

2017 Annual Meeting Minutes for 2018 Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting in and for the Town of Dovre, Barron County was held at 7:00 PM on Tuesday April 18, 2017 at the Dovre Town Hall located at 304 25 ½ Street. Eighteen (18) Dovre Electors were present plus guests – Names filed in Clerk/Treasurer’s office.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Dean Trowbridge at 7:00 PM.

Pledge of allegiance

1. Election of meeting chairperson: Per State Statute 60.13 Chairman Trowbridge will be overseeing the meeting
2. Discuss and vote on preferred voting method: Motion by Steve Coon second by Dan North to vote by hand. Motion carried with unanimous yes vote – 12 – yes; 0 – no.
3. Swear in elected officials: The new supervisors elected at the April 4, 2017 spring election were sworn in by Clerk/Treasurer Kelly Phillips. Term of office begins April 18, 2017 – April 15, 2019
 - a. Chairman Dean Trowbridge (third term)
 - b. Supervisor 1 Al Nyhagen (second term)
 - c. Supervisor 2 Dan North (third term)
4. Reading of the 2016 annual meeting minutes: Chairman Trowbridge asked the electors if they would like to read the minutes to themselves or have them read aloud. Motion by Dan North second by Steve Coon to read the minutes to themselves. Motion carried with unanimous yes vote – 10 – yes; 0 – no.
5. Presentations and five minute Q&A
 - a. Chieftain Sand and Proppant Barron
 - i. Jeff Goldsmith from Chieftain Sand presented a look back at 2016; safety – no recordable injuries and show a downward trend throughout the years; purchased a new hydroseeder; backfilled and topsoiled 8.8 acres for reclamation and over 10 acres of temporary reclamation/stabilization; Chieftain didn’t turn on wet plant in 2016 so water usage was zero but there’s been a downward trend over the years; there was 75,999 tons of sand dried and shipped in 2016; they increased the reclamation bond with Barron County to \$1.8 million; currently have 7 employees; on January 7th 2017 Chieftain filed for bankruptcy; Mammoth Energy was awarded the assets on March 27th 2017 and the anticipated close date is May 26th 2017
 1. Dennis Hines – VP of Operations of Mammoth Energy provided a look forward for 2017; Mammoth will be taking Chieftain into their public company – have CAPEX spends for Chieftain; plan on retaining all of the management that is there to help get the company running again and recruit new employees; the CEO was unable to attend the meeting but wants to express that Mammoth likes getting involved with the community and they do that with the two other sand plants they own

2. Al Albrecht – what about Anderson – Jeff Goldsmith can't answer when the mine will be reclaimed at this time
3. Steve Coon – is the closing date May 27th 2017? Jeff Goldsmith said yes. When do they plan on moving sand again? Dennis from Mammoth said within 60 days of closing depending if they can get employees
4. Jim Plummer – appreciates Jeff Goldsmith

b. Northern Industrial Sand

- i. Katie Forton – 2016 was very challenging for NIS; they plan on maintaining focus on their core strategy which is positioning the company for growth when the market comes back; weathered the downturn by maintaining their staff; NIS paid \$28,454.48 royalties to Dovre; operating highlights – 44 employees and growing – 0 lost time accidents; 0 MSHA accidents; NIS is working on a capital project - a 4th product line which is expected to be completed by June; noise suppression was installed in 2016; 284,544 tons of sand was shipped in 2016; they operated the wet plant until September 19th then were contracted by Sioux Creek Silica to operate their wet plant – NIS is buying the sand; looking ahead – in 2017 NIS plans to expand production; the wet plant started in April and plan on working until late fall; all permits and reporting's were satisfied
 1. Jim Plummer – NIS trucks don't stop at the stop signs; what is the reason the trucks are coming out on SS? Larry McGlumphy said that the drivers are going home or to the other plant; Mr. Plummer asked them to clean up rocks their trucks dropped on the roads as he has received some complaints from residents
 2. Steve Coon – are you still having issues trucking sand? Do they have a new contractor? Mr. McGlumphy said they do

c. Northern White Sand

- i. Mike Meyer – plant manager with Northern White Sand – formally Great Northern Sand; gave the attendants a little background on him – he has been with Eagle Materials (the parent company of Northern White Sand) for 16 years and took over plant management of Northern White Sand about a year ago; accident free in 2016 and so far in 2017; the plant operated at about 20% capacity and ran the plant only if they had sales; had some management changes in 2016 but don't expect any more; right now at 44 employees but hope to get 71 employees; expecting to mine over 2 million tons; no reclamation plans at this time because the mining plan is to stay above grade; they have 16 acres to strip which will be ready for mining next year; 5th monitoring well was installed per Barron County; plan on running the wash plant 24/7 through October – started March 20th; have a second wash plant at the wet plant on SS and that will run during the day until October; want to get up to 1 million tons of storage and are estimating to truck about 1.5 million tons; plan on operating both dry plants 24/7; submitted permit amendment request to increase throughput of dry plant by 25%; looking to increase cars by 53% to 1300 cars; looking for additional land for reserves; having a lot of challenges finding employees; still plan on being involved in the community

1. Steve Coon – 1.5 million tons of raw sand shipped? How much coming back? Mike Meyer said yes, raw sand, and there will be about 400,000 coming back. Northern White Sand acquired property from Heerey and some is wetland – what is the plan for that? Mr. Meyer said they are not sure – they have a few years before they get to that land
 2. Al Nyhagen – the outlook Northern White Sand is predicting seems pretty good, is that due to politics? Mr. Meyer said, no it's mostly due to the market recovery
 3. Art Harelstad – the second wash plant is planned to run just during the day?
 4. Dean Trowbridge – is there any reason the vibrators on the trucks have to run at 6am? Can they start at 8? It is very early for the neighbors
 5. Kelly Phillips – do you think that an issue hiring people could be they are afraid to come back because of the uncertainty of the market? – Mr. Meyer said that is one issue
- d. Sioux Creek Silica
 - i. No representative here
 - e. Progressive Rail
 - i. No representative here
6. Preliminary 2016 Financial Summary
 - a. Dan North – the clerk/treasurer picked up audit reports yesterday – per state statutes annual meeting must reports receipts and disbursements and long term debt; Dan North reported receipts and disbursements as presented on the Audit Schedule 1; reported long term debt – town hall and new truck
 7. Review 2016 road projects and upcoming 2017 road projects
 - a. Chairman Trowbridge reviewed the road projects from 2016 and what the board has planned for 2017
 - i. 2016 projects
 1. 29th Street – County Road SS to 2nd Street – pulverize, add gravel, blacktop, shoulder and strip and replaced 4 culverts on 29th Street
 2. NIS truck route 6th Avenue to 25 ¼ Street – blacktop 6" thick, 24' wide, shoulder
 3. Painted town shop
 4. Traded in 2000 Peterbilt for 2017 Western Star
 5. New tires on town grader – the cost was \$7,966.32. The old tires had tread left on them so they were put on the Wisconsin Surplus auction site and received \$4,100.00
 - ii. 2017 projects
 1. 1st Avenue Lame Back Lane – 29th Street to termini – blacktop and shoulder
 2. 26 ½ - 27th Street – County Road AA south 1 mile – pulverize, add 2" of gravel, blacktop, shoulder, striping

3. 5th Avenue – County Road SS to 27 ¼ Street – pulverize, add gravel – 300’ engineering study done before sending out for bids due to the wetland
 4. Town hall parking lot – pulverize, blacktop, stripe parking stalls
8. Electors – questions/comments
 - a. Steve Coon – is the town going to keep plowing private driveways? Chairman Trowbridge says it has not been discussed. Is the advisor still with the board? Chairman Trowbridge reports he’s been sick but works with us when we need him
9. Adjourn: Motion by Steve Coon second by Al Albrecht to adjourn the annual meeting at 7:45 p.m. Yes – 11; No – 0. Motion carried by unanimous yes vote.

Kelly Phillips
Clerk/Treasurer
Town of Dovre, Barron County