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Town of Arcadia Minutes of Special Board Meeting Monday, November 10, 2014 at 7:30 a.m.

The board meeting was called to order by Chairman Ronald Tuschner at 7:43 a.m. Open meeting certifications were met. Roll call was taken. Board members present: Chairman Ronald Tuschner and Supervisor Michael Chitko. Several attempts were made to contact Ivan Pronschinske by telephone, but the attempts were unsuccessful. Also present was Marlys Kolstad.

A motion was made by M. Chitko and seconded by R. Tuschner to adopt the agenda. The motion was carried unanimously with a voice vote.

Application to United States Environmental Protection Agency to designate City of Arcadia landfill as a Brownfield site and Application to United States Environmental Protection Agency for grant to identify plume of contamination associated with City of Arcadia landfill

R. Tuschner stated that at the joint meeting last Thursday he noticed some red flags at the question and answer portion of the meeting. His questions were not answered directly, an example was the hedge company that made the purchase; there was no notification of when this was done; he felt blindsided by the fact that he knew of the topic, but had no background information; was not prepared to make a decision that night; the questions were not answered fully; the threat made by Mayor Kimmel on annexation was inappropriate; and there was no prep. work given before the meeting. M. Chitko stated that he felt the same; only heard of the possible contamination 45 days prior; the City of Arcadia owned the land and it had been annexed; agreed with R. Tuschner's feelings of J. Kimmel's remark; no homework to be able to make a decision; looking for other solutions; and appreciated the Town of Arcadia to be informed because of the potential affect on our constituents. R. Tuschner again spoke of the Town residents, possible contaminants, and no notification. The Town and City need to share information in matters that obligate both entities. He has requested such meetings; have had one; and requested more, but nothing has happened yet. We need to work together. R. Tuschner spoke of I. Pronschinske's comments that he had made previously about events that happened 40 years ago, burning, burying, and not liking the idea of what is there. R. Tuschner is looking into the question of the Town ever having permission to use the City landfill. He has contacted a law firm out of Eau Claire. They stated that if you sue one you sue all, if there is a lawsuit. They are checking on liability, financial, and physical ramifications which will take some time. He stated that we are not dissatisfied with the Town's attorney, but it is the same law firm that the City uses. M. Chitko stated that he emailed John Herzog and requested information, but has not received a reply yet. R. Tuschner would like more information on other Green Alliance Holdings projects. He requested the legal opinion from the attorney to be an official document. M. Chitko felt that he did not have enough information to make a decision. He will work with the City, but not without information. R.

Tuschner stated that an intergovernmental document was needed. M. Chitko asked if Trempealeau County was aware of this. R. Tuschner spoke of a previous clean-up fund; checking on other sources; not knowing of all the contaminants; and that Green Alliance Holdings doesn't even know what all of the contaminants are. M. Chitko spoke of the Green Alliance Holdings and some information on Calumet City. He is looking for more information; will make a decision as soon as the City can give sufficient information; and that we have the same information as the City has. R. Tuschner agreed that we need all of the information. There was no need to continue this meeting due to lack of information and I. Pronschinske had not responded to the phone messages to join the meeting.

R. Tuschner adjourned the meeting at 8:14 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Beth Killian
Town of Arcadia Clerk