

Emergency Services Committee Minutes for October 30, 2017

The Emergency Services Committee met on Monday, October 30, 2017 at the town hall at 6:30 p.m. Members present were Ed Kacures, Jason Krueger, John Olson, Bob Raveling, Dick Raveling, Maureen Graber, Pat Spence, Lloyd Erdmann, Craig Gondeck, and Todd Waytashek. Craig Gondeck call the meeting to order, led the Pledge to the Flag, and turned the meeting over to committee chairman Todd.

Pat and Maureen described the recent visit to the Princeton Fire Department and the Wyanett Township substation located east of Princeton. The substation was built in 2009 as a pole building with in-floor heat. The building costs total \$167,219.86 and include: sewer at \$10,525.00, plumbing at \$6,250.00, electrical at \$24,032.40, East Central Electric to bring power to building at \$3,500, building (70 x 90) at \$65,588.29, labor at \$24,541.77, 6" thick concrete at \$24,032.40, well at \$5,250.00, and bathrooms at \$3,500. The township did a one-time assessment on property taxes for the building. Residents wanted that, and it saved a great deal on interest payments if it had to be financed. Craig discussed the benefit of doing this, as most residents would be eligible for a circuit breaker rebate.

Todd said that he is waiting to hear from the Chain of Lakes architect. There seems to be a discrepancy in the difference of what the building cost (\$451,000) and his estimate for 2018 construction (\$698,000). Todd then led the committee through discussion of the power point slides. Pat and Maureen will re-work the figures on slide #15. Handouts will be distributed at the November 14th meetings that include Start Up Costs, Operating Expenses, and any other slides that contain detailed financial information that would be difficult to read on the screen. The slide would contain summary information of each category.

Jason asked about the structure of the November 14th meetings. The committee agrees that Todd should give the presentation within a 40-minute time frame, hold questions until the end, and then distribute the survey that Jason has prepared.

The slide presentation still needs a line graph that shows future, 15-year projections for staying with the current contracts contrasted with each building option. Pat will receive the bond payment costs from Todd Hagen by the end of this week for \$275,000, \$700,000, and \$800,000. She will work with Maureen and John on the line graph slide. This will be emailed to committee members along with the revised slide presentation as soon as possible.

Craig will get refreshments for the meetings: donuts, coffee, and juice for the morning meeting and cookies and coffee for the evening meeting. We will plan for fifty people at each meeting.

Pat gave a quick update on the newsletter being printed by Palmer Printing in Waite Park. It will be mailed on November 3rd and is going to all who pay property tax in Watab. The meeting adjourned at 8:50pm.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Pat Spence