

**Town of Kendall  
15548 County Road O  
Darlington, WI 53530  
Monthly Board Meeting  
September 14, 2020**

Meeting was called to order by Chairman, Mark Rehmstedt at 7:30 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call was taken. Board members present Mark Rehmstedt, Bernice Flogel and Reggie Kamps.

Meeting agenda was posted at Town Dumpsite, Town Hall, and Corner of Burr Oak and Oak Park Rd. Reggie made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Bernie. All Ayes. Motion Carries.

Motion by Reggie, seconded by Bernie to approve the August 10th, 2020 Monthly Board Meeting Minutes. All Ayes. Motion carries.

The bills for the month were presented for payment. A motion was made by Reggie to approve the bills to be paid. Bernie seconded it. Roll call – Bernie – aye, Mark – aye, Reggie – aye. Motion carries.

The only correspondence has been online voter registrations and absentee ballot requests.

The next meeting will be October 12th, 2020 at 7:30 pm.

**Patrolmen's Update:** The patrolmen have replaced some road signs. They took the loose gravel signs down. Bill has been servicing the grader and replaced the mower blades. They have been getting some mowing done. The men would like to get a second mowing done so it is easier to push snow back in the winter. FEMA money was used last year to rework and ditch some of Airport Road. Water is washing against the edges of the new blacktop on the hill and wearing it away. The men have pushed the ditch back. Big rock with gravel on top was added to the north side of the road to help protect the edge. Still need to do the south edge of the hill. Lee McCarville hasn't been out trimming yet, but he says he is still coming.

**Old Business:**

**Fire & Ambulance Reports:** The Belmont Fire District Board voted on a vehicle savings account. It was approved to start it with \$5000. The Town of Kendall will contribute \$750 to this. This would not be used for the tanker truck since this is only used for the Townships. The Fire Board will decide how to spend the money. The Town of Kendall has not had an increase in Fire dues to Belmont for six years, besides being bumped up after leaving the Darlington Fire Department.

**Discussion and possible action on proposal by Belmont Fire District for a new tanker truck:** When the Town of Kendall approved Belmont Fire District looking at a new tanker truck, it was up to \$180,000. None of the other municipalities involved suggested a limit. The District received four bids. The lowest two are just under \$200,000. The District is leaning towards the Rosenbauer truck, which is about \$195,000. The Town of Kendall's share would be 31% of the cost. If this is the truck purchased, a five year loan for the Town of Kendall's share would be about \$13,000/year. Researched interest rates show 1.75% at First National Bank and 2.99% at Mound City Bank. This loan would start next year. Mark made a motion to support the purchase of a brand new tanker truck for the Belmont Fire District. Bernice seconded it. A roll call was taken. Bernie – aye, Reggie – aye, Mark – aye. Motion carries.

**Truman Road (Bridge) Structure update:** The bridge will be out for a few days at the end of September, if things run according to schedule. Gravel will be put down at the structure site for assembly of the culvert. A big crane will be brought in to pick it up since it weighs about 40,000 lbs and set it in place. Part of the bid package included it being done in two weeks, weather permitting. No guardrails will be needed because of the length. Elam Allgyer will try to keep animals out of the adjacent field while the work is being done or temporary fencing will be used.

#### **New Business:**

**Discussion and possible action on borrowing funds for road maintenance:** Last year the Township borrowed \$42,000 at 2.4% for one year for road work. This was paid in July. The final payment on the mower was made this year. If the Township would like to keep catching up on road work, maybe another loan should be taken out. The Township could borrow up to \$45,000 for roads. The interest rate would be 1.25% at First National Bank and 2.4% at Mound City Bank. A loan of up to \$45,000 would not have much effect on the current mill rate for Township taxes. Reggie made a motion to allow the Town of Kendall to borrow \$45,000 for one year for road maintenance. Bernice seconded it. A roll call vote was taken. Bernice – aye, Reggie – aye, Mark – aye. Motion carries.

**Discussion and possible action on consideration for a Reserve Account in the 2021 budget for large future capital expenditures:** The Town's Association thinks it is a good idea. The Reserve Account would be primarily for large equipment purchases. The tractor will need to be replaced in the nearer future. It has 9,000 hours on it. Sloan's has lease options for government that we might want to consider. After some discussion, it was decided to table this for possible later discussion.

**Discussion and possible action on Resolution for consideration of changing banking institutions:** The resolution is for changing the Town of Kendall's banking institution from Mound City Bank to First National Bank (FNB). FNB is Interested to work with the Town of Kendall. They have shown they have lower interest rates on

loans. It would also be more convenient for the Clerk/Treasurer to make deposits. Two signatures would still be required: the Board Chairman and the Clerk/Treasurer. After some discussion, Reggie made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-01 to change the Town of Kendall banking institution to First National Bank. Bernice seconded it. A roll call vote was taken. Bernice – aye, Mark – aye, Reggie – aye. Motion carries.

**Discussion on township ATV/UTV routes:** The County is looking at opening all County roads to ATV/UTV use. This would apply to the lettered County roads. The numbered highways are not included in this. Townships would have control over their roads. The Town of Kendall has an ordinance put into effect in 2017 which designates some of the roads in the Township. This was brought up as a discussion topic only. An elector mentioned how loud the ATV's are when they go past his house.

**Public Comment:** An elector had a few more questions about the new versus used for the tanker truck. The Fire District did initially look into used trucks as well, but they were almost as expensive as new, and they had quite a few years on them. Belmont Fire District also looked into just replacing the tank, but the tank is the bulk of the cost.

Bernie made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mark. All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 9:07 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Lisa Caya

Approved:

Mark Rehmstedt



Reggie Kamps



Bernice Flogel

