Village of New Richmond

Public Works

January 8, 2024

Attendees: Glen Ewing, Mayor - Jon Tharpe, Chair - Richard Feldkamp, Councilman - Ryan Woodruff, Councilman - Bob Lindhorst, Interim Administrator

Guest: Kelley Snider, Clerk of Council

The meeting commenced at 6:45 pm.

Jon Tharpe thanked Kelley Snider for the ongoing communication with the public regarding billing and recent installation of new meters, holiday trash service and other public works matters. Kelly has performed well in posting to the public through social media.

Attendees and councilman discussed the condition of our fleet and amount of salt needed for winter weather events. Bob Lindhorst stated that we are prepared for winter weather.

Bob Lindhorst brought up the idea of the village owning or leasing a mini excavator to streamline the services provided by our water & street department. Councilman Tharpe agreed to seek out opportunities and leads to lease this equipment.

Ryan Woodruff initiated a conversation about the possibility of utilizing community service programs for roadside cleanup and stated that other municipalities have had success with this. All attendees like this idea and agreed to investigate this program.

Kelly Snider addressed the river gauge sign that needs repair or replacement. Kelley stated that an offer has been made to repair the sign by a business or resident. An estimate was received by Bob Lindhorst and several approaches are being looked at. The timing of this repair is being investigated as equipment may need to drive on the beach below to repair/replace the sign.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.