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**Mission Statement:**  
The Harris Town Board strives to enhance the quality of life, protect the environment, and maintain economic stability for the residents of their community.

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**November 28, 2022**

**Work Session Re: ElderCircle, AT&T-Verizon, Paul Bunyan, Land Sale, Isleview Road  
Harris Town Road-Wendigo Park  
5:30 pm Town Hall**

**Present:** Madam Chair Peggy Clayton, Supervisors Schack, Davies, Gilbert & Kelley

**Pledge** to the Flag was conducted.

#### **ElderCircle**

Chair Clayton has not obtained any update/additional information from ElderCircle, relative to the November 4, 2022 meeting with ElderCircle at the hall.

#### **Paul Bunyan**

Chair Clayton advised the board that all is working with Paul Bunyan and ICTV live streaming of board meetings at the town hall. The additional 3 locations will be completed in the spring.

Chair Clayton discovered that the phone in the office is going directly to the fax on the copier. She did contact Paul Bunyan and they will set up the phone (under Paul Bunyan) for \$25 per month. Chair Clayton has received paperwork regarding set up, and will complete, and send it in.

#### **AT&T – Verizon**

Chair Clayton reviewed the information that she received from Verizon regarding the public safety/frontline plan, and stated it is comparable with what AT&T offers with FirstNet. Both offer the \$39.99 costs for phones, provide free phones, etc. The current phone plan through Verizon for the three employees with cell phones is approx. \$48 per month per phone. The phones being offered at \$39.99, including tax, would be approx. \$46, which is a difference of \$2.00. AT&T would provide the iPhone 12, while Verizon has 4 choices in phones (iPhone, Samsung, Motorola and Kyocera).

Chair Clayton stated that Verizon offers a trade-in at 12 months, while AT&T has a trade in 18 months. In speaking with the Verizon Rep, Chair Clayton was advised that if supervisors wanted their personal cell phones connected to the public safety program, they could not do it without placing their phones under the billing auspice of the township. As per Verizon, that service is strictly for municipalities with regard to public safety, and cannot be done on personal cell phones. AT&T Rep. states that that public safety service can be added to personal cell phones, without adding them to the billing auspice of the township, with approval of the township board. Discussion followed.

It was decided that Chair Clayton will follow up with another phone call to the AT&T Rep to verify information. The board also decided that because the three employee cellular phones are iPhone 12s, there would be no cost savings to the township on trading them in now. It was further decided to wait until such time that the Township is ready to upgrade employee cell phones, and review the public safety service at that time.

### **Isleview Road**

Chair Clayton advised the board that all pertinent information, signed petition, etc. has been completed and turned over to the Office of Administrative Hearings. Attorney Shaw stated that they (OAH) do not need any further information, therefore, Attorney Shaw is waiting to receive the final signed and approved paperwork.

### **Harris Town Road-Wendigo Park Road**

Chair Clayton has spoken with Karin Grandia Transportation Director. Karen is waiting for the results from the road count from DOT. The information has not been received. When Karin receives that information, she will be in contact with the Chair.

### **Land Sale**

Chair Clayton received two offers on the parcels of land. Offer information was provided to the board. Both parties were invited to attend and meet with the board. One party was unavailable. Both offers made, did include detailed information as to what their plan would be, with regard to the parcel of land purchase. One of the offers was for parcel #1, at the minimum accepted bid of \$44,900. The second offer was \$52,000 for parcel number 1, and that party was interested in purchasing more than one parcel. Further discussion held. Because the second party was not sure which two parcels they wanted to purchase, the board decided to hold off until that party decides (which 2 parcels they want to purchase), as that decision may possibly affect the other offer. The board will make a decision on the parcel sale after December 14, 2022.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Supervisor Kelly and second added by Supervisor Davies to adjourn the meeting at 7:00pm.

Submitted by:

  
Peggy Clayton, Interim Clerk

  
Peggy Clayton, Chair