

June 12, 2012

Chair Harmsen called the regular monthly meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. All board members attended the meeting.

The following variance requests were approved by motion:

- Hugo Munoz-Croockneck Lake variance; motion by Supervisor Rosvold, second by Supervisor Card, the remainder of the board concurred.
- Jon McClain-Scandia Valley Vineyards conditional use permit; motion by Supervisor Rosvold, second by Supervisor Borgstrom, the remainder of the board concurred.

Reading of the minutes was waived by motion of Supervisor Borgstrom with a second by Supervisor Akkerman. The remainder of the board concurred.

Treasurer Meier reported a total working cash balance of \$126,985.26. The report was approved and filed for audit at a later date in a motion by Supervisor Borgstrom, which was seconded by Supervisor Card. The remainder of the board concurred.

**Road Report:** Mike Lahr reported the roads are in fair condition. Normal routine maintenance has been ongoing. Staff has been hauling recyclables. The paving on 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue started today. Patches will be done later in the week. The maintenance staff has been hot patching too. The new mower works great and saves considerable time. The sign company is drawing up the signs for the cemeteries. The cost will be \$1,275.00 each for one-sided signs. Mike is waiting for the drawings in the mail.

Mike was able to find only one company that x-rays cemeteries. The company name is GPRS, Ground Penetrating Radar Systems, out of Minneapolis. The board asked Mike to contact GPRS and ask for prices.

John Marsh commended the crew for the prompt storm cleanup and tree removal on Birchcrest last Sunday.

**Fire Report:** Mike Lahr reported one call, a car accident, during the month. The fire department wants to know if they should plan an extra truck for the fireworks on July 3. The board agreed that would be a good idea. They also decided that three porta-potties would be advisable.

Frank McGuire reported a fire at Camp Ripley that extended about 50' into Scandia Valley. The Randall Fire Department responded. The board explained that Randall has a contract for Camp Ripley fire protection. Frank had questions about whether the north end would be better served by Scandia Valley or Pillager. Supervisor Rosvold said they are working on mutual aid and contract with Camp Ripley.

Chair Harmsen reported on a conversation with Dave Pogreba regarding Fawn Lake. Mr. Pogreba was the only one interested in the proposal so it was dropped from further discussion.

**O.B.:** Supervisor Card needs recertification for Board of Equalization this year. He decided that he would take the class at the courthouse in September.

Frank McGuire asked if the upcoming Fire Truck Fund tax payment would be used for the Certificate of Indebtedness payment for the fire truck. The board responded in the affirmative.

Supervisor Akkerman asked about the old crew cab parked at the refuse and recycling center. After discussion, Supervisor Borgstrom, seconded by Supervisor Akkerman, made a motion to advertise it for sale by bid. The remainder of the board concurred.

Frank McGuire asked about the Fish Trap lot progress. Chair Harmsen explained that the DNR has scheduled a motion to ask the court to dismiss the case. If the motion is not dismissed the case will proceed to a court trial on October 4, 2012.

**N.B.:** Frank McGuire requested the newly seeded area at Union Cemetery not be mowed so short. He also asked about stump removal at the cemetery. Mike Lahr explained that he is waiting for a call back.

The board discussed the need for a porta-potty at the East Shamineau landing. Supervisor Card, seconded by Supervisor Borgstrom, made a motion to put a unit there on a trial basis for a month and see how it goes. The remainder of the board concurred. Chair Harmsen would also like a sign stating the facility that the site is maintained by the township.

**Claims** 12140- 12170 totaling \$46,397.02 were read and approved for payment. Motion made by Supervisor Borgstrom and seconded by Supervisor Rosvold. The remainder of the board concurred.

**Correspondence** was read and dealt with.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m. in a motion by Supervisor Card, seconded by Supervisor Rosvold. The remainder of the board concurred.

Bob Harmsen - Chair

Kathie Headley – Clerk