Town of Wood River

Regular Board Meeting January 8, 2025 Joel Johnson Mike Chell Gilbert Meyer Marjean Legler Laura McKeag Tyler Ullman others in attendance

Chairman Joel Johnson called the meeting to order 6:30pm

1. Pledge of allegiance was recited

2. Mike Chell made a motion to approve the agenda seconded by Gilbert Meyer, carried.

3. Motion was made by Gilbert Meyer to approve the January Regular Board Meeting minutes as well as the caucus minutes, seconded by Mike Chell, carried.

4. **Treasure's Report**: there is \$1,267,409.77 in the operating account, \$37,972.45 in the CD and \$67,532.31 in the Money Market account and the cemetery savings \$2,876.38 Mike Chell moved to accept the Treasurer's report as read, seconded by, Gilbert Meyer carried.

5. **Clerk Communications:** Clerk reports normal clerk duties happening! Preparing for the election on the 18th.

6. **Maintenance Report**: Tyler stated the one ton has been fixed. The transmission in the grader will have to be watched closely as the fluid test was full of debris. There was a problem with a sensor on the Western Star and that also has been fixed. The Town of Grantsburg and Wood River have traded plowing of Phantom Lake Trail for part of Crosstown

7. **Fire Report Gilbert Meyer:** The meeting was held December 30 2024. Last year to date there were 166 calls this year to date is at 199, many of which are lift assist. Cory is going to try to get it changed from them being the first ones called for lift assist etc. to the 3rd one to be called. There are 18 on the roster with one to retire soon.

8. **Chairman's report:** Joel attended the WTA meeting in January, AgRip was discussed as well as an ambulance report.

9. Public Comments: none

10. **Chainsaw training:** Mike Chel motioned to send Tyler to chainsaw training on the 25th Gilbert Meyer seconded, carried.

11. Fee Schedule: moved to next month

12. **5-year review:** there will be some changes made to the 5-year road plan and work on N. Fork bridge will need to be discussed.

13. **Entry heater:** Joel will call Brandon Peterson at East Refuge Electric to put the entry heater on a thermostat.

14. **Identify agenda items for the next meeting:** Fee schedule, date for the road tour, road plan

15. **Audit bills and sign disbursements:** Mike Chell motioned to pay bills, seconded by Gilbert Meyer, carried. Bills were audited and paid.

16. Adjourn: 7:30 p.m.

Minutes of closed session: Gilbert Meyer made the motion to hire Faylene Swanson to begin training for the treasurer job at a rate of \$15/hr. and taking over the position on April 15 at the current treasurer's pay.