

Minutes
Regular Meeting
April 13, 2015

Board of Supervisors:

Mike Brandt - Chair
Jerry Bohnsack – Vice Chair
Josh Thompson - Supervisor

Judy Hamilton – Clerk
Amy Donovan - Treasurer
Steve Reilly – Road Overseer

Board Chair Mike Brandt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., with the Pledge of Allegiance. Clerk Hamilton was absent.

Minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved with a motion by Jerry Bohnsack and a second by Josh Thompson.

The Treasurer's report was approved unanimously with a motion by Bohnsack and a second by Thompson.

Claims for \$23,740.35 were approved unanimously with a motion by Bohnsack and second by Thompson.

Jerry Bohnsack said he was concerned by the decision to donate to New Pathways, the homeless shelter, as he questioned the legality of the donation. According to a letter Hamilton received from an attorney with the Minnesota Association of Townships, the Town Board could contract with the shelter provided the shelter had insurance and signed an indemnification certificate, which were included in the contract presented by the program director at the Annual Meeting. Mike Brandt made a motion to proceed with the donation as agreed by the Township residents at the Annual Meeting. Josh Thompson seconded the motion. Jerry Bohnsack wanted to go on record as voting against the donation. Thompson wanted the record to show that there was a Deerwood resident requiring the services of the shelter, and he stood by the decision.

After reviewing Steve Reilly's road report, Bohnsack said he was also concerned that the levy increase was not going to be adequate to cover the roadwork the Township needed to address. Projects discussed were Deer Trail reclamation or re-paving, repairs to Nelson Drive, and culvert replacement on Placid Drive. Brandt suggested taking out a loan at three percent interest to do all the necessary road repairs. Thompson said he would like to keep the levy as low as possible. Brandt said the condition of Nelson Drive made it dangerous to drive.

Referring to Deer Trail again, Bohnsack said the Board should hold a public meeting to discuss the possible reclamation of the road. The Board agreed to advertise in the Courier that it planned to discuss options for the road at its Regular Meeting in May, and invite residents to attend.

The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Hamilton,

Clerk