

July 10, 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:

- Dick Auger-Lake Shamineau variance; motion by Supervisor Card, second by Supervisor Akkerman, the remainder of the board concurred.
- Brian Sams-Fish Trap Lake variance; motion by Supervisor Borgstrom, second by Supervisor Rosvold, the remainder of the board concurred.

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

Treasurer Meier reported a total working cash balance of \$300,679.25. The report was approved and filed for audit at a later date in a motion by Supervisor Card, which was seconded by Supervisor Borgstrom. 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 mowing ditches. Mike called Underground Penetrating Radar regarding Lutheran Cemetery. They charge \$1,600.00 per day and can do about one acre per day. Lutheran Cemetery is approximately two acres. The company did not think they would find much with a cemetery that old. Supervisor Card, seconded by Supervisor Rosvold, made a motion to proceed with having the cemetery examined. The remainder of the board concurred.

Mike asked the board about "Pedestrian Crossing Ahead" signs for Ridge Road before the bible camp crossing. After discussion, the board instructed Mike to install two bright yellow signs and posts. The board also asked Mike to obtain a "Maintained by Scandia Valley Township" with a suggested speed sign for the East Shamineau access.

Mike explained that the shouldering material for 60th Avenue is not yet available from Hengel's. He asked the board if they should wait on the shouldering or order some Class 5 from Sanders. The board decided to wait for the town's delivery from Hengel's.

Mike reported that they received a call from a resident that wants to use the beach at the Fish Trap Lake access. He asked if they should clear a path down to the beach. Chair Harmsen said he would review the legal paperwork, talk to the attorney, and get back to Mike. The board discussed putting a garbage can at that site and decided that the intent is for access only (not a park) so therefore they would not put a garbage can at that location. The board also requested that Mike drive in a pin at the lot lines and mark them with red paint.

Supervisor Card, seconded by Supervisor Akkerman, made a motion to approve the signs for the cemeteries. The remainder of the board concurred.

Chair Harmsen reported on a letter from Soil and Water about the requirement for shooting elevations for culverts before replacing a culvert.

Mike reported on the two quotes received for stump grinding in the cemeteries and park. He asked the board if he should go ahead with the lowest quote. The board instructed him to proceed.

A resident with concerns about easement encroachment on Concord Road called during the month. The board is unable to help them as Concord is a private road. A Lakeshore Drive resident had also called to report a neighbor spraying the road in front of two adjoining lots, which created extra rutting in the road. The board asked that a letter be sent to the property owner explaining that there could be potential charges for road damages.

Fire Report: Fire Chief Zahler reported one call during the month, which was cancelled while the firefighters were en route. The department applied for a 50/50 DNR grant for two sets of turnout gear. The total cost will be \$3,600.00. All of the July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 training bills are being

submitted to MBTFE for reimbursement. The application must be received by MBTFE by August 1. The department had been approved for a \$2,100.00 grant but more funds are available so they may pay more. Firefighter I, Firefighter II, and certification will probably be paid directly to the vendors by MBTFE in 2013 so a request may not be needed in 2013. The annual turkey dinner will be Saturday, August 4 from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Chief Zahler asked for permission to donate an out of service fire hose to Camp Shamineau. Supervisor Rosvold, seconded by Supervisor Borgstrom, approved the donation. The remainder of the board concurred.

The department had a fire truck in the Pillager Parade on July 7 and will be in the Motley Parade on July 28.

The department had discussed the possibility of combining the fire department benefit and the fireworks. Supervisor Borgstrom explained that they were suggesting doing fireworks in August in lieu of July 4 fireworks. Chair Harmsen explained that the fireworks are a joint effort between the LABA and the township. Therefore, the board should not proceed without consulting the LABA.

Supervisor Rosvold expressed concern about parking for the fire department at the fire hall when there is a large event going on at the hall. It was decided to post the west side of the property as "Emergency Personnel Only".

O.B.: The posting for the full time road and bridge position was reviewed and approved with one adjustment. The bids for the '86 Chevy were opened. The bid was awarded to Rick Headley for \$553.00 with the highest bid.

N.B.: Supervisor Card, seconded by Supervisor Akkerman, made a motion to approve the proposed list of election for the primary election.

The August meeting was scheduled to be held on August 7 due to the primary election on August 14.

Chair Harmsen raised the issue of a flyer from Peoples Security for a security camera system. After discussion, the board asked Mike Lahr to get a proposal from Peoples.

Mike Lahr and Rick Headley reported that someone had tripped the breaker for the thermostat. The inside temperature was as 82°. The individual had also disturbed the protective cover over the thermostat. Rick replaced the cover with hollow wall anchors. After discussion, the board decided that they would put a lock on the inside of the fire meeting room in order to limit public access to the mechanical room. They also decided to rekey the locks of the hall.

Claims 12171- 12199 totaling \$169,233.46 were read and approved for payment. Motion made by Supervisor Borgstrom 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 8:15 p.m. in a motion by Supervisor Card, seconded by Supervisor Borgstrom. The remainder of the board concurred.

Bob Harmsen - Chair

Kathie Headley – Clerk