

Board Meeting Minutes
Maine Prairie Township
March 4, 2019

Attendees: Chair Kuechle, Supervisor Loewen, Supervisor Wicker, Zoning Administrator Froehling, Clerk/Treasurer Hunt, Deputy Clerk Robinson, Joe Hendricks and Jim Young.

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 7:10 p.m.

Motion by Supervisor Wicker/Supervisor Loewen to approve the February 12, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Supervisor Wicker/Supervisor Loewen to approve the February 27, 2019 Special Meeting Minutes.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed.

Eight (8) claims were presented for approval and payment for the month of February in the amount of \$49,967.36 (see claims list attached). Receipts for February totaled \$48,364.12.

Motion by Supervisors Wicker/Loewen to approve the Treasurer's report subject to Audit and pay claims as presented. All in favor, motion carried

A brief discussion was held regarding the upcoming 2020 budget. Motion by Supervisor Loewen/Supervisor Wicker to adopt the 2020 budget. All in favor, motion carried.

New Business:

Kimball Golf Course Liquor Renewal: Motion by Supervisor Loewen and seconded by Supervisor Wicker to approve the Kimball Golf Course Liquor Permit. All in favor, motion carried.

2019 Road Maintenance Quotes:

Road maintenance quotes were received from Hendricks Sand & Gravel Inc. for blading/shoulder reclaiming, gravel hauling and mowing. The quotes were opened and read at the meeting.

After review of the blading/shoulder reclaim quotes, gravel hauling quotes, and mowing quotes a motion was made by Supervisor Loewen/Supervisor Wicker to accept the quotes for blading/shoulder reclaiming, gravel hauling and mowing from Hendricks Sand & Gravel Inc. for the summer 2019 work. All in favor, motion passed.

Dust Control:

The Township will again be offering dust control. A notice will be published in the Tri-County News on March 28 and April 4 and letters with an application will be sent to residents who requested dust control in 2018. No decision was made at this time to enter into a contract.

Score Grant:

Clerk Hunt to apply online for the 2019 Score Grant. An online form will be submitted to the County to be considered for this grant.

Temporary Trunk Hwy Haul Road Release/150th St, from TH 15, E.40 miles to Sommers Pit:

The Temporary Trunk Hwy Haul Road Release for 150th Street from TH 15, E.40 miles to Sommers Pit was reviewed by the Board. The Board decided to wait to sign this release until the end of 2019. Supervisor Loewen to take pictures and the pictures will be filed accordingly.

Insured Sweep Account ICS: Tabled until the April 9th Board Meeting.

Old Business:

Kenneth Zutz – Stockpiling: Discussion was held by the Board regarding this ongoing issue. Adam Bourassa, Water Service Manager for the City of St. Cloud notified Supervisor Wicker that if the stockpile is not removed by March 25, 2019 there would be a breach of contract. Clerk Hunt to contact Township Attorney Mike Couri for advice on this issue and how to proceed going forward.

Cobblecrest Drive: Tabled until the April 9th Board Meeting.

2019 Road Projects:

Supervisor Wicker moved to accept the Stearns County Public Works Project Bid Abstract dated 2/22/2019 for the reclamation and paving in summer 2019 of 155th Street, Caisson Road and Caldron Road. Seconded by Supervisor Loewen. All in favor, motion carried. Three bids were received by the County for the work to be done in Maine Prairie Township. The contractors bidding the projects are Knife River Corp.-\$577,230.10; Central Specialties Inc.-\$603,226.10; and Duininck Inc.-\$645,038.34.

Maine Prairie's Advertisement for Bids for 135th Street, 137th Street from 83rd Avenue to Badger Road, 83rd Avenue from 135th Street North to 137th Street and paving 83rd Avenue from County Road 44 North to the intersection of 135th Street will be published in the Cold Spring Record on March 12th and March 19th. Bid packets are also available online at QuestCDN. Bids will be opened at the April 9th Board Meeting.

Deputy Clerk Robinson to review MPT/Contractor contracts for the 2019 Road Improvements.

Discussion/Information

- The Financial Statements for presentation at the Annual Meeting were reviewed and approved by the Board.
- Chair Kuechle to attend the 2019 Short Course Trainings on March 26th
- Board of Appeals and Equalization Meeting to be held at Maine Prairie Township Hall on April 23, 2019 at 4:30 pm.
- Chair Kuechle to attend the Noxious Weed Meeting on April 3, 2019.
- MNDOT Meeting is scheduled for March 19th from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the MPT Town Hall to discuss the HWY 15 project this summer.

There being no further business, motion by /Supervisors Wicker/Loewen to adjourn the Board meeting at 9:00 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Hunt
Clerk/Treasurer