

The regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of French Creek was held on Monday February 13, 2023 at the Town Highway building. Those present were David White, Supervisor, Debbra Albright, Town Clerk and Brian Malecki, Highway supervisor. Board members Paul Carey and Wayne Emory and Code Officer Jeff Messenger. Board members Brynne Hinsdale and Norvel Willink were absent.

The meeting was called to order at 7:31pm.

The minutes were reviewed. Mr. White asked that it be added to last month's approval to grant Bill Himeline a permit for a temporary storage container, that it was a fee of \$25.00. Mr. White motioned to approve, it was accepted by Mr. Emory and 2nd by Mr. Carey.

Mr. Messenger gave the code report. There was only 1 permit issued last month. Mr. White had a request to make him a list of all the fees for permits so it could be put onto the Towns website. There will be a review of the fees and maybe changing the amount to be charged for the penalty of starting a building without a permit first.

Lauren Sharp from the Chaut. Co. Dept. Of Planning and development spoke to us about the open registration period for agricultural land in our township. You can add or remove land between March 1st-31st, 2023. This only happens once every 8 years. We will be putting up fliers to notify people and posting on the website.

Marty Proctor stopped in to introduce himself. He will be running for our Legislature in the 18th district this fall. He asked for opinions on the solar projects happening in our area. French Creek does have a solar project in progress, but the original project leader Peter McAuliffe is no longer with that company. Mr. White is waiting to hear who that person is now.

Mr. White didn't have an assessor's report to give. The board reviewed the finance report. We received the first installment on the salt shed grant and that money has been paid to the bank.

Mr. Malecki gave the highway report. He is requesting that the board review the parking laws and ask that they be changed. He would like no parking 24/7 during the time period from November 1st- March 31st. There would be new signs posted on certain roads.

Mr. White presented the board with the new contract for the youth recreation program with Clymer for signing. He then presented the bills for payment in the amounts of \$14570.01 for the Highway fund, \$19,938.63 in the general fund and \$69,690.82 in special districts. Mr. White motioned to approve. Accepted by Mr. Carey and 2nd by Mr. Emory followed by 3 ayes.

Mr. White motioned to adjourn at 9:01pm. It was 2nd by Mr. Carey and 3rd by Mr. Emory, followed by 3 ayes.