

The monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of French Creek was held on Monday March 13, 2022, at the Town Highway building.

Those present were; David White, town supervisor, Debbra Albright town clerk, and Brian Malecki, highway supervisor. Board members; Paul Carey, Wayne Emory, Brynee Hinsdale, and Norvel Willink.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm. The minutes from last month's meeting were read and approved as they are.

Mr. Messenger gave the code report and presented some information he collected from other towns to compare the cost of permits in other areas. French Creek is about the same as the others.

Mr. White read the assessor's report and it was noted that there is an opening for the assessor's review board. There was no justice report this month. The supervisor's financial report was read and discussed.

The floor was then opened for public comment. Mr. Travis Heiser spoke to let us know he is currently filling a position in district 17 that has been vacated due to a resignation in our county legislature. Next year French Creek township will be moved to district 18 and Marty Proctor, who was also present will be running for that position.

Mr. White presented a resolution to accept the current boundary lines of our agricultural district and leave them as shown on the map presented.

The fire district approached our supervisor about paying them for an increase in the fire district. It was supposed to be requested by them and was not. Money was not allotted for that in the Town budget for this year and they want payment for the last 2 years. The board decided to discuss a resolution to pay the back fees.

The town Assessor asked for the town to approve 3 new exemptions for tax relief.

- 1) a total exemption for those over 65 with an income of \$22,000. Or less
- 2) a 10% deduction for volunteer firemen and ambulance workers
- 3) exemption for veterans, with or without disabilities. Not to exceed 12%

Mr. White asked for the approval of the board so we can move forward and present it at a public hearing. All agreed.

Mr. Malecki gave the highway report. It was noted that the new truck is finally here, and the new box is being installed. They should have it in a few days. The new loader should be coming next month also. Mr. Malecki also traveled to Albany last month to meet with officials about the highway CHIP fund.

The bills were presented for payment. Mr. White made the motion to approve. Mr. Cary moved the motion, and it was 2nd by Mr. Willink, followed by 5 ayes. The amounts are as follows: General fund \$4185.39, Building reserve fund \$52,898.00, ERF Fund \$33,624.80

Mr. White motioned to adjourn at 9:18pm, moved by Mr. Carey, 2nd by Mrs. Hinsdale, followed by 5 Ayes.