

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING  
TOWN OF MARION  
NOVEMBER 29, 2024**

1. **Call to Order:** Steve Peer, Chairman, called the special meeting to discuss and/or act on the purchase of a truck for snow plowing to order at 8:31 a.m. on November 29, 2024.
2. **Roll Call:** Present at the meeting were: Steve Peer, Chairman; Bob Frey, Supervisor; Jerrod Waterman, Supervisor and Judi Boughton, Clerk.
3. **Citizens:** Citizen at the meeting was Bob Waterman.
4. **Posting of Meeting Notice:** The meeting notice and agenda were posted at the town shop and the town website on Wednesday, November 27, 2024.

**Discuss and/or Act on Purchasing Truck for Plowing Snow:** This special meeting was called to order because the town currently only has one plow truck and is in need of purchasing another truck for plowing snow this winter. Jerrod located a 554 Ford pickup 4x4 with a dump but no sander in St. Cloud, Minnesota. It has a big enough alternator and dual batteries, but we would need to add a sander. The truck Jerrod found is municipality-owned with Ziebart undercoating, is rust free, a 2012, 50,000 miles and runs well. They are asking \$44,900 on website, has a 10-foot blade and a 30-day warranty.

Bob found a truck from the City of Sun Prairie, 2-wheel drive. The auction for that is over on the 3<sup>rd</sup>. He thinks it will get us by until we get a better truck. Has an 11-foot plow and wing blade. Would need a CDL to operate.

Jerrell Sazama also found a Dodge truck for \$50,000 that looks like a good truck and is closer than the one in Minnesota.

Discussed the township not being able to find anyone to plow snow that has a CDL. Bob said boys not interested in driving but he could plow until we find someone. Discussed the fact that a CDL is not necessary for the pickup 4-wheel drive with plow and that Tom Haile would be able to plow snow with it.

Steve is for the truck that does not need a CDL and said if Jerrod had time, he would be for him checking it out. Steve said Tom would be willing to plow snow for \$20 per hour and working for \$16 per hour in the summer.

Bob suggested putting \$45,000 towards a newer truck. A newer truck will cost around \$124,000.

Jerrod suggested going with the pickup and said in the spring of the year when the ground gets soft it would be beneficial because it doesn't beat the sides of the road as much.

Steve made a motion to look at the truck in Minnesota or the one Jerrell found and go ahead and purchase if it looks like a good truck. Jerrod seconded the motion.

5. **Adjournment:** Steve made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 a.m. Jerrod seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Judith A. Boughton, Clerk