

August 9, 2011

Chair Harmsen called the regular monthly meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Treasurer Meier reported a total working cash balance of \$213,123.01. The current CD balances are Union Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund \$7,681.37, Ogema Point Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund \$12,256.92, and the Fire Truck CD \$53,818.62. The report was approved and filed for audit at a later date in a motion by Supervisor Rosvold and seconded by Supervisor Card. The remainder of the board concurred.

Road Report: Mike Lahr reported that the roads are in fair condition. Normal routine maintenance has been ongoing. Two stray dogs were picked up. Staff is working on patches throughout the township. There is a patch on Ridge Road that should be done during paving. Atlantic is closed due to a washout. One quote of \$250.00 for the 70th Avenue culverts was received from Ken Zetah. The board approved the purchase. Farmers have again been planting in the right of way.

Supervisor Borgstrom requested that the area the fire department uses for their annual barbecue be built up. Fire Chief Zahler stated that the fire department is looking at building a shelter type of roof over the area.

The board instructed the staff to weed out the park culverts. The board also expects Jerry Grossinger to attend the meetings.

After discussion, it was decided to purchase a different pickup for the road and bridge department to use for maintenance. Supervisor Borgstrom, seconded by Supervisor Rosvold, made a motion to authorize Supervisor Card to purchase a used 2-wheel drive pickup at a cost of up to \$5,000.00 for township use. The remainder of the board concurred.

Fire Report: Chief Zahler reported a car fire and a transformer fire during the month. There is a training burn at the farm across from the Castaway scheduled during the upcoming month.

The new pumper truck was picked up and runs well. There was some discussion about what to do with the old attack rig. It was determined to advertise the rig for sale in the fire publication recommended by Chief Zahler.

Supervisor Rosvold reported a good turnout at the annual fire department benefit. There were many positive comments about the DNR displays and information available.

O.B.: Chair Harmsen relayed the information that the court date for the Fish Trap Lake lot is August 29 in Little Falls at the Morrison County District Court. It will begin at 9:00 a.m. All of the board intends to attend and the convening of the board for that purpose at the courthouse needs to be posted.

Chair Harmsen had checked with the assessors' office. No one from the board needs to attend equalization training this year.

N.B.: Supervisor Borgstrom made a motion to approve the variance requests presented by Madduxes, McKiernans, and Klefsaas for improvements to their properties. Supervisor Card seconded the motion and the remainder of the board concurred.

The need for quotes for refuse and recycling contractors was discussed. The clerk and treasurer will call some contractors for quotes.

Dave Pogreba from Fawn Lake Township will attend the next meeting to discuss the possibility of Scandia Valley providing some fire service for Fawn Lake.

Supervisor Akkerman reported that Randy Beinhorn on Eagle View had requested the removal of the stop sign at the south end of the road. After discussion, Supervisor Borgstrom, seconded by

Supervisor Akkerman, made a motion to remove the stop sign and replace it with a curve sign. The remainder of the board concurred.

Rick Headley explained that Bob Hirschey would like to have a speed sign on Goodvin Road. The board discussed the problem and determined that the speed problem is caused by the local garbage hauler. Treasurer Meier will call Waste Management with the complaint.

Glen Borgstrom from Cushing Township asked about the possibility of the Scandia Valley staff doing some mowing for Cushing Township. Supervisor Card, seconded by Supervisor Borgstrom, made a motion to go forward and propose a price for mowing to the Cushing board. The remainder of the board concurred.

Claims 11223 - 11253 totaling \$90,105.69 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 8:14 p.m. in a motion by Supervisor Akkerman, seconded by Supervisor Card. The remainder of the board concurred.

Bob Harmsen – Chair

Kathie Headley – Clerk

