

Deerwood Township
Regular Monthly Board Meeting
Deerwood Town Hall
May 12, 2025
7:00pm

Board of Supervisors:

Scott Brix-Supervisor

Josh Thompson - Vice-Chairman

David Gray – Chairman

Carol Pundt- Clerk

Amy Donovan - Treasurer

Steve Reilly – Road Overseer

Present: David Gray, Amy Donovan, Steve Reilly, Josh Thompson, Scott Brix, Carol Pundt

Absent: None

Attendees: Anderson Brothers Representative

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

A motion was made by David Gray and seconded Scott Brix to approve the agenda. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by David Gray and seconded by Scott Brix to approve the minutes of April 16, 2025, Board meeting and April 26, 2025, Special Meeting for Road Inspection. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by David Gray and seconded by Josh Thompson to approve the Treasurer's Report, subject to audit, for the month ending April 30, 2025. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously

Approval of Claims: A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by David Gray to accept and approve the claims for the month of May totaling \$41,325.19 ck# 10622-10673, EFT-F-05-2025, EFT-P-05-2025, and EFT-W-05-2025. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Roads:

Roads Bids for the Cascade Court and Black Lake Road Reclamation project were opened at 7pm. A motion was made by Scott Brix and seconded by Josh Thompson to accept the lowest responsible bidder which was Anderson Brothers Construction Company of Brainerd, LLC in the amount of \$149,060.30. Motion passed. David Gray recused himself.

Road Overseer's Report/Steve Reilly: Steve presented the Board with the monthly Road and Bridge Report. To date \$61792.00 has been spent on maintaining the roads in the Township.

Deer Trail Drive: The special public meeting to discuss options for the intersection of Deer Trail Road and Hwy 6 is scheduled May 19, 2025, at 7pm at the Deerwood Township building. A letter from Bruce Buttler was read by the Board. The letter will also be included in the Special Meeting Board packet.

Mower/Steve Reilly: Since the Township Board has decided to outsource the ditch mowing this year, Steve will not be working on fixing the mower at this time. The Orange Tractor is running fine. Steve still plans to use it this summer.

2025 Road Dust Control: A motion was made by Scott Brix and seconded by Josh Thompson to spend up to \$20,000 for dust control on the unpaved Township maintained roads. After discussion the motion was amended to include in the \$20,000 a second application to Deer Trail Drive in July which was a motion by Scott Brix and seconded by Josh Thompson. After discussion of the 1st amendment there was also a 2nd amendment to include an apology to Mr. Corbin for the miscommunication regarding the miles to be included in the final approved bid which was a motion by Josh Thompson and seconded by Scott Brix. All voted in favor of the amended motion. Motion passed unanimously. Also, to eliminate confusion in the future regarding road dust control on Township maintained roads Scott Brix suggested the Township adopt a policy regarding road dust control.

Culvert-Orland Mine Road – There is a beaver dam blockage which Steve Reilly is working on removing which will need approval by the landowner.

Road Inspection Job Estimates for Cedar Shores, Townline Lake Road, Cedar Heights Circle & Peterson Lake Road
Discussion: Cedar Shores – Before any work can be done there needs to be a discussion regarding tree removal.
A motion was made by Scott Brix and seconded by David Gray to approve the work needed on the Town Line Lake Road in the amount of \$10, 220.00 with a possible additional \$1,000 added to include fabric. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
Cedar Heights – Steve will talk to Brad to clarify the bid. There seems to be a lot of gravel needed.
Peterson Lake Road - A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by David Gray to approve the work on Peterson Lake Road in the amount of \$2,880.00 with the addition of fabric at a cost of no more than \$1,000.00. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
Beaver Creek Road – A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by David Gray to add a few loads of class 5 on the turn-a-round. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
Beach Road: A motion was made by Scott Brix and seconded by Josh Thompson to fix the patch on Beach Road. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Swanson Road: Carol Pundt will ask the Township lawyer to record the public hearing on May 27, 2025.

Variance Request: None

Town Hall Plant Update: Nothing to report.

Town Hall Building Insurance Valuation: The valuation on the Town Hall building was updated to \$535,616.00 which includes additional square footage. A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by Scott Brix to accept the revised valuation for insurance purposes. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the current Consolidated Liability Insurance coverage through Minnesota Association of Townships Insurance Trust.

Crow Wing Association of Township Spring Meeting/Carol Pundt: Carol updated the Board with what was mentioned at the meeting.

Other Business to Come Before the Board: Scott Brix would like clarification on who should be maintaining Agate Shores Road/Fox Trail. Is it Deerwood Township or the City of Cuyuna. Scott Brix also asked for clarification on the reciprocal agreement with Casey Lake.

A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by Scott Brix to adjourn the meeting at 8:50pm. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Attest:
Supervisor:_____ Dated:_____
Supervisor:_____
Supervisor;_____
