

January 9, 2018

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

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

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Meier reported a total working cash balance of \$550,029.62. The report was approved and filed for audit at a later date

Road Report: Mike Lahr reported that the roads are in fair condition. Normal routine maintenance of the town roads, township equipment, fire equipment, and refuse and recycling center has been ongoing. Maintenance personnel have been cutting brush and trees.

Mike asked about ordering crack seal for the upcoming season. The board instructed Mike to order eight pallets as they have for the last few years.

The remainder of the high-density road signs has been purchased. This will bring all of the township signs up to state specifications.

Anthony Maule from Bolton and Menk presented the board with an update on the Fishtrap Lake Drive project to date. He also explained the next steps in the project. Bolton and Menk hope to present a 90% complete bid package to the town board at the February meeting.

Steve Lastovich talked to the board about implementing a town road snowmobile ordinance. The board explained that they have no power to enforce an ordinance. Any ordinance would have to be enforced by the county sheriff. It was decided to talk to the local snowmobile club regarding the problem.

The Mid-MN Excavating quote for upgrading 80th Avenue was opened. He quoted amount is \$22,200.00 for grading work and Class 5. The board decided to table the quote due to the pending litigation regarding 80th Avenue.

Fire Report: Chief Kuklok reported one call for the month: a basement/house fire on Highway 10. The First Response had five calls for the month.

Clerk Headley presented the board with a list of the compensation paid to the neighboring fire departments. Discussion on fire fighter compensation and year of service retirement amount was tabled until the February meeting.

Ryan asked about the 2% fire aid match that the township approved when the fire department relief association was established. When was the last time there was a township contribution.

Fire call payments for \$800.00 were received.

O.B.: None

N.B.: Resolution 2018-001 to allow the purchase of propane from Fishtrap Lake Campground and RV Resort owned by Supervisor Hardy was passed in a motion by Supervisor Newkirk, seconded by Supervisor Card. The remainder of the board concurred.

Supervisor Pantzke, seconded by Supervisor Card, made a motion to increase the deductible of the Consolidated Coverage Inland Marine Miscellaneous Equipment to \$2,500.00. The remainder of the board concurred.

Chair Sandstrom closed the meeting at 8:20 p.m. pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 13D.05, subdivision 3(b), to conduct a closed session pursuant to the attorney-client privilege to engage in confidential attorney-client communications and litigation strategy related to a pending and threatened litigation matter: Lastovich and Nelson v. Scandia

Valley Township. Upon completion of the closed session, the regular monthly meeting resumed at 8:50 p.m.

Claims 18001 – 18031 totaling \$100,746.85 were read and approved for payment. Motion made by Supervisor Newkirk 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 8:58 p.m. in a motion by Supervisor Card, seconded by Supervisor Pantzke. The remainder of the board concurred.

Terry Sandstrom - Chair
Kathie Headley – Clerk