

SLT MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Date FEBRUARY 14TH, 2023

Meeting conducted with MN mandated social distancing measures in place. Until further notice, SLT Board Meetings will be conducted in person as detailed in SLT Special Notice #50, dated 02/15/2021

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM February 14th, 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENT: Emily Riley, Ronola Richards, Tammy Ziegler, Dale Lewis, Paulette Johnson

GUESTS: Lee Mindemann SSD highlights. The Service charge will be added to property tax statement for 2023

READING /APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Reading of minutes, approved by Emily R. Seconded by Dale L.

READING/APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS BY TREASURER: Reading of financials approved by Emily R. Seconded by Tammy Z.

READING/APPROVAL OF CLAIMS & PAYROLL BY TREASURER: Reading of Claims and Payroll approved by Emily R, seconded by Tammy Z.

MOTORIZED EQUIPMENT QUARTERLY REPORT BY MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR: Dale to update spreadsheet info for equipment

SUSPENSE DATES:

MATIT Workers Comp report due by February 15th. Report was completed by due date.

Notice of election and annual meeting to be published week of February 27th and March 6th in Pelican Rapids Press

Feb 10th – March 13th, Period of time for absentee voting. Paulette to get more info from the county on how absentee voting is handled for a township election.

March 14th, Election for 3-year supervisor term. Polls open 5 PM to 8 PM

March 14th, Annual meeting 8:15 PM

OLD BUSINESS:

Ronola R .and Emily R. to research how to use the Cloud for uploading monthly meeting files for sharing amongst the board. Pending

Received check from Maplewood for split of gravel cost on 280th. Paid half of amount owed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Collins Lawn Service, Emily to contact them regarding blowing out cul-de-sacs at their discretion.

Rural Mailbox height requirements. Check on township mailbox policy. Match it to Otter Tail County's policy?

Set up Lake Region Electric on auto pay? OK to set up as auto pay. Emily R approved and Tammy Z seconded.

Levy: Look at increase to match Social Security increase plus take into consideration the increased costs of fuel and gravel. Looked at other area townships and their levy amounts. Suggested a levy amount for 2024 at \$222,000. Approved by all supervisors. Motion made to increase levy by Tammy Z. Seconded by Dale R.

CLERK UPDATES:

Culvert Inventory Spreadsheets: Waiting on updated spreadsheet from Tammy. Please have this done ASAP.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Buddy Lane Drainage Project. Egge Construction has it on their schedule. On hold until spring.

OTC Dust control payment. Invoice was sent. OTC contacted Ronola to verify the amount. OTC confirmed it will be approved at their monthly meeting and mailed on the 17th.

Culvert on 280th, not marked. Tammy will follow up on this in the spring.

Tree Trimming. Liability issues when using chain saws. When should employee be trimming and when should the job be given to a commercial company such as Wells Construction. Tabled for future discussion.

Park Region: tank for propane is leased. Check with them on contract price and if they offer auto fill for both propane and diesel. Dale will call other local companies for costs of propane and diesel.

Discussion on how to proceed with 280th. Property owner offering to put funds towards correcting the issues with the roads. Do we want to continue with the line agreement with Maplewood? To be discussed at future meetings.

NEXT MEETING: March 16th, 2023 Reorganization Meeting

ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn made by Emily R seconded by Tammy Z. Meeting adjourned at 8:23pm.