

Deerwood Township  
Regular Monthly Board Meeting  
Deerwood Town Hall  
7:00pm  
October 10, 2022

Board of Supervisors:

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

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

Present: David Gray, James Walth, Amy Donovan, Steve Reilly, Josh Thompson, Carol Pundt

Absent: None

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

A motion was made by James Walth and seconded by Josh Thompson to approve the amended agenda to include under (8k) Township Road Maintenance Record Recording. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by James Walth approve the September 12, 2022, Regular Monthly Board meeting minutes. All voted in favor of the motion to accept the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by James Walth to approve the Treasurer's Report, subject to audit, for the month ending September 30, 2022. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Claims: A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by James Walth to accept and approve the claims for the month of October totaling \$18,223.49 ck# 9960-9974, EFT-M-10-2022, EFT-F-10-2022, EFT-P-10-2022, and EFT-W-10-2022. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Judy Hamilton-McGafee Billing For Internet Security Discussion: The Board has not received a bill from Judy for the expenses. No action taken by the Board.

Roads:

Road Overseer's Report/Steve Reilly: Steve reviewed the updated road budget expenses, as of the end August 2022, with the Board. To date \$152,125.00 has been spent on Township maintained roads. The 2022 RAM truck should be ready for delivery by the middle of November. Steve will present the Board at the November meeting his recommendations for 2023 chip seal road projects. Steve is working on the Township road mileage certification.

Road Advisory Signage/Steve Reilly: Steve told the Board he has completed 90% of identifying signs in the Township. To date he has identified 107 advisory sign and 32 regulatory signs. Most of the regulatory signs are at the intersections of State and County roads.

Town Line Lake Road Speed Study: The Township received a letter from Kenneth Hansen, the District Traffic Engineer from MNDOT. The decision made by MNDOT is, "a set speed limit is not appropriate. Drivers on this roadway need to observe MN Statute 169.14 Subdivision 1, Duty to drive with due care".

Deer Trail Drive-Cuyuna Lakes Trail & IRRRB: Carol sent a letter to the County Attorney asking for his assistance in verifying the width of the roadway.

Culvert Purchase: Since the Township does not have a supply of culverts, when a culvert is installed on a Township maintained road the property owner will need to submit a bill for the culvert to the Township for payment. This policy will be observed until the Township has culverts.

Nelson Drive Rip Rap: The rip rap has been repaired to the Board's satisfaction.

Discussion Township Maintained Roads Record Recording: David Gray explained to the Board his concerns regarding how the Township needs to keep Township maintained roads from disappearing from Township control. Steve was asked to put together a memorandum to be filed with the clerk regarding roads undergoing maintenance prior to August 1, 2020.

Letter from Commissioner Nancy Daubenberger: David Gray received a letter from Commissioner Nancy Daubenberger regarding traffic concerns at the intersection of HWY 210 and County Road 6. There is a possibility that this intersection will be considered for inclusion in the 2028 road projects for MNDOT.

Variance Request: None

Town Hall Plant Update: Steve told the Board the generator will be installed by Mille Lacs Energy by the end of this year.

Crow Wing County Short Term Rental Policy Changes: David Gray is hoping to attend the Public Hearing regarding Short Term Rental Ordinance Revision on October 11, 2022, during the Crow Wing County Board of Commissioners regular Board meeting. To list a few of the Board's position regarding – (1) How does the County plan to regulate overuse? (2) Concerns regarding residential property used for commercial purposes. (3) The impact on the house market in the area. (4) The overuse of the private septic systems. (5) Vehicles blocking access to roadways for emergency vehicles.

Proxy Vote Form-MN Township's Association General Meeting. A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by David Gray to allow James Walth the proxy vote for David Gray and Josh Thompson at the Minnesota Township's Association General Session meeting on October 15<sup>th</sup>. All voted in favor of the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Other Business to Come before the Board:

A motion was made by Josh Thompson seconded by James Wlath to adjourn the meeting at 8:05pm. All voted in favor of the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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