

October 30, 2023

SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING

(Notes taken by Supervisor Thisse)

Present: Supervisor Terrence Thisse; Councilmen Darren Jantzi, Janusz Karelus, Brad Allen and Highway Superintendent Tyler Jones. Meeting called to order at 5:30 PM. Absent: Town Clerk Mary Kelley.

Finalized Martinsburg Water and 3-G Fire Department Budgets. Discussion was held on the budget for Martinsburg Fire Department which included items for a new building. Thought to be premature without a clear path to funding.

Discussed funding for both fire departments towards "Search and Rescue" items that should be the counties' responsibility. Suggested that both departments lobby the county for funding.

Finalized the Whitaker Park budget. Discussed using AARP funds for new mower and other equipment.

Finalized Highway budget with much discussion on a wage increase. Settled on a base pay for full time MEO operators not considered to be in a new hire transition, at \$22.00 per hour. This rate to be for a two-year period – 2024 and 2023.

Councilman Karelus made a motion, seconded by Councilman Allen to adjourn at 6:35 PM. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Notes typed up by Mary Kelley, Town Clerk