

Deerwood Township
Regular Meeting
November 14, 2018

Board of Supervisors:

James Walth-Supervisor
Josh Thompson - Vice Chair
David Gray - Chair

Carol Pundt- Clerk
Amy Donovan - Treasurer
Steve Reilly - Road Overseer

Present: Josh Thompson, David Gray, James Walth, Carol Pundt, Amy Donovan, Steve Reilly,
Absent: None

David Gray called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by James Walth to approve the agenda. All voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by James Walth and seconded by Josh Thompson to approve the October 10, 2018 Monthly Board meeting minutes. All voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by James Walth and seconded by Josh Thompson to approve the Treasurer's Report subject to audit for the month ending October 31, 2018. All voted in favor of the motion. It was brought to the Board's attention that the Road Reconstruction Bond Principal/Interest in the amount of \$92,159.00 is due to be paid on 12/12/2018. A check will be mailed to Northland Trust Services Inc. the first week of December through certified mail.

Approval of Claims: A motion was made by James Walth and seconded by Josh Thompson to approve the claims for the month of November totaling \$154,459.25. All voted in favor of the motion.

Roads:

Placid Drive: The Board received notification from Widseth, Smith Nolting that the work on the Placid Drive road improvement project has reached final completion.

White Pine Drive: Carrie Ruud will need to petition the Board with a request before any action is taken by the Board. David Gray left a phone message regarding his visit with the Township attorney. Carrie did not attend tonight's meeting.

County Road 31 and State Highway 6 (close to Deer Trail): David Gray will draft a letter to the Crow Wing County Board, to be reviewed at the December Board meeting, regarding traffic and sight line concerns at this intersection. He will also talk to Rob Hall regarding the Board's concerns with this intersection.

Road Overseer's Report/Steve Reilly: Steve presented the Board with a road budget update. He is working with Widseth, Smith, Nolting for recommendations regarding the line of sight and speed of vehicles on Placid Drive and Nelson Road. He will bring to the Board at the December meeting recommendations from Crow Wing Highway engineers regarding signage for Placid Drive. Brad Holmwig contacted Steve regarding the Township's advertisement for a tractor. Steve will inspect the tractor and discuss with the board at the December meeting. Steve will be billing Fletcher Trucking \$409.00 for damages to Black Lake Road. The White Pine stabilization project has been completed. The tractor is back to running order. Tempco was able to weld the wheels.

Variance Request: None

Town Hall Plant Update: There was nothing to report.

Emergency Preparedness: A motion was made by James Walth and seconded by Josh Thompson to approve the Emergency Preparedness policy procedure for the Township. All voted in favor of the motion.

James Walth attended a signage workshop sponsored by the University of Minnesota. He told the Board it was recommended at the workshop for the Township to have a signage policy along with an inventory of Township signs and a five year policy to replace the signs. Steve told the Board he has a sign inventory and has in the road budget to replace 20% of the signs every year. Jim told the Board he learned, from the workshop, there are only two instances where signs are required by State Statute which are railroad crossing signs and bridge weight signs. Steve will put together information to discuss, at the December Board meeting, regarding Township road signage.

General Election Update: Out of 962 eligible voters 809 votes were counted. Josh Thompson received 633 votes with 4 write in votes. David Gray received 627 with 4 write in votes. Several people who were City of Deerwood residents stopped by the Town Hall to vote. Since the City of Deerwood does mail in ballots they were asked to vote at the County Courthouse in Brainerd.

Crow Wing Township Officers Fall Meeting was held at the Town Hall the evening of October 22nd. Around 70 people attended the meeting.

A motion was made by James Walth and seconded by Josh Thompson to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

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Supervisor; _____ Clerk: _____