

MINUTES, SLT MONTHLY MEETING

JULY 14, 2020

Meeting conducted with MN mandated social distancing measures in place.

THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF STAR LAKE TOWNSHIP WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:30 P.M BY LEE MINDEMANN FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Present: Lee M., Keith A., Tammy Z., Ronola R. & Jeff M.

GUESTS/SPEAKERS- David Antonsen, Daryl Haarstick, Hans Hanson, Joseph Gerold, and Mike Kratzke, all members of the Dora Twp. Board.

COVID-19 Measures –

- 1- SLT Board Meetings are back to in-person status until further notice, (MAT notice dtd 4/24/20,
- 2- This provided, proper “Social Distancing” measures are observed,
- 3- In the event this changes – SLT will revert to tele/video-conference at the chairman’s discretion,

MINUTES: APPROVAL OF 6/9-17 Meeting Minutes. Motion to approve as read by Keith A., 2nd by Tammy Z. Carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Ronola R. presented the financials. Motion to approve by Keith A., 2ND by Tammy Z. Carried.

CHECKING- \$207,737.78

Cash Control Statement & Schedule 1 to be submitted for June reconciliation.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS & PAYROLL: Motion to approve by Tammy Z., 2nd by Keith A. Carried

MOTORIZED EQUIP QUARTERLY REPORT: Next report due 7/14/2020 for the April-May-June (AMJ) period. *This report to include hours/mileage/repair-service data on both tractors, the grader, and the snowplow if applicable. Terry J. to submit to Keith A. for review and discussion.*

A discussion was held regarding the details of this report and what it should look like going forward. No clear action was decided upon and Keith A. and Jeff M. to talk further on how this information should be disseminated. Pending for next monthly meeting.

DORA TOWNSHIP Presentation on Right of Way Issues on West Rosewood Drive - Dora Twp. requests SLT support and endorsement for renewed implementation of Dora Twp. policy of right of way compliance. SLT indicated they would support, but first want to see the exact

wording of the new policy before providing an official endorsement. SLT also suggest Dora obtain appropriate legal advice either from MAT Legal or Dora's appointed attorney. Dora seemed in agreement and indicated they would provide a draft.

SUSPENSE DATES:

-07/31/2020. All election judge training must be completed. This would be through "On- Line Training" or in-person training as per schedules. Clerk has distributed & confirmed all judges for August 11 Primary. Any questions at meeting is welcome.

-08/11/2020. State Primary Elections. 10:00 am to 8:00 pm. Will post on our website also as well as Townhall.

08/13/2020. Next SLT Monthly Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

1- -Townhall maintenance issues: Keith A.

- a. Steel Post installation for Town Hall shed. Keith A. has talked to Josh Bakken to install. Completed
- b. Stump was removed and subsequent seeding in Town Hall yard is pending. Lee M. agreed to purchase the remaining black dirt from township for \$50, and to purchase grass seed for Terry to use in repairing damaged areas in yard.
- c. paint both steel posts when completed. Pending.

2- Culverts, Signage, and Noxious Weeds: Tammy Z. :

- a. culvert inspection and maintenance plan in progress. 77 markers already put up. ECI was contracted to remove old clemsons from (#27-8) and clean culvert basins.
- b. noxious weeds inspections have begun. Tammy rptd 13 letters have been sent to respective SLT property owners.
- c. Terry has started spot mowing noxious weed patches,

3- 280TH So. & Skyhawk Dr; (north of Hwy. 24); Lee M. reported _

- a. Lee M. conferred with Sam Rufer to review options going forward;
 - i. Lee draft letter to MWT with one last appeal, (hand-out)
 - ii. Has been reviewed by Attorney Rufer,
 - iii. Letter sent to MWT on 7/15/20 – if no positive action taken submit to OTC Board for resolution and move on. Pending.

4 – Road Operations Update: (Lee M)

- a. **SLT 2020 Gravel Plan & Road Projects** – gravelling operations completed, and all have been graded out. See updated plan. (Hand-out)
 - a. Culvert maintenance plan – Tammy-pending,
 - b. Tree Trimming – Lee has given projects to Countryside Tree with budget of \$4-5K. Rates this year have increased from \$75 to \$85/hr – this includes 2 men, all necessary equipment, the cutting and removal of all wood & limbs, with no mileage allowance but an additional \$85 for every 3rd load.

- b. **Road Repair for 360th St.**- Lee M. reviewed repair of two significant soft spots east of Hwy 41 and west of Pfeffer’s driveway. Have met with ECI and awaiting quote. This repair is similar to the successful Camp Joy curve repair of last year. **Due to budget concerns, the board agreed to defer to 2021.**

- c. **2020 Dust Control** – 2020 application done on 5/28. Brightwood Shores Dr. completed 7/2. One outstanding short payment of \$262.50 -Pending.

5-SLT HEAVY EQUIPMENT STATUS- Keith to update –

- a. Equipment Maintenance Log - pending,
- b. 2008 Sterling Title Status - DONE,
- c. Ennen Repair status on retrofits of truck & plow,
- d. Pts of interest – SLT spent \$37,310 on truck repairs over last 8 yrs an average of \$4,663/yr.
- e. Clerk to cut a check for \$5850 to handle additional parts relative to retrofit. Bring along with title for the 1994 Ford Snowplow truck when going to pick up the 2009 Sterling when retrofit complete. .

NEW BUSINESS:

Clerk reports August monthly meeting must be changed to accommodate August Primary. **Lee moved the meeting be changed to 08/13/2020 @ 6:30 P.M., 2nd by Tammy, motion carried. Clerk advised to make necessary legal postings.**

-Clerk as requested Board to consider installing an air conditioner for Townhall for comfort of our election judges and the voting public. **Jeff M. & Keith A. to follow up on pricing etc.**

- **Keith moved a New exterior bulletin board, 50% larger, water resistant, be acquired for \$200.00. 2nd by Tammy – Motion Carried.**
- Cty Hwy 35 from 41 to 1 road construction beginning 7/17... SLT Bulletin #38,
- Lee briefed on Perham EMS facilities determination – project suspended, EMS to rent space from Perham Hospital in the interim,

- East Lodge Loop road repair – private driveway being eroded due to run-off of SLT road – working solution with stakeholder, will likely take some addl' gravel and grading. Pending.
- Beavers and high water along 300th Ave, vicinity of David Collins – Lee located local trapper to handle for \$50/beaver – Doug Kugler. Pending.
- SLT to approach Egge on additional maintenance (dusting etc) on 280th St. N. relative to constant traffic creating more dust than usual. Keith A. & Lee M. to handle. Pending.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- Ronola to research any potential use of Covid, Aid, Relief, Economic, Security – (CARES) Act funding,

Next Meeting: AUGUST 13th 2020 @ 6:30

Adjourn: Motion by Lee M., 2ND by Keith A. Carried. 8:00 P.M.