

April 9, 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 except for Supervisor Newkirk.

The following variance and rezoning requests were approved by motion: None were presented

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

Treasurer Meier reported a total working cash balance of \$181,134.76. The report was approved and filed for audit at a later date.

Treasurer Meier reported that the bank needs proof for who is authorized to sign checks for the township. Supervisor Card, seconded by Rosvold, made a motion that the board members who should be authorized to sign checks are the board chair (Dale Borgstrom), the town clerk (Kathie Headley), the town treasurer (Sara Meier), and the deputy chair (Arnie Akkerman). The remainder of the board concurred.

Supervisor Akkerman, seconded by Supervisor Card, made a motion to accept the \$500.00 donation from Jeffery Larson and the \$2,000.00 donation from the Weyerhaeuser Foundation. 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 and started crack sealing. Four new signs that say "Water on Road" were purchased for spring flooding areas.

Mike presented a letter that Morrison County uses for residents who violate proper snow plowing procedures that the clerk revised for the township. He explained that a copy of the letter explaining that plowing snow into a township road is a misdemeanor needs to be sent to the residents involved via certified mail before any further action can be taken. Supervisor Akkerman explained that the Morrison County Auditor, Russ Nygren, would assist in getting a copy of the letter delivered to the township mailboxes.

The gray dump truck had hydraulic controls replaced. A mechanic from Advanced Diesel came to the shop and fixed it on his own time. Mike wanted to know if it is allowable to contract someone in this manner. The board gave their approval as long as the individual is a certified mechanic.

Al from Anderson Brothers will be working in the area this year on a Morrison County project. If our job could coordinate, it would affect the price of the road project. Al also gave Mike the name of an engineer, Dave Reese, for the road project. Supervisor Akkerman reported that various conversations have recommended that an engineer be hired for the project. In part, this would also guarantee that the bids would all be completed in the same format. A special meeting was scheduled for April 23 for further discussion about engineering prices.

Mike and Ryan attended a traffic work zone seminar. The seminar explained what needs to be done for signage for a work zone. He reported that OSHA is getting involved with work zone safety. Supervisor Rosvold, seconded by Supervisor Akkerman, made a motion to purchase the necessary signs to meet OSHA requirements and keep workers safe. The remainder of the board concurred.

Mike explained that the leaf blower they use for crack sealing is not functioning well and needs to be replaced. He presented prices for a few different backpack models. Supervisor Rosvold, seconded by Supervisor Card, made a motion to purchase a Stihl BR600 76cc leaf blower. The remainder of the board concurred.

Supervisor Rosvold asked if the township could crack seal for Camp Shamineau. Clerk Headley stated that should be verified with the MAT attorneys.

Stephanie Lastovich talked to the board about the flooding on 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Mrs. Lastovich stated that they are willing to help with fill as well as the use of their dump truck and bobcat if the road can be raised. There may be a need for a culvert. Chair Borgstrom, seconded by Supervisor Card, made a motion to build up the south end of 80<sup>th</sup> as soon as the road is dry enough to work on. The motion also

approved putting sewer rock on the north end of 80<sup>th</sup> south of the cemetery. The remainder of the board concurred.

**Fire Report:** Chief Zahler reported no fire calls for the month. Three new firefighters have completed FFI and passed the certification test. The new firefighters (Brian Eikmeier, Jason Tollefson, and Keri Kuklok) were voted into the department on April 4, 2013.

Thirteen members of the department will be starting FFII on April 18. This will take about 30 hours over the next two months. The training will be paid in full by MBTFE of FY 2013 ending 7/31/13. Some Motley and Pillager firefighters will also be here for the FFII training.

**O.B.:** Discussion of Pineview bids was tabled for the special meeting. Annual road inspection will be held on May 11 at 8 a.m. Chair Borgstrom purchased the used projector from Larson Boats for \$100.00.

**N.B.:** A DNR representative did a Firewise Program presentation for the board. Firewise is a community grant program.

Tom Carpenter from Ridge Road expressed safety concerns. He would like 30 mph speed signs on Ridge Road.

Supervisor Rosvold, seconded by Supervisor Card, made a motion to purchase a three-year OSHA software update.

Commissioner Kevin Maurer talked to the board about the Auger rezoning request.

**Claims** 13092- 13122 totaling \$37,392.45 were read and approved for payment. Motion made by Supervisor Card 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 8:35 p.m. in a motion by Supervisor Card, seconded by Supervisor Akkerman. The remainder of the board concurred.

Dale Borgstrom - Chair

Kathie Headley – Clerk