

Unofficial Minutes of
Moe Twp Board of Supervisors
May 7, 2012 (audio recording available)

The meeting was called to order by Bruce Strandskov. All members of the Board were in attendance. The POA was given.

The agenda was modified to move up grader issues on old business, added under new business road spray chemicals and modified move fire proof safe to safes, and add an agenda item of Bruce. A motion was made to accept the agenda as modified. (m- Johnson, s- Bushard, v- unan.)

Bruce Strandskov, who will be moving out of the township, read his letter of resignation. The remaining board thanked him for his service. His resignation was accepted by motion. (m- Bushard, s- Johnson, v- unan.)

The minutes were approved as sent by e-mail. (m- Johnson, s- Bushard)

The Treasurer's report was then given. A motion was made to approve the report as given. (m- Johnson, s- Bushard) Funds will be rebalanced after the first half tax payment is received the end of June or first part of July. The monthly claims were read by the Clerk. (m- Johnson, s- Bushard, v- unan.)

OLD BUSINESS

Grader Issues

We had our rep from Ziegler here to discuss the issues we've been having. After much discussion the recommendation was to add weight to the front – Ziegler will send us the hooks, remove the 2 foot extension on the blade, going from 16 foot to 14 foot, not use the auto-shift in certain situations, and reprogram the computer to add roughly 20 additional horsepower. Caterpillar will need to approve the computer changes so as not to void the warranty – Todd (Ziegler rep) will get back to us on this as well as the blow-by issue at our next meeting on June 4th.

Elk Lake Report

Johnson worked with Jerry Haggemiller to get everything to DNR to review our permit. We have 4 bids for tiling ranging from \$14,000 to over \$26,000 but each include different specs, and only 1 from Riley Brothers for the road.

Road Tour Report

We are planning on using about 108 loads of gravel this year with an additional estimated 30 loads to fix water issues, etc. This compares to 255 in 2009, 246 in 2010 and 130 in 2011.

- Replace Walstad Road culvert – tile is heaved, add rock and gravel.
- Clean culvert on West Mill Lake Road, then repair road and look at possible tile.
- Repair Mill Lake Shores once it dries out. Maybe use rock to solidify road.
- Repair frost boils on Beauty Point Road, possibly tile, add gravel. Also remove bushes in the road right of way – Eisland.
- Remove rocks on Stone Ridge – 11 loads.
- Moe Hall Road was under water due to a clogged tile. Backhoe Bob is in the process of replacing the tile with 300 feet of 8 inch tile for \$5,800.

Gravel Quotes

Accepted Okerlund Gravel quote at \$7.75 per yard for class 5. (m- Johnson, s- Bushard, v- unan.)

Neubauer Update

The county did send a letter out to Neubauer and has not heard anything back. He has until the end of June to act.

Dust Control Quote

We committed to 9000 gallons of chloride from Fergus Power Pump at \$.82 per gallon and order 250 gallons from Specialty Turf and Ag at about \$.21 per gallon as compared to chloride to be used in the West Mill Lake Road and Timber Shores areas putting down 2 applications to see how it performs.

WSN bill

The engineering plan for tiling Elk Lake is not what we asked for – we wanted an impact study for what happens downstream.

Mowing Townhall and Shed

We paid last year's mowing bill and contracted with Tower Hills Lawning to mow again this year, mowing 2 times per month as needed.

Holmes City First Responders

We have still not received the certificate of insurance or the contract from Holmes City First Responders. Egenes will follow up again with Keith Ramsey.

NEW BUSINESS

Rodent Control

Johnson obtained pricing from Plunketts for rodent control. Options are: \$250 for a one time shot until they're gone, or \$100 up front and \$40 per month until it's under control then go quarterly at \$65 per quarter. A motion was made to go with \$100 up front then \$40 per month. (m- Johnson, s- Bushard, v- unan.)

CAPX

Bushard checked with Robley to see if they have forms we could use to have CAPX sign to protect us from having to repair roads damaged from their heavy equipment. The County has nothing. Bushard had an agreement that had been drawn up for Belle Plaine by Attorney Bob Ruppe. CAPX wanted us to sign their statement but the attorney's agreement requires a bond that assures we are covered. Their fees are \$160 per hour and they estimate 4 hours in negotiating with CAPX and 4 to 5 hours to attend town board meetings. If successful, these fees would be paid for by CAPX and not the township. They also suggested partnering with surrounding townships that CAPX will be passing through to add them to the agreement – strength in numbers. Bushard will call surrounding townships to see if there is any interest in joining us. (m- Johnson, s- Bushard, v- unan.)

Mosquito Lane Shoulder and Road Repair

Mosquito Lane needs to have gravel added to the shoulder there and other places along the blacktop roads. Johnson will call Paz Excavating to get a quote. Mark Lee is preparing a quote for blacktop repair.

Sell Reclaimer Disc

Since we do not use the reclaimer disc we are looking to sell it for \$2,500. Bushard has an interested party - he will call him back to see if he wants it.

Road Ditch Spray

Ronnie wants to order road ditch spray for the ditches and shoulders. Tell him to go ahead and order it.

Move Fireproof File Cabinets to Hall Basement

We will be moving the fireproof file cabinets that Pat and Wayne have to the basement of the town hall. Alex Movers seemed a bit high on their quote, Strandkov suggested calling Northern Lights Movers. Johnson had recently reinforced the steps to the basement so we should be able to get them moved in without them collapsing. Egenes will call Dan Vipond (Northern Lights Movers), to get a quote to move both.

Shed Survey

The Township shed site was surveyed and the west driveway is not on our land.

New Board Member Appointment

We discussed appointing a new supervisor. We have an interested party and can appoint at the June meeting.

Announcements and Correspondence

The Clerk read all correspondence for the month.

June meeting time and place

It was agreed by all that the first Monday in June will work for all.

Public Input

Bruce Strandkov commented on how the DNR now requires the outlet on tiles to be 4 inches higher than the inlet side to lessen the likelihood of the main body of water backfilling into the one being drained.

A motion was made to adjourn. (m- Johnson, s- Bushard, v- unan.)

Respectfully submitted by,

Todd Egenes, Clerk

Chairperson _____