

May 11, 2021

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 Card. The remainder of the board concurred.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Meier reported a total working cash balance of \$463,666.61. The report was approved and filed for audit at a later date. Sara explained to the board that the township laptop is about out of storage space. A new laptop vs. an external storage unit was discussed. The board asked Sara to purchase an external drive.

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.

Staff has finished crack sealing. They are now working on leaf cleanup in the cemeteries. The Dodge 550 was in the shop last week for a wheel bearing hub assembly. The siren batteries are due to be replaced. They will be replacing the batteries themselves as they use car batteries.

Jeff Kobliska (Ideal Construction) talked to the board about the proposed roads listed that could be completed for around \$800,000.00 with a bond. The board discussed which roads they would like to include in the project. Supervisor Newkirk, seconded by Supervisor Card, made a motion to add the recommended 3.1 miles to the “to do” list. The remainder of the board concurred.

Fire Report: Assistant Chief Mike Krause reported three calls; a gas leak, a landing zone, and a mutual aid search and rescue. The department did a training burn for a local resident and completed CPR training last month. Morrison County is still working on active 911.

A Hurst battery powered extradition tools cutter/spreader were received and are in service.

Supervisor Altrichter reported on the progress of the new fire truck. He would like to deposit at least \$50,000.00 towards the payment as soon as possible and has requested that Custom Fire invoice the township for that amount. Any monies deposited toward the purchase will earn 5% interest until the truck is completed and delivered. Supervisor Nygren, seconded by Supervisor Card, made a motion to pay the Custom Fire invoice immediately upon receipt of the invoice without waiting until the next meeting. The remainder of the board concurred.

Summerfest is being planned for August 7. Fireworks will be held on Saturday night. The department is putting together a gun raffle to be drawn at 4:00 p.m. on August 7.

The 1st Response purchased a Lucas machine.

O.B.: Tim Rice from the Lake Shamaineau Lake Improvement District talked to the board about the Lake Shamaineau plans. He requested the \$20,000.00 that the board had committed to for the “Turn off the Faucet” be paid to the LSLID. The board requested additional information and decided to table the issue until the June meeting giving them time to review the requested additional information

Supervisor Newkirk asked Supervisor Nygren if he had checked with the county regarding road recording. Supervisor Nygren had spoken with the county auditor and the recorder. They feel that recording is not needed at this time but can be dealt with on an individual road basis.

Supervisor Nygren reported that nothing has been done with the Ham Lake easement since it was recorded which results in the easement reverting to the township ownership. The board decided to let it be as it is.

Chuck Schiemo asked about the Weyerhauser development. There were many additional questions about the project. The board has no additional information at this time. At this point, it is still in the development stage and the township is not involved in that.

N.B.: Supervisor Card, seconded by Supervisor Newkirk, made a motion to approve any liquor licenses requested by the five business owners in Scandia Valley Township. The remainder of the board concurred.

Sgt. Erickson presented an annual update on Camp Ripley information. Clerk Headley asked about the authorized purchasers for the Morrison County Charge Authorization. The board decided to leave it as it is with the authorized purchases being Mike Lahr, Ryan Kuklok, Sara Meier, Kathie Headley, and Terry Sandstrom.

The board went into closed session at 8:30 to discuss some employee issues. The regular meeting resumed at 9:09.

Claims 21123 – 21152 totaling \$72,943.36 were read and approved for payment. Motion made by Supervisor Card and seconded by Supervisor Newkirk. The remainder of the board concurred.

Correspondence was read and dealt with.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m. The motion was made by Supervisor Card and seconded by Supervisor Nygren. The remainder of the board concurred.

Terry Sandstrom – Chair

Kathie Headley – Clerk