

WOODROW TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

FEBRUARY 11, 2016

7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Bob Hankey at 7:00 p.m. All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were supervisors Myles Wagner and Hankey, treasurer Tim Mueller and clerk Diane Schires. Absent: Supervisor Lindquist

MSP Wagner/Hankey to approve the agenda with the amendment to New Business #3 Road Signage, #4 Appeals and Equalization meeting, #5 Money funds into CD, #6 Public Input. Old Business addition #3 Cleaning Contract.

MSP Wagner/Hankey to approve January minutes.

MSP Hankey/Wagner to accept Treasurer's Report with YTD balance of \$743,985.78.

MSP Wagner/Hankey to approve Claims.

MSP Hankey/Wagner to approve Payroll.

ROAD AND BRIDGE REPORTS-

Supervisor Wagner- Roads were plowed for snow. 3 citizens reported icy roads, so Herheim sanded.

OLD BUSINESS-

Budget Meeting date change- MSP Wagner/Hankey to approve re-scheduled Budget meeting for Wednesday, February 17th at 9:00

Knoll Road update- Hankey hasn't received report from contractor.

Cleaning Contract- Wagner has received contract from Fritz Myers. MSP Wagner/Hankey to approve Fritz Myers as Township hall cleaner.

NEW BUSINESS-

Road Contract and Solicitation of Quotes- Hankey discussed need for new road contract for this year. Wagner has been re-typing the last used contract as it's not in digital format. It is the township attorney's approved version. Discussion about the value of 3 year contract as it saves money and locks in pricing. Wagner asked if we should include packing roads into grading contract. Cass Co. Dave Emblom was complimentary to Wagner on the condition of our roads as being some of the best in the county. Wagner stated a normal grading of township roads cost about \$3,100, re-shaping is about \$4,000, light grading is about \$2,700. Harder roads would require less chloriding, which currently stands at around \$33,000/year. Approximately 29 miles of gravel roads are chlorided at \$1,100/mile. If we did more frequent grading and compacting, could we set an environmental trend by eliminating chloride? Hankey has also been in contact with Emblom and says he highly recommended that we use hydraulic packing. Hankey suggested we research area contractors about this before putting it into contract language. Discussion ensued about considering phasing-out of chloride after a few years of grading/packing. MSP Wagner/Hankey to approve a road contract for 3 years.

MATS training- MSP Wagner/Hankey to approve MATS training on March 30th for Schires, Mueller, Wagner, Lindquist and Hankey for \$250.

Safety signs- MSP Wagner/Hankey to approve ordering through M-R Signs in Fergus Falls 2-SLOW-HIDDEN DRIVE signs for Interlachen and 14th Avenue @ \$66.84 each.

Appeals and Equalization meeting- MSP Wagner/Hankey to approve Appeals and Equalization meeting to be held at the township hall on April 25th at 10:00 a.m.

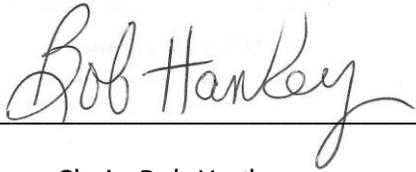
Money/Funds into CD- Wagner would like to put aside \$50,000 for a 5 year CD. Mueller says we can't invest in stock markets. Discussion ensued about how much to put aside after spending down. Mueller would like to see something on paper regarding future road projects after the budget meeting and suggests being more aggressive on saving to a committed fund, such as future tarring of 14th Avenue. He would like see over \$50,000 into a 5 year CD because of the higher interest rates realized (1.65%). Current CD's will be mature in May and October of this year, so decision must be made soon. Wagner discussed the need for turnarounds on Gerner, Knoll and Interlachen per mailman/woman needs. He also stated that we are still double what the State recommends for operating costs in reserve, so we are in good shape to roll funds into a 5 year CD. Hankey in agreement on the direction of discussion, and that we will discuss amounts being put into 5 year CD after budget meeting.

PUBLIC INPUT-

Arlan Schires asked about when the repaving of 14th Avenue occurs will the DNR be involved with help in costs as it was when originally laid? Wagner stated that it was a one-shot deal. We are budgeting \$170,000 for re-pavement in about 5 years.

Court Lechert asked Mueller how much the outstanding check amount was (\$115.75, 36).

MEETING ADJOURNED by Hankey at 7:55 p.m.



Chair, Bob Hankey



Clerk, Diane Schires