

TOWN OF PORTERFIELD
Annual Electors' Meeting

TUESDAY, April 19, 2022

Chairperson Dennis Bergeson called the annual meeting to order at 6:00 PM with 19 in attendance. The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag. The past minutes from April 20, 2021 were read. Tom Buelteman made a motion to approve the minutes as read. It was seconded by Wade Larsen. All were in favor, no one opposed – minutes approved.

Residents reviewed the Town of Porterfield 2021 financial statement. Total income for 2021 was \$3,249,436.52. Jerry Scott made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Wade Larsen seconded the motion. All were in favor, no one opposed - report approved.

Rob Hanneman gave the 2021 financials for the Grover-Porterfield Fire Department. Total income was \$170,786.56 and total expenses were \$168,571.68. The department responded to 148. The Fire Department hosted other departments as well as their own in a structural fire training at the Dura home. Major purchase for the year was a new fire engine expected for delivery late in 2023 or 2024 (\$423,686). The department currently has 40 members and one cadet that just started with the department. There is a new Chief, Dan Klemik and Assistant Chief, Rob Hanneman.

Supervisor I, Audrey Guseck, wrote up a recap of the projects from 2021, which includes the following:

Three new homes for 2021

Sold Forklift (\$860.00) Sold Bucket (\$1,400.00) Sold Forks (\$480.00)

Joe Evancheck appointed to the Fire Commission to replace Dan Brissette

Winesville Cemetery: Chairperson Kim Witte, Karen Prange, and Ken Vista painted the shed and planted trees with more to come. Weeds were cut, weed killer applied, and the front of the head stones were cleaned. Panske-Trim-A-Tree was hired for tree removal, stump grinding, topsoil and seeding (\$1,500.00). Kim and Dave Witte purchased and installed flags at cemetery. Thank you to the committee for taking such good care of our cemetery!

Five-year road plan: (not in any order) River Drive, Peters Road, Jacobson Road, Schwalla Road, Phillips Road, and the North end of Bagley. Richlen's were hired to scarify, compact, and grade Bagley Road (\$5,506.00). Bagley Road and Panske Road were paved and shouldered by Northeast Asphalt (Bagley \$132,649.15 and Panske \$184,071.65). ATV and UTV routes on parts of County Road E & G opened up. County G is open for traffic from 200 feet west of Highway 180 until Bagley Road and County E is open 700 feet North of Highway 64 until Rowe Road

Purchased 2013 International plow truck (\$63,500.00) Sold 2001 International plow truck (\$4,568.00)

Culverts replaced on Winesville Road (1), River Drive (2), and the North end of Bagley was chip sealed to prevent deterioration.

Discontinued Stub Road.

The town changed from 3 to 4 wards.

As of February 1, 2022 the town will no longer accept construction materials, remodeling materials, mattresses, furniture and carpeting at the recycling center (decided in Nov. 2021). Residents can take these items to MARCO.

Carl Geller stepped down as Animal Control Officer and Wade Larsen was hired to fill the position.

Sue Bayer stepped down as recycling coordinator and the end of 2021 and Jeff Grabowski was appointed to the position.

Per State Statutes election inspectors were appointed and sworn in.

The Town received ARPA money \$102,575.18 and \$97,338.69 for a total of \$199,913.87

Supervisor II, Don Limberg, gave a summary of possible future projects for 2022-2023, which are as follows:

We left some roads with gravel on them. One of those roads was one mile of Weidner Road. This year we will double chip seal it. We might have to add some gravel, we will see when we are ready to seal coat it. We would put 2 inches of gravel on the road if needed as well as grade the road if needed.

Limestone 1300 Tons	\$ 9,100.00
Grade	\$ 1,000.00
Trucking roughly 65 loads	\$ 6,500.00
Double Chip Seal	\$25,000.00
Total about 1 mile	\$41,000.00

The big project for the roadwork will be River Drive. We will scarify and grade the road, adding about 2600 tons of limestone, that is about 130 truckloads. We will pave and do the shoulders.

Scarify	\$ 4,000.00
Limestone	\$ 18,200.00
Trucking	\$ 13,000.00
Grading	\$ 2,000.00
Pave and Shoulder	\$110,000.00
Total 1 mile	\$147,200.00

Another project will be Nettleton West - Limestone and grade. We put 4" of limestone on it and grade.

Limestone 2600 tons	\$18,200.00
Trucking 130 loads	\$13,000.00
Grading	\$ 2,000.00
Total 1 mile	\$33,200.00

Winesville Road West is another project that we will tackle.

Scarifying and grade	\$4,000.00
4" of limestone (about 2600 ton)	\$18,200.00
Trucking 130 loads	\$13,000.00
Grading	\$ 2,000.00
Total 1 mile	\$41,200.00

Sequin Road scarify and grade 1 mile from Highway 180 to the railroad tracks.

Scarify and grade	\$ 4,000.00
2600 tons of Limestone	\$ 18,200.00
Trucking 130 Loads	\$ 13,000.00

Grading	\$ 2,000.00
Pave and Shoulder	\$110,000.00
Total	\$147,200.00
2022-2023 Road Budget	\$482,000.00
Total estimate of road projects	\$409,800.00
Money left	\$ 72,200.00

The money left will be used for crack-sealing, buying salt and sand for the winter of 2022, brush cutting, mowing grass, and patching roads.

Other roads taken and talked about were the other mile of Sequin Road, Jacobson Road, and Peters Road. We will add to the list after our road tour. I am sure we will find some more roads to do next year. I feel the Town Board did a good job in selecting the roads to be done. As always, we will see where the money is at. Some of the roads we will have to change out some culverts and put poly double wall culverts in. We have some bad roads with cracks and will get those taken care of also by Fahrner or whoever is able to do it. We will patch roads and put gravel on where needed. The Town Crew will replace signs that were stolen or are missing and cut brush and mow grass as needed on town roads.

Some good things coming out of ARPA – we will have air conditioning put in the Town Hall and also have a new 18 KW Generac Generator installed in the very near future.

Jerry Scott made a motion to hold the 2023 Annual Meeting on the third Tuesday in April which is April 18, 2023 at 6:00 PM. Scott Anderson seconded the motion. All in favor, no one opposed – motion approved.

Jerry Scott made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 PM. Howard King seconded the motion. All in favor, no one opposed – meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Linstad, Clerk