

Fish Lake Township
2170 Brunswick Road
Harris, MN 55032
January 11, 2010 Regular Monthly Meeting

Township Officials Present: Chair Diane Larkin
Supervisor Bob Cupit
Supervisor Bob Carter
Andrea Nekowitsch, Clerk
Sharon McAndrew, Treasurer

Chair Larkin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All in attendance stood and recited the pledge of allegiance.

Approve Agenda

Supervisor Cupit moved to approve the agenda as presented, Supervisor Carter 2nd. All in favor.

Road Report

Gary Guse reported that he maintained roads, equipment and gravel/salt stockpiles in the past month.

The road ordinance that Cambridge Township is using was reviewed by the Board. It was agreed that many changes will need to be made to conform to our Township's current standard and it will take time to put into motion.

Appointments

Mike Buckles (1280 Stark Road) asked for a variance to rebuild his burned home closer to the road than the required setback. The front of the new structure will sit where the old structure was at 103' from the road. The current County standard is to be 135' from the road. Moving the house back will encroach on existing out buildings, septic system and low lands. The Board reviewed the plans for the new house as well as the parcel on the g.i.s. map. Supervisor Cupit moved approval of the variance with no conditions, Chair Larkin 2nd. Vote: Cupit-I, Larkin-I, Carter-Nay. Supervisor Carter opposed, citing potential conflict when and if County ever rebuilds CSAS 10.

Treasurers Report

The board reviewed the treasurer's report.

Blacktop Fund	\$82,375.49	Driveway Fund	\$ 572.10
Equipment Fund	\$23,112.04	Dahlstorp Cemetery	\$9,260.24
Savings	\$ 211,733.86	Checking	\$13,680.34
SSD	\$63,468.27	Receipts	\$ 4,494.84

Supervisor Carter moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, approve payment of check #10056 to #10081 for the amount of \$42,438.91, authorize up to \$4000.00 in operating disbursements for the upcoming month, approve the claims list as presented and transfer \$8,000 from savings to checking, \$24,378.75 from SSD to checking and \$10,000 from savings to a blacktop fund CD at a new bank with the best interest. Chair Larkin 2nd. All in Favor. Treasurer McAndrew explained by moving the blacktop fund CDs to a different bank it would allow the township to stay under the \$250,000 federal insurance amount provided to banks.

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Approval of Minutes

Chair Larkin moved approval of minutes from the December 14, 2009 and January 9, 2010 meetings as discussed, Supervisor Carter 2nd. All in favor.

Clerk Report

None

Board Member Reports

None

Old Business

Supervisor Carter reported that he has spoken to Steve Putnam at Chisago County. The County would inspect the Monson property in Stark for hazardous materials if the Town Board requested.

Supervisor Cupit moved to reconvene at 9 a.m. on January 23, 2010, Chair Larkin 2nd. All in favor.

January 23, 2010

Chair Larkin reconvened the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

New Business

Cambridge Township Road Ordinance was not discussed.

Treasurer McAndrew reported that she had researched banks and Minnco had the best overall CD rate at 1.24%. She will purchase a CD for the blacktop fund in the amount of \$10,000. As current CD's at Cambridge State Bank mature, Treasurer McAndrew will then transfer those amounts to CD's at Minnco Bank. By doing so the Township will stay under the \$250,000 federally insured amount for each banking institution.

The 2011 budget was discussed and a first draft was completed.

Citizen Comment

None

Supervisor Cupit moved to adjourn at 2:30 p.m., Supervisor Carter 2nd. All in favor.