

August 13, 2013

Chair Borgstrom called the regular monthly meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. All board members attended the meeting

The following variance and conditional use requests were approved by motion:

- Nancy & Greg Eull-Lake Alexander; motion by Supervisor Rosvold, second by Supervisor Newkirk, the remainder of the board concurred.
- James Schlichting-Fish Trap Lake; motion by Supervisor Rosvold, second by Supervisor Newkirk, the remainder of the board concurred.
- Brian Sams-Fish Trap Lake conditional use permit; motion by Supervisor Card, second by Supervisor Akkerman, the remainder of the board concurred.

Reading of the minutes was waived by motion of Supervisor Card, seconded by Supervisor Akkerman. The remainder of the board concurred.

Treasurer Meier reported a total working cash balance of \$349,526.34. The report was approved and filed for audit at a later date.

Road Report: Chair Borgstrom commended Mike Lahr and Ryan Kuklok for all of the help and work they did in preparation for the first Scandia Valley Summerfest.

Mike Lahr reported the roads are in good condition. Normal routine maintenance has been ongoing. Staff has been hauling recyclables and brushing roads. The spray for mosquitoes for Summerfest did help and had a cost of \$180.00. The Rail Prairie addition for the Union Cemetery sign is complete and ready for pick up. The hot patching material has all been used. Mike asked if the board would like to purchase the same amount of material for the upcoming year. After discussion, the board instructed Mike to order 10 yards of hot patch material. Culverts for 80th Avenue and extensions for Tee Road have been purchased. Staff plans to begin on 80th in the next week. Mike explained that the transit currently owned by the township is not functioning well and asked the board about purchasing a new one. Chair Borgstrom, seconded by Supervisor Akkerman, made a motion to purchase a new transit. The remainder of the board concurred.

Gus Japp from A & J Drilling presented prices for drilling a new well. He explained various options to board could choose from. Mike also had some additional bids for the board's review. Supervisor Newkirk expressed the opinion that the township should use A & J for the well project as he was the only provider who came and explained what could be done as well as being knowledgeable about the township needs. After discussion the board all agreed that a new well made more sense than trying to do anything with the existing well. Supervisor Newkirk, seconded by Supervisor Card, made a motion to accept the A & J quote with the addition of up to six test holes to determine the best location for the well. The remainder of the board concurred.

Fire Report: Chief Zahler reported the MBTFE grant for \$2,610 for the period of 7/1/12 through 6/30/13 training has been received. The fire department also received \$340 of redistribution money over and above the grant allotment. Chief Zahler explained that changes to the Relief Association bylaws would need to be made to reflect the association joining PERA. He also reported that the fire department fundraiser served over 600 turkey dinners at Summerfest.

O.B.: Supervisor Akkerman reported that the berm on the Fish Trap Lake lot is on hold until 9/1/2013 due to vacations by the parties that need to review the issue. A fence on the property must be one foot back from the property line unless an agreement can be reached with the adjoining property owners. Chair Borgstrom thanked Supervisor Akkerman for all of his help on the lake lot project.

The board asked Mike Lahr on the status of the reflectivity signs throughout the township. Mike stated that he believes about 1/3 of the signage is complete. The board also discussed brushing issues. There has been no news on the Pine View Boulevard project.

N.B.: The District 8 meeting will be on 8/21/2013 in Merrifield. Treasurer Meier and all of the supervisors plan to attend the meeting.

Supervisor Card, seconded by Supervisor Akkerman, made a motion to approve the Morrison County Tax forfeiture list.

Clerk Headley reported that "Town Aid" from the State of Minnesota has been reinstated and should be \$12,394.00 for 2014. Supervisor Newkirk asked how that aid is distributed and the clerk explained that in the past it was always distributed in the same percentages that the levy was distributed.

Clerk Headley presented a petition from the residents to vacate the west end of Ridge Road, the use of which was terminated upon the redesign and rebuild of Highway 10 and the new intersection of Ridge Road and Highway 10. The board decided that they would hold the public hearing after the regular monthly meeting on 9/9/2013.

Claims 13208 - 13228 totaling \$16,723.46 were read and approved for payment. Motion made by Supervisor Akkerman and seconded by Supervisor Card. The remainder of the board concurred.

Correspondence was read and dealt with.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m. in a motion by Supervisor Akkerman, seconded by Supervisor Card. The remainder of the board concurred.

Dale Borgstrom - Chair

Kathie Headley – Clerk