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## TOWN OF NEW RICHMOND

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### Minutes of the Meeting

March 2, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Board Members Present, President Luke Martin, Council Member Minnie Howard, Council Member Carmine Azzato (present over the phone), Clerk/Treasurer Alaathea Foust, Attorney Rob Reimondo and Town Marshal Jeremy Minor.

Alaathea Foust Clerk/Treasurer presented approval for Minutes of Public Hearing on February 2, 2021 at 6:30 p.m., Minnie H. made the motion to approve the minutes, Carmine A. seconded the motion, Luke M. called for a vote, motion carried.

Alaathea Foust Clerk/Treasurer presented approval for Minutes of Work Session on February 4, 2021 at 10:00 a.m., Minnie H. made the motion to approve the minutes, Carmine A. seconded the motion, Luke M. called for a vote, motion carried.

### **Amendments/Additions to Agenda:**

**Streets/Maintenance:** Luke M. said he is working on picnic table for the park.

**Water/Sewer:** Earl Heide not present.

**Town Marshal:** Jeremy Minor said after some research of surrounding town, he would like to request a pay raise of \$20.00 an hour and hire a reserve officers at \$17.00 an hour. After some discussion Minnie H. made the motion to approve the pay raise from \$17.00 to \$20.00 an hour for the Town Marshal, Carmine A. seconded the motion, Luke M. called for a vote, motion carried.

Alaathea F. said she will need to look at the finance for hiring the reserve officer so that the Town Council can make an informative decision. The Town Council table the Reserve Officer until next meeting.

Jeremy M. asked permission to get the monitoring system installed into the police car and did not know what it will cost. The equipment was purchased by the Montgomery County and needs to be installed. Minnie H. made the motion to get it installed, Carmine A. seconded to motion, Luke M. called for a vote, motion carried.

**Clerk/Treasurer:** Alaathea F. presented Accounts Payable Voucher Register for March 2, 2021 to the Board, Minnie H. made the motion to approve the APV Register, Carmine A. seconded the motion, Luke M. called for a vote, motion carried.

Alaathea F. presented the bank reconcilements for January 2021.

Alaathea F. presented the Board with up-to-date Fund Report, Appropriation Report and Revenue Report.

Alaathea F. said Rebecca Scott has informed her she will work on a contract, for the Town, for keeping track of the necessary reporting to LTAP for streets projects and updates, for the next meeting.

### **Old Business:**

**Bids for 2021 Street Project:** Alaathea F. was asked to open the bids and read them aloud.

Fox Paving & Construction - \$41,875.00

Rieth-Riley Construction - \$48,900.00

Milestone Contractors - \$64,600.00

Minnie H. made the motion to approve Fox Paving & Construction bid for the street project, Carmine A. seconded the motion, Luke M. called for a vote, motion carried.

**Animal Welfare League Contract for 2021:** After some discussion the Minnie H. made to motion to not except the contract, Carmine A. seconded the motion, Luke M. called for a vote, motion carried.

**Fire Station roof:** Luke M. said we did have a contractor from Big Boy Construction come out to give an estimate on the Fire Station roof, the estimate was \$94,935.00 for both roofs. There are a lot of issues with the fire station roof from the poor workmanship of Roof Masters. We will get other estimates.

Rob Reimondo gave an update on the case against Roof Masters, we file a judgement against them in the amount of \$5170.24, back in 2020 we filed a contempt of court, in February 2021 the Judge ruled in our favor and charged Roof Masters an attorney fee of \$450.00 and that they had to pay within 180 days.

**New Richmond Old Park on Osage Street:** Carmine A. said that he has talked to Home Depot and Town & Country about donating lumber for the picnic table and benches they want him to check back in the spring. Carmine A. said the surrounding neighbors will help with any labor that needs done. Carmine A. asked Roger Kunkel if he could donate the flag pole and concrete for the flag pole at the Old Park. Roger K. said the Township could do that.

**New Business:**

**Public Hearing on Animal Ordinance 2021-1.** Alaathea F. said the ordinance has been published for the Public hearing and the Adoption to follow on March 9, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. at the New Richmond Fire station.

**Resolution 2021-1 Clerk/Treasurer Duties:** Copies of the Resolution was handed out to all that were present. Minnie H. made the motion to approve Resolution 2021-1, Carmine A. seconded the motion, Luke M. called for a vote, motion carried.

**Public Comments:**

Darren Foreman gave a report for the Coal Creek Fire Department.

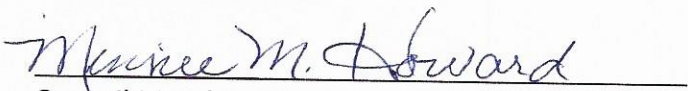
Roger Kunkel said the gates where the generator is at the Fire Station needs to be fixed and more secure.

Shelly Wulfers asked about the street signs that address North, South, East and West up town. The Council said there has not been anything done with this yet.

Minnie H. made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Luke M. seconded the motion, Luke M. called for a vote, motion carried.

  
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President Luke Martin

  
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Attest: Clerk/Treasurer Alaathea Foust

  
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Council Member Minnie Howard

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Council Member Carmine Azzato