

Deerwood Township
Regular Monthly Board Meeting
Deerwood Town Hall
7:00pm
October 14, 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, Carol Pundt, Amy Donovan, Steve Reilly, James Walth

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 James Walth and seconded by Josh Thompson to approve the September 14, 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 September 30, 2020. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The Township received \$33,200 from the State to be used for COVID 19 expenses incurred by the Township that were not in the 2020 budget.

Approval of Claims: A motion was made by James Walth and seconded by Josh Thompson to approve the claims for the month of October totaling \$30,361.93 ck# 9470- 9485, ET-F-10-2020, ET-P-10-2020. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Roads:

Road Overseer's Report/Steve Reilly: Steve presented the updated 2020 road report. The Township has spent \$278,791.10 of a \$287,465.00 budget. The Township has not received the bill for chip sealing roads this year. Steve is expecting that bill to be around \$90,000.

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).

Speed Limit Signs on CWC Road Transfers/David Gray: David told the Board he has not heard back from MNDOT regarding when a County Road is taken over by the Township whether the speed limit on the road way needs to be reestablished by the Township. There was discussion regarding differing speed limit signs on Beach Road. Half of Beach Road is a 30 mph and the other half is 40 mph depending which Township the road goes through. Steve will check further into the differing speed limit signs and which Township has the 30mph and which has the 40 mph installed along the roadway.

Sprayer For Road Chemical Use/Steve: Steve asked this topic to be deferred to Spring.

Variance Request: None

Town Hall Plant Update: SCR has given the Township an estimate of \$5,220 to install an ozone system onto the present heating system and to add a fresh air exchanger to the building. This upgrade to the Township ventilation system is due to COVID19 and the Board's concerns regarding the health, safety and welfare to visitors to the Town Hall and the general election judges. A motion was made by James Walth and seconded by Josh Thompson to have SCR do the work to install the ozone system and the fresh air exchanger. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The Board also asked Steve to get an estimate on duct cleaning.

CARES Act Allotment Resolution to Transfer Unused Funds to Crow Wing County: Will be presented to the Board at the November Board meeting.

CARES Act Allotment Funding: To date the Township has spent \$1,277.96 of the \$33,200.00 received. A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by James Walth to spend some of these funds on face shields for the election judges and pens to mark the ballots along with face shields for the Township Supervisors/Road Overseer. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Bonus For Election Judges Helping With General Election: A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by James Walth to give a \$200 incentive bonus along with the regular hourly pay to the election judges helping out with the General Election. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The bonus, in addition to the regular hourly pay, was added to help recruit enough judges to hold an in-person election at the Deerwood Townhall during the COVID 19 pandemic. The bonus will be paid through the CARES Act Allotment.

Set Board of Canvass Time and Date: A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by James Walth to set the date of November 9, 2020 at 6:55pm for the Board of Canvass meeting. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer Notary License Update/Amy: Amy is still working on researching the options for the license. A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by James Walth to compensate Amy \$100.00 for her time in completing the licensure requirements and \$100 to pay for the license. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Steven Jensen/Heartland Hockey Camp: Steve told the Board there have been some dangerous situations over the last 36 years where there has been 3 accidents and numerous close calls when his campers have been trying to cross Hwy 6 to go swimming at the lake across the road. This Spring he will be requesting a variance from Crow Wing County to access the lake from another property, which he owns.

Other Business to Come before the Board: Nothing to report.

A motion was made by James Walth and seconded by Josh Thompson to adjourn the meeting at 7:28pm. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

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