

**Town of Oakland, Douglas County  
Regular Town Board Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, June 8, 2021, at 7 p.m.  
Oakland Town Hall**

Present: Jack Byrd, Dana Dolsen, Randy Polson, Stacy Fornengo, Laurie Dolsen, and 9 Interested Citizens

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Chair Jack Byrd; the Pledge of Allegiance was recited; a quorum was present; and the meeting was properly posted. Meeting minutes from the May 11, 2021, Regular Town Board meeting were reviewed previously and no changes were made. DD motioned to approve the May 11, 2021, Regular Town Board Meeting minutes as presented; RP seconded; all were in favor via voice vote; motion carried.

**Reports:** Clerk Laurie Dolsen reported she has been working with our accountant, Donn Bergquist, and the town's Form CT was submitted on time. She is also slowly typing up all of the ordinances we have on file in order to post them on-line. In addition, she is also processing an open records request received from the Plan Commission. Treasurer Stacy Fornengo shared we have received our annual ATC payment and the Clean-up Day proceeds have all been deposited. Supervisor Randy Polson thanked all of the volunteers who helped at this year's town clean-up day as it was a huge success. Supervisor Dana Dolsen had nothing to report but echoed Randy's comments. Fire Chief John Melcher shared they had 2 medical calls, 1 fire call, and 2 mutual aid calls. Planning has begun for the 2022 Snowshoe Races; they have begun looking at fire prevention outreach events for the month of October; and are continuing to look into getting an air compressor system to fill their air bottles/tanks. They continue to replace and upgrade their supplies (i.e., medical bags, etc.) and John reported the equipment van is on its last legs and will need to be replaced soon. Long-term goals are also to look into getting a water system. Road Crew foreman Brian Conley reported they have been grading roads, moved the bull dozer to push out ditchings, ditched Old Lyman Lake Road, prepared for town cleanup, cleaned up the mess left by the town cleanup, hauled the scrap iron to Azcon, worked on the dump truck (lights/brakes), worked on the 2004 Mack hub assembly, hauled the batteries to NAPA, removed all the mattresses from cleanup day, installed 4 culverts on Range Line Road, hauled away the old culverts, leveled the ditchings on Otto Road, hauled hay bales and the hay cannon to the road project, and applied the seed and hay to the new ditch on Old Lyman Lake Road. Douglas County Supervisor Joe Moen was not present—no report.

**Bills:** The bills were reviewed prior to the meeting and DD motioned to approve payment of the bills as presented; RP seconded; all were in favor via voice vote; motion carried.

**Plan Commission:** Plan Commission Chair Brian Conley shared they have reviewed the policies, plan and maps from the Northwest Regional Planning Commission and are currently sorting through the Comprehensive Plan surveys received and are tabulating the results on a spreadsheet. Also mentioned were items covered at the WTA meeting in May—campgrounds, signs, Pout systems, etc. No other action items were received.

**Operator License:** An application for an operator license has been received and we are waiting on the background check. Once received, all is in order and LD recommended approval. RP motioned to approve the application for an operator's license once all the information is received; DD seconded; all were in favor via voice vote; motion carried.

**Class B Beer/Liquor License:** Renewal applications for a Class B Beer/Liquor License and Tobacco License from Lynn Simonson dba Kopper Kettle has been received. Publishing will be completed on June 18 and if we don't hear from anyone or any vendors, it should be good to go for renewal. RP motioned to approve the Class B Beer/Liquor License and the Tobacco License renewal applications received from Lynn Simonson dba Kopper Kettle once the publishing has been completed; DD seconded; all were in favor via voice vote; motion carried.

**Clean-up Day Wrap-up:** The Town Board thanked the volunteers who helped make our annual clean-up day a success this spring. Volunteers from the fire department, the town board and some of their family members, and the road crew made this spring's clean-up day go smoothly. RP reported that it did take the appliance vendor over 3 weeks to come and pick up the items so we may be looking at various vendors for next spring's event. It was also suggested to add an additional dumpster as well. LD will send a thank you to Gronk's for donating some of the food to feed the volunteer crew.

**Sound Absorbing Panels:** RP reported he has spoken with 3 vendors who supply sound absorbing panels and has sent the pictures of our hall to get a better idea of what to recommend. He is currently waiting to receive examples/samples and will continue to research the best options for our hall.

**Open House/Community Events:** DD shared that Covid-19 prevented us from holding an open house for our new facility last year and she is looking into putting together an open house with the Fire Department—JM suggested they meet to speak about some options. She is also looking into holding an event for kids (i.e., movies in the park with a food vendor, if available, where 20% of the profits from the vendor would go back to the town). She is looking for input from residents on what they would like to see.

**Public Comment:** LD shared that she has received requests that we have a sign for our building to let everyone know where our town hall is as well as the volunteer fire department. This should be looked at during budget time. We were recently asked if alcohol could be served at an event that didn't fall under the wedding package. It was felt the answer should be no unless they follow the processes noted from our town board on the rental agreement. LD also reported she received \$25 for the town's general fund for the sale of old items from the old hall's kitchen during her recent rummage sale held at the town hall (the money has been given to Stacy).

The next regular town board meeting will be at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, July 13, 2021. RP motioned to adjourn; DD seconded; all were in favor via voice vote; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie K. Dolsen, Town Clerk