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MINUTES ANNUAL ELECTOR MEETING: APRIL 10, 2007

The Jim Wendt, outgoing chairman, opened the Annual Elector Meeting at 7:00 P.M. There were 21 registered voters and 1 visitor present.

Board members present: Peggy Nimz, Lee Christensen, John Vojta, Fred Radtke, Todd Wiese, Marion Janssen, Town Treasurer, Tom Martens, Town Clerk.

The clerk handed out the 2006 Financial Statements.

Mr. Wendt asked if there were any questions from the floor.

Mary Platner asked why the financial statement only showed \$125 for dog licenses. The clerk explained that the \$125 was the difference in the \$516 collected and the \$391 sent to the county treasurer.

Verdelle Mauthe asked how a new heating system for the Community Center would be financed. Mr. Wendt explained that the new town board would have to decide, first of all, if a new heating system was necessary. There have been several different opinions.

Fred Radtke asked if the town had an appraisal of the town property and the golf course. Mr. Wendt stated that the only values were those assigned by the insurance company. David Zielinski asked if the town kept a book entry of the town's assets. The clerk explained that until the town's population reached 2500, the town's bookkeeping system was disbursements and receipts. After the population reaches 2500 the bookkeeping system becomes assets and liabilities such as are used by an accountant.

Charles Vogel asked the status of the Housing Authority buildings. He wanted to know when they would be paid off. He also wanted to know if once the buildings were paid off, could they be rented out as a regular rental. Mr. Wendt and the rest of the board did not know when the buildings would be paid off or if they could be rented.

Tim Ebert asked why the phone service at the transfer station cost so much. Mr. Wendt noted that the attendant could only make local calls. The charges are for the basic monthly service.

Motion Fred Radtke seconded Pat Falkenstern that the town board be authorized to borrow \$150,000 for road reconstruction. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. Ms. Nimz explained that the Public Works Committee has categorized the town roads. The Juve Road from Hwy. 155 to Four Corner Lane, the Four Corner Road from Juve Road to Hwy. G, Lost Lake Drive North, and Sunrise Lane are the 5.18 miles that are scheduled for reconstruction. The cost will be approximately \$100,000 per mile. Another \$100,000 will have to be spent on chip-sealing several other roads.

Verdelle Mauthe asked about the \$10,000 in bad tax checks in the financial statement. The clerk noted that those were tax checks that had been returned. The taxes are eventually collected either as postponed or delinquent taxes.

Motion Charles Vogel that the town board be authorized to spend \$60,000 for the demolition of the Red Brick Schoolhouse. The motion died for lack of a second.

Motion Pat Falkenstern seconded Ellen Allen that the town have an independent audit of the golf course. Mr. Wendt asked those in favor to stand. There were 7 votes in favor. Mr. Wendt then asked those opposed to stand. There were 11 votes against. Motion failed.

Motion Ellen Allen that the town board open the Red Brick Schoolhouse for the Centennial activities this summer. Mr. Wendt explained that Ms. Allen should just come

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to a town board meeting to ask that the school be opened. There was no action on the motion.

Mary Platner asked what the town board's position would be on the proposed ATV trail on State land. Mr. Wendt said that the DNR would be asking for public input. Jim Shoemaker stated that the DNR board would be making a decision by the end of the month. Motion Fred Radtke seconded Jim Shoemaker that the Town of St. Germain prohibit the use of ATV's on town roads. Mr. Wendt asked all in favor to stand. There were 14 votes in favor. Mr. Wendt then asked all opposed to stand. There were 6 votes against. Motion carried.

Since this is the town's centennial year, the clerk read a few excerpts from the minutes of the first Annual Elector Meeting that was held in the Juve Schoolhouse at the corner of the Juve Road and Moon Road on April 2, 1907.

Motion Fred Radtke seconded Mary Platner that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned 7:50 P.M.

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Chairman

Supervisor

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