

August 2023 Monthly Meeting

The monthly meeting for the Town of Casco was called to order by Chairman Joe Lukes on Wednesday, August 30, at 7:00 pm. Present were Wes Fager, Holly Gruetzmacker and the Casco Town Board. Barry Fenendael was absent.

The clerk read the minutes from the July meeting. Perry made a motion to approve the minutes as read and Joe seconded. Motion approved.

The treasurer reported as follows: Checking-\$314,264.94 Cemetery-\$3,516.82 CD-\$51,096.72 ARPA-86,316.38 Deposits of Interest: August settlement-\$71,462.33 Perry made a motion to approve the report and Joe seconded. Motion carried.

Edie reported that letters were sent to Al Thiry and Holly Gruetzmacker listing fines accumulated for ordinance violations. On August 12, it was noticed that one of the trailers was removed from the property. Edie will send a letter to Holly listing the additional fines owed. Holly appeared before the Board complaining that she was being harassed and claiming that other people were dumping tires and a refrigerator on her property. She put up a camera to see who is doing this.

Wes Fager appeared before the Board and asked if he could place a trailer on his property for 2 months. He will live there while his modular home is being built. If it takes longer, he will have to appear before the board for an extension or face fines. Perry and Joe approved this request.

Randy Jacobs talked to Joe about buying a cemetery plot for 3 people and putting the cremains on 1 plot. Joe talked to Tim Kinnard and was told that only 2 people can be buried on a single plot. This will be noted for future reference.

The assessor contract was signed by Joe for 2024. The cost is \$9,400.00

All bills were approved and paid. There are no outstanding bills.

The highway 54 project will start on Tuesday, September 5. Northeast Asphalt is the main contractor.

At the county board meeting, Ed Dorner, interim county administrator, stated that a committee was formed to hire a new administrator. They are hoping to have the position filled by December 1. The county is also sending a group to Iowa to check out the new jail there which was built for 9 million dollars. The plan here was rejected for costs far exceeding the proposed budget.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 26, at 7:00 pm. Joe made a motion to adjourn and Perry seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Terrie Gabriel, Casco Town Clerk