

Board Meeting Minutes
Maine Prairie Township
December 14, 2021

Attendees: Chair Kuechle, Supervisor Wicker, Zoning Administrator Froehling, Joe Hendricks, Terry Mick; Supervisor Loewen and Deputy Clerk Robinson attended by conference call;
Absent: Clerk/Treasurer Hunt

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Kuechle with the pledge to the flag.

Planning and Zoning meeting opened at 7:00 p.m.

Board meeting reconvened at 7:20 p.m.

Motion by Supervisors Wicker/Loewen to approve the November 9, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed.

Nine (9) claims were presented for approval and payment for the month of November totaling \$6,015.94 (see claims list attached). Receipts for November totaled \$15,744.95. Motion by Supervisors Wicker/Loewen to approve the treasurer's report subject to audit and pay claims as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

New Business:

East Shore Drive Snow Plowing: Supervisor Wicker received a call from Joe Ziebol stating that he has stakes identifying his yard for snowplowing purposes. His complaint is that the plow damaged some of his yard due to a pontoon/trailer parked across from his property. Later in the day, Supervisor Wicker received a call from Brian Heying (owner of the pontoon/trailer) asking about the width of East Shore Drive. Supervisor Wicker advised both parties that East Shore Drive is not a recorded township road but rather a narrower use of maintenance road. John told Heying that the pontoon/trailer would need to be moved and that the Township would not assume any liability should damage occur to the boat due to its placement so close to the road. Supervisor Wicker also advised Heying that the Township would not enter into any disputes between neighbors. Discussion among the Board came to the conclusion that Supervisor Loewen will contact Attorney Couri for guidance on any action by the Township.

Another resident, Jeff Schmieg, called Supervisor Wicker to inquire as to why the Township doesn't plow the road to his property. The road in question is not a Township road. John will advise Mr. Schmieg.

Old Business:

Road Projects in 2022: This issue will be further addressed at the January board meeting. Decision at that time whether to request bids or quotes. Due to the economy, roads under consideration for summer 2022 are: Overlay Powder Ridge Road from Highway 15 to 93rd Avenue; consider patching 73rd Avenue and 103rd Avenue. Supervisor Loewen will contact Knife River to get a feel for pricing next year.

There being no further business, motion by Supervisors Loewen/Wicker to adjourn the Board meeting at 8:01 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Robinson
Deputy Clerk