reach | General | \$700.00 |
| #3893 City of Park Rapids | General | \$1,500.00 |
| #3894 Lakes Area Dive Team | General | \$600.00 |
| #3895 Forum Communications | General | \$93.92 |
| #3896 Itasca Mantrap Electric | General | \$138.01 |
| #3897 Internal Revenue Service | General | \$515.23 |
| #3898 Long Construction | Roads | \$10,426.50 |

OLD BUSINESS

CD - Cecelia opened a new CD at Citizens National Bank and deposited 150,000.00.

Salaries - The salaries and hourly pay was discussed. Arago is about in the middle of the salaries compared to surrounding townships. Jason recommended raising the clerk quarterly salary to \$800, raising the treasurer quarterly salary to \$500, raising the supervisor quarterly salary to \$250.00, leaving the \$75 per meeting, and leaving the hourly at \$20. A motion was made by Lance and seconded by Clark to adjust the salaries beginning with the next paychecks. Motion carried.

Spring Road Tour - The road tour is rescheduled for Monday, April 15th at 4 pm.

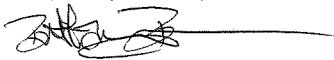
NEW BUSINESS

Turn Around - Clark has been in touch with the attorney regarding the turn around project. He let Troy know we approved the project at the annual meeting. Troy recommended speaking with a realtor or assessor to find out a range of property values in the area, and speaking with the landowner to attempt a direct purchase. The second option is hiring an appraiser to take a look at the land. The board is in agreement that an easement is the best way to go. Lance recommended having the landowners attend a meeting when they are in the area to go over everything where everyone will be on the same page.

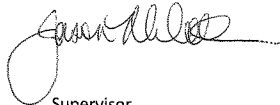
Terry Long brought up the Fireman Appreciation Banquet that takes place this coming weekend, and all townships are invited. It is at the legion on Saturday at 6 pm.

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Brittany Barnum - Clerk



Supervisor

