

Deerwood Township
Regular Monthly Board Meeting
Deerwood Town Hall/Skype
7:00pm
May 11, 2020

Board of Supervisors:

James Walth- Vice Chair
Josh Thompson - Supervisor
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. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by James Walth to approve the April 13, 2020 minutes. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by James Walth approve the Treasurer's Report subject to audit for the month ending April 30, 2020. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Claims: A motion was made by James Walth and seconded by Josh Thompson to approve the claims for the month of May totaling \$61,413.91 (includes \$20,197.50 for interest payment on road reconstruction bond) ck# 9348-9366, ET-F-05-2020, ET-P-05-2020. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Roads:

Road Overseer's Report/Steve Reilly: Steve presented the updated 2020 road report. So far this year the Township has spent \$79,502.00 on road maintenance. Steve presented a proposal for cutting vegetation in the ditches by leasing a tractor and cutter to be used for 5 weeks. A motion was made by James Walth and seconded by Josh Thompson to approve the contract for the lease. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The County is getting ready to start work on County Road 133. The Board discussed the possibility of installing guard rails along some of the roads in the Township. A County engineer would need to be involved if the Township moved forward with a plan in the future.

Spring Road Inspection: Setting a date and time has been put on hold due to the Governor's Stay-At-Home policy until the June Monthly meeting. Steve did do an inspection report which he and the Township road contractor developed which was presented to the Board.

Ordinance For Regulating Parking Along Township Roads: The Board decided to place the decision on hold for setting a date for a Special Meeting due to the Governor's Stay-At-Home policy until the Township can have more than 7 residents attending a Board meeting (6 ft. distancing policy).

Nelson Drive and Nelson Fork Road Rip Rap: James Walth told the Board the rip rap has been installed along Nelson Fork road. Rip rap on the Shirt Lake side still needs approval from the County. The DNR waived the wetland permitting process to the County for implementation.

Crow Wing County Tax Forfeited Land Classified Conservation: Carol Pundt told the Board 5 of the 6 parcels were approved by the DNR for sale. The CWC Land Commissioner needs to review the recommendations from the DNR.

Donation Requests: A motion was made by James Walth and seconded by Josh Thompson to deny all requests presented to the Board for donations (CWC Drug Court, CWC Historical Society, CWC Fair Association, Crisis Line). All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by James Walth and seconded by Josh Thompson to continue with in person voting (Deerwood Township) for the Primary and General elections in 2020. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously. A motion was made by James Walth and seconded by Josh Thompson to give Steve Reilly authority to spend Township monies to construct barriers to include plexi glass between election judges and people voting in person for the virus infection safety of the judges conducting the election. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously. A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by James Wath to pay the election judges a \$100 bonus each along with the hourly wage as long as the judge worked the entire 8 hour shift. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

COVID-19 Preparedness Plan: A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by James Walth to adopt the COVID-19 Preparedness Plan presented to the Board by Carol Pundt. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Peterson Lake Road: Josh Thompson said he noticed the lake water level is getting high which means there may be a beaver problem. Steve will check out the situation.

Variance Request: None presented to the Board.

Town Hall Plant Update: Steve fixed the flag pole and cleaned off the outside of the town hall building.

Other Business to Come before the Board:

A motion was made by James Walth and seconded by Josh Thompson to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor: _____ Dated: _____

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Supervisor; _____ Clerk: _____