

November 10, 2020

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

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

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Meier reported a total working cash balance of \$499,556.29. The report was approved and filed for audit at a later date. Supervisor Card, seconded by Supervisor Pantzke, made a motion to pass resolution 2020-017 accepting a \$2,500.00 donation to the fire department fund from the LABA. The remainder of the board concurred.

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.

The 70th Avenue/350th Street project is complete. A cold patch delivery has been received. Holes on several roads have been patched. One load of salt has been received and Mike will be placing an order for another load at the end of the month. Ballou's Plumbing came out and fixed the furnace vent on the fire hall and plumbing vent on the town hall. The edges of road with wet or filled areas have been marked out for winter and spring.

The board expressed a thank you to Jesse Kylander for removing the bog on Cattleberry Road. Supervisor Newkirk asked about the timing for paving bids on 70th and 350th. Mid-February was determined to be the best time. Supervisor Newkirk also asked about the book value on the trucks.

Fire Report: Assistant Fire Chief Brian Post reported no calls during the month. Water rescue training was cancelled due to Covid 19 numbers rising in the county.

Active 911 should go live sometime this month. Morrison County is looking into funding through Sourcewell for the next three years. Future cost will be \$13.00 per device at 20-25 devices.

They are still working on fine-tuning the truck specs. The department wants to get the cost down a bit.

O.B.: Chuck Schiemo asked about the veterans' memorial. Chair Sandstrom explained that the Lions had dropped both the veterans' memorial and the bandstand projects.

N.B.: MAT annual meeting will be on November 20 and 21 online via Zoom.

Four job applications for the Road and Bridge Assistant position were received. It was decided that Supervisors Card and Hardy would do the interviews on November 21 if it could be arranged. Supervisor Pantzke, seconded by Supervisor Hardy, made a motion to increase the Road & Bridge Manager pay rate by \$1.94 per hour and to start the new hire at 90% of the current assistant rate for a 90-day probationary period. The remainder of the board concurred.

Claims 20337 – 20396 totaling \$18,584.76 were read and approved for payment. Motion made by Supervisor Card and seconded by Supervisor Pantzke. The remainder of the board concurred.

Correspondence was read and dealt with.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m. The motion was made by Supervisor Card and seconded by Supervisor Hardy. The remainder of the board concurred.

Terry Sandstrom – Chair

Kathie Headley – Clerk