

May 11, 2021

SPECIAL MEETING

A Special Meeting of the Martinsburg Town Board was held Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at the Municipal Offices on Cemetery Road and called to order at 5:45 PM. Present were Supervisor Terrence Thisse; Councilmen Janusz Karelus, Darren Jantzi and Brad Allen; Highway Superintendent Tyler Jones and Town Clerk Mary Kelley. Absent: Councilman Michael McGrath. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the town's Special Event Law, Property Maintenance Law, Clutter, Debris and Litter Law, Fence Law and any other matter that might come before the board.

Supervisor Thisse and Superintendent Jones reported on a meeting they attended with Lewis County officials regarding a Special Events Law. Mr. Thisse said he would like to see towns (roads) included in the County Special Event Law. Any Town could opt out if they so wish. Fees associated with the law were discussed. A road use permit was discussed to generate funds. Towns in Lewis County do not receive any income back from the County, such as bed tax and/or sales tax. Insurance for event holders was discussed. Mr. Thisse shared with the County his concern about the past ATV Event that was held and damage done to cropland. County Manager Piche suggested the Town ask for more road patrols during ATV events. Discussion was held on revising the Town of Martinsburg Event Law. Supervisor Thisse would like to wait until the County revises theirs.

6:00 PM Councilman Allen arrived.

Supervisor Thisse had a discussion with the owner of Flat Rock Inn, Gordon Yancey, regarding damage done to a field across the road from the establishment. Since no parking was allowed on the establishment, ATV's and other vehicles parked in the field owned by Gary Roczkowski.

They discussed the fence law, clutter law and property maintenance law that the town has in place. Supervisor Thisse said a notice of violation will be sent to Mr. Yancey regarding the Town Fence Law, Property Maintenance Law and Clutter and Debris Law. He will have to respond in a timely manner with how he will remedy the violations.

A request was made by the Martinsburg Volunteer Fire Department to use the Town Attorney to process a property transfer. This will be discussed with Attorney Russell at a future meeting.

Discussion was held on the David Hosler property adjacent to the Municipal Building.

Mr. Jones reported that work has started on the installation of the new water main on Alger Road.

Two new production wells were drilled on the 3-G Volunteer Fireman's field day property in Glenfield. One produced approximately 70 gallons a minute and one was dry. Need to talk to the Department of Health to see if the Town can get by with just one back up well.

Councilman Allen made a motion, seconded by Councilman Karelus to go into executive session at 7:00 PM to discuss acquisition of real property. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Councilman Allen made a motion, seconded by Councilman Karelus to leave executive session at 7:10 PM and adjourn the Special Meeting. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kelley, Town Clerk