

April 19, 2016 Annual Meeting Minutes

ANNUAL MEETING TOWN OF THERESA
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The Annual Meeting for the Town of Theresa was called to order at 8:00 p.m. on April 19, 2016 by Town Chairman Paul Christian. A total of 16 residents and 1 non-resident were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The minutes from the 2015 annual meeting were read by Clerk Diane Steger. A motion was made by Rick Steger and seconded by Carl Benter to approve the minutes. (16 ayes, 0 nays) Motion carried. The receipts portion of the Financial Report was read by the clerk. Carl Benter made a motion to waive the reading of the 2015 itemized expenses and Mary Jaster seconded. Motion carried (16 ayes, 0 nays). Treasurer Diane Koch explained the tax levy percentages and remaining indebtedness at TSB Bank. Motion was made by Gene Grulke and seconded by Don Bonack to accept the financial report as read (16 ayes, 0 nays). Motion carried. Rick Steger made a motion, seconded by Perry Billings to accept TSB Bank and the State Investment Pool as Designated Depositories for the Township. (16 ayes, 0 nays). Motion carried.

New Business

Chairman Christian stated that the town has \$105,000 budgeted for road paving this year. The Town Board and Don Bonack have toured the town roads. Don reported that the road projects include slurry sealing or sealcoating North Bluemound Rd. from Hwy. TW to Elm Rd. and Allen Rd. from Hwy. AY to Hwy. P. Wedging and paving West Bend Rd. south to the bridge and Mountain Rd. where the culverts were replaced. There are 13 bridges in the Town of which many need repairs. The Freedom Rd. bridge was recently repaired, two bridges on Gill Rd. need their decks sealed. The Zion Church Rd. bridge is deteriorated and we've gotten county funding for 50% of the repair cost. A Hochheim Rd. culvert will also be replaced with 50% funding from the county. Don has applied for a 2017 LRIP grant for \$47,000 for the South Bluemound Rd. project.

Fire Department Report

Warren Stanke gave the 2015 Fire Department annual report. The Fire Department responded to 41 calls in 2015 (a decrease of 5 calls). There were 1140 hours on duty (a 435 hour increase over 2015). Total training, work night, and other activity hours for 2015 were 4339 hours (a 13% increase of 559 hours over 2015). Of those hours, 15 were spent providing safety crews for the Dodge County Fair and 40 hours were spent providing a safety team for the Theresa Lions Tractor Pull. The department had over 113 training opportunities that included fire, rescue and special practices. Fire prevention activities included 3 station tours. Two schools were visited during Fire Prevention Week. The annual hose test was conducted in spring and the ladder testing was done in fall. Pump testing was done in June with both engines passing with some minor repairs. The department membership stands at 52 consisting of 29 active members and 23 honorary members.

Ambulance Service Report

Darryl Koll read the Ambulance Service report submitted by Kevin Baerwald of Theresa EMS. The Theresa Ambulance Service ran 247 calls in 2015 (a decrease of 8 calls over 2014). Currently, there are 9 EMT Intermediate Techs, 3 EMT Basics, 11 Drivers, 4 EMT students, and 2 EMT intermediate students. The service added Mike Elack as a full-time EMT. Two others were added as part time to fill in the day time coverage. The current roster total is 29. The new ambulance was put in service in early 2015. It is a 2015 Ford F450 4X4 chassis with air ride. The ambulance traveled a total of 8,541 miles. Baerwald feels this is one of the best EMS services he's worked with in his 32 year career. If anyone is interested in a tour of the ambulance feel free to contact anyone on the service.

Library Report

The Theresa Public Library 2015 annual report was given by Diane Steger. The library had a circulation of 18,590 items. There were 70 programs offered with 1586 adults participating, 58 teens participating, and 375 children. There were 1848 computer users and 80 Wii users. The library had new lighting installed in 2015. They will be doing some fund-raising events including a silent auction starting May 2nd. Director Mary Alice Bodden and assistants Patti Kriewald and Jackie Zurawski continue to do an excellent job of running the library.

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County Supervisor Report

County Supervisor Gerry Adelmeyer gave a short report.

Plaque Presentation to Carl Benter and Melvin Unglaub

Chairman Christian presented a plaque to Carl Benter in appreciation of his forty years of dedicated service on the Theresa Ambulance Committee. Carl had served on the committee since it was formed in 1976 and served as chairman for many of those years. Chairman Christian also presented a plaque to Melvin Unglaub in appreciation of over fifty years of service to the Town. Melvin was a town treasurer, helped plow snow and grade shoulders, and cut grass among other things. He also served as an election inspector and worked every election for many, many years.

Other Business

The next annual meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at 8:00 p.m. Carl Benter made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Darryl Koll. The meeting was duly adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Diane Steger, Clerk