

Fish Lake Township
2170 Brunswick Road
Harris, MN 55032
Feb 9, 2009 Regular Monthly Meeting

Township Officials Present: Bob Carter, Chair
Bob Cupit, Supervisor
Tim O'Keefe, Supervisor
Sharon McAndrew, Treasurer
Andrea Nekowitsch, Clerk

Township Officials Absent: None

Chair Carter called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. All in attendance rose and said the pledge of allegiance.

Approve Agenda

Chair Carter moved to amend the agenda and add Mastec Company (utility permits) and computer software under clerks report and Dale Church Variance to beginning of meeting, Supervisor O'Keefe 2nd. All in favor.

Dale Free Church. Corey Wicklund presented plans for a new storage room that will be 12' from the property line. The current required setback is 40'. The church is expanding the children's nursery into current storage room and building a new storage room. The lot is 3.5 acres. Board viewed drawings of addition and current plat. Supervisor O'Keefe moved approval of variance for setback with no conditions, Supervisor Cupit 2nd. All in favor.

Road Report

Gary Guse presented the Jan 2009 Road Report. The grader had a new alternator, pulley and belts installed. The lawn tractor was serviced. Seven loads of sand were stockpiled in the shed and the grader was serviced as well as the John Deere tractor and loader. There is a statewide salt shortage this year; the township has been conserving what salt is remaining.

The radiator in the 1994 truck needs to be replaced. Gary presented the Board with bids from Ziegler \$2089, Boyer \$2285 and Sands Spring \$2121. The repair will take approximately 2 days. Supervisor O'Keefe moves to have Ziegler perform the radiator repair and possible water pump if needed with work not to exceed \$3500, Supervisor Cupit 2nd, All in favor.

Gravel bid to be advertised for 6,000-9,000 c.y. to be hauled this season. Bids to be opened at March 9, 2009 meeting.

A semi truck and trailer has been parked on Buffalo Trail in the Township's right of way .The Township will send a letter to Beverly Seline the owner of the property where the truck is parked.

Treasurers Report

Sharon presented the monthly treasurer report. Treasurer McAndrew also presented the 2008 Annual Cash and Fund totals for Board audit. Supervisor Cupit moved approval of 2008 audited figures at Board of Audit, Supervisor O'Keefe 2nd. All in favor.

Blacktop Fund	\$80,518.53	Driveway Fund	\$ 7,339.06
Equipment Fund	\$ 2,099.56	Dahlstorp Cemetery	\$9,251.74
Savings	\$ 174,068.10	Checking	\$ -1,232.76
SSD	\$44,015.96	Receipts	\$ 5,776.39

Supervisor O'Keefe moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, payment of check #9787 to #97805 for the amount of \$10,354.76, authorize up to \$4000 in operating disbursements for the upcoming month, approve the claims list as presented and transfer \$10,000 from savings to checking. Supervisor Cupit 2nd. All in Favor.

Supervisor Cupit moved to reconvene at 9a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 21, 2009, Supervisor O'Keefe 2nd. All in favor.

Feb. 21, 2009

Chair Carter called meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. An email was received on behalf of supervisor O' Keefe that he was unable to attend this meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Supervisor Cupit moved approval of the January 2009 minutes as discussed, Chair Carter 2nd.

Clerk Report

Fire Contracts. Clerk reminded Board about North Branch Fire Meeting at 5:00 p.m. on Feb. 23 and Cambridge Fire Meeting at 6:00 pm on the same night. Bob Carter will attend both meetings.

Driveway Permits. Clerk proposed a clause be added to driveway permits that deposits will be forfeited if driveways are not completed in a certain time frame. The Board changed wording and extended time to 18 months. Chair Carter moves to amend driveway permits with new language regarding deposits and completion of installation, Supervisor Cupit 2nd.

Chair Carter moves to transfer \$2900 from driveway fund to general fund from old permits that have not been closed and applicants can't be found, Supervisor Cupit 2nd.

A driveway permit deposit of \$2000.00 for Chicilo Homes remains open. Chicilo has gone out of business and can't be found. The driveway has not been completed and the home is now occupied. Supervisor Cupit moves to transfer \$2000.00 from driveway to general savings and Gary Guse will complete the driveway to township specifications this year, Chair Carter 2nd.

There is \$2435 in the driveway account in admin/inspection fees with no permits open. Chair Carter

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moves to transfer \$2000 from driveway savings to equipment fund, Supervisor Cupit 2nd.
Border road bills tabled until March meeting.

Clerk Nekowitsch asked to purchase new software for the office computer. Chair Carter moved to purchase new software, Supervisor Cupit 2nd.

Board Member Reports

None.

New Business

Gary has been using the shouldering machine to cut down ice. A wore out drum was broken. The estimated cost for repair is \$3,000-\$4,000. Gary is not here and this issue is tabled until the March meeting where Gary can provide more detailed information and prices.

Reviewed budget proposal for the 2009 annual meeting.

Old Business

None

Citizen Comment

Chair Carter moves to adjourn at 12:30 p.m., Supervisor Cupit 2nd.