
TOWN OF NEW RICHMOND

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Minutes of Special Meeting

September 20, 2021 at 10:30 a.m.

Roll Call: Board Members Present, President Luke Martin, Council Member Minnie Howard, Attorney Rob Reimondo and Clerk/Treasurer Alaathea Foust. Carmine Azzato was not present. Dale Jones and Darren Foreman from the Coal Creek Fire and Rescue.

Fire Station Roof: Alaathea F. said the Town Council decided after they agreed to and signed the contract with All American Exteriors to request that the roof contractor get a performance bond. I have an invoice from All American Exteriors for the performance bond in the amount of \$544.00. Minnie H. made the motion to approve paying the \$544.00, Luke M. seconded the motion, Luke M. called for a vote, Motion carried.

Luke M. said the All-American Exteriors want 70% of Labor & Rental in the amount of \$12,684.04. Luke M. said they are about 80% done with the job. Minnie H. said that she would be good with paying the \$12,684.04. Luke M. said he would be willing to do 50%. After some discussion Minnie H. made the motion to approve paying 60% of the contract, Luke M. seconded the motion, Luke M. called for a vote, motion carried.

Alaathea F. said we received a refund from the materials in the amount of \$1180.20, the roof project did not use as much materials as they thought they would.

Alaathea F. said there may or may not be extra cost for the delay in the roof project due to the materials from Indiana Metals. All American Exteriors said the material company had made about five pieces wrong are unable to close the roof completely, they are working on getting the pieces as soon as possible, in the mean time they will close up the roof to keep the rain out. Indiana Metals had two months to make sure the materials were correct, if there are any extra cost on the project Indiana Metals should be held responsible for it. Luke M. said we will table this discussion until we know if there will be any extra cost to the roof.

Coal Creek Fire & Rescue contract for 2022: Luke M. asked Alaathea to talk about this, Alaathea F. said the Town Council does not want to renew the contract with Coal Creek Fire & Rescue, they would like to pass it on to the Coal Creek Township to take over the decisions and financial responsibility. Alaathea F. said I have a Resolution for the Township and an Ordinance for the Town of New Richmond that the Town of Linden used to turn over the responsibility to their Township. Luke M. said that does not mean the Town of New Richmond is going to lose their fire department, it just means the Township is responsible for it. Darren Foreman Fire Chief confirmed that the Fire Department would not be leaving.


Dale Jones from the Coal Creek Fire & Rescue board asked about the propane cost and Darren Foreman asked about making minor changes to the fire bay without consulting the Town Council. Luke M. said we can look into setting up an agreement on those things.

Luke M. said the existing furnace in the fire station has a crack in the heat chamber and was advised not to turn the heat on until it is fixed or a new furnace installed. To fix it cost \$2,443.00 and a new furnace is \$3,317.00. Minnie H. made the motion to put in a new furnace, Luke M. seconded to motion, Luke M. called for a vote, motion carried.

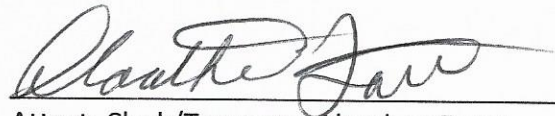
Alaatha F. had asked the Town Council if they have consider selling the building to the Fire Department, the current community room is too small for some of the Town events that we have had in the past. Would the Fire department be interested in purchasing the building? Luke M. said that he would like to have a discussion with the Coal Creek Township on some of these matters. After some discussion there were no decisions made.

After much discussion Rob Reimondo told the Town Council that they needed to make a decision on the Coal Creek Fire & Rescue contract. Minnie H. made the motion to not renew the contract for 2022, Luke M. seconded the motion, Luke M. called for a vote, motion carried.

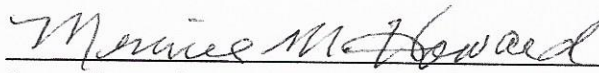
Minnie H. made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Luke M. seconded the motion, Luke M. called for a vote, motion carried.




President Luke Martin



Attest: Clerk/Treasurer Alaatha Foust



Council Member Minnie Howard

~~Not Present~~


Council Member Carmine Azzato