The Beetown monthly meeting was held on **November 9th, 2023** at 6:00 pm at the Beetown Town Hall.

Present were Chairman Darwin Anderson, Supervisors Bart Breuer, and Gary Mumm, Clerk Lisa Ellis, Treasurer Sue Mumm. Residents at Large where: Diane VonBergen, Kevin Clauer, Tom Schneider, Mark Hoehne.

The meeting was opened at 6:00 by Chairman Darwin Anderson. The agenda was posted on the Town Website, USPS, Feed Mill and at the Town Hall on 11-3-23.

Residents time to discuss concerns: Kevin Clauer discussed wages for patrolman and part-time patrolman. Wants to make sure they are getting enough pay. We will check into proper procedure and proper time to give raises. A motion was made and 2nd to add to our December meeting.

Patrolman’s report: Read by Gary. Fall clean-up went well. Next year the hours will be 8:00 am until noon. Port-a-potty is gone. Code to the side door at hall needs to be changed. Bailey’s came out and dug up culverts that got buried on Atkinson Rd. Gary needs help getting the wings on trucks.

Clerks report: Lisa read the bills paid. Debits were $219,703.48, credits were $1082.56, and money transferred from Contingency fund to regular checking was $134,216.85 to pay Iverson’s bill. Lisa also read the minutes. A motion was made and 2nd to approve each one.

Treasurers report: Sue read the report and as of 10-31-23, statement balance was $48,856.56 and as of 11-9-23, after bills were paid, there was a bank balance of $18,876.50.

\*Sunday church: Mark Hoehne offered to pay us $100.00 monthly for use of the Hall. He will get his T.V. hung and will get the lock code changed.

\*Tom Schneider: His new bar isn’t ready and no inspections done yet. He can’t get vendors signed up to do work until he gets his bartenders license, and we can’t give him a license until inspections are done. He will keep us posted.

\*ITC road updates: Tim Green picked up release forms. Total project is $3070.00. This covered patrolman’s time, cold patch and gravel for the 1.5 years they were there. Gary had Fahrner do a quote for single seal overlay for 11.55 miles of road for next spring. Quote was $302,957.00. Total road damage is $306,027.00. This was approved and will be sending us a check. Gary talked to Kerry. He said he will accept and honor this year’s price. Kerry suggested that we dig up 4 bad spots this fall, 3 on Pigeon Rd and 1 on Grant River Rd. Bailey is available and we will get gravel from J&N Stone.

\*Plow truck update: Gary called Tom, he says there is no update.

\*Board member working for township issues: Under the old law, limit was $5000.00 for part-time employees. Current law limit is $15,000.00 for part-time employees.

\*Bond for treasurer. An exemption form was signed that waives the bond for treasurer.

\*Patrolman applications: We have received applications for this position. Interviews will be started after November 14th.

\*Sharon Bontreger handed in her resignation for deputy clerk. A motion was made and 2nd to approve.

\*Operator’s license: Jessica Busken applied for operator’s license for Valley Pub. A motion was made and 2nd to approve.

\*EMS services: tabled until December meeting.

\*New business:

Private work. Pipestone bill will be mailed. We will cover damages from Destiny Pauls accident from 2022.

LRIP funding. We will be receiving about $18,000 from Shortcut Road project. We will need to start paperwork for new projects to use that money. Would like to replace 18” tube on Porter Bridge Rd, by Ronnie Taylor’s, with a 3’ tube and move the fiberoptic cable so we can ditch it. The application needs to be done by January 15th 2024. Motion was made and 2nd to get paperwork started.

Darwin said there is about $488,000.00 from a previous LRIP project (Diamond Grove Rd) that was completed 2 years ago, but didn’t receive the money yet. He will look into transferring that money to another project. Possibly use it to finish University Farm Rd with overlay.

Rick Mayne on Shortcut Rd has a pile of logs beside the road. Will be a problem this winter with snow drifting. Gary will ask him if he will move them.

The monthly meeting for next month was set for December 7th at 6pm.

A motion was made and 2nd to adjourn meeting at 6:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Lisa Ellis – Clerk

A **motion** was made, 2nd and carried on: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_to approve the minutes as read.