

**Regular Meeting Sunrise Township
Thursday June 21, 2007
Royal Wilcox Community Center, Sunrise**

Vice Chairperson Jack Kopp called the Sunrise Township regular Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board Members Present:

Lyle Thompson
Manley Olson
Jack Kopp
Gerald Bjork

Clerk Wendy Kowalke

Treasurer: Karen Anderson

Board Members Absent

Shane Stepp

Others Present:

Mike Caron, Tiller
Teri Geist
Andrea and Mike Vonderharr
Alton Spilde
Mark & Kim Arnold
Warren White
Commissioner Rick Green

Adopt June Meeting Agenda: Motion by Lyle Thompson, second by Gerald Bjork to adopt agenda. Motion carried.

Meeting Minutes: Motion by Manley Olson, second by Gerald Bjork to accept the May 2007 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Claims list 2065 through 2076 being submitted for approval. Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Manley Olson to accept the treasurer's report with additional expenditures of:

Premium invoice	\$2,676.50
North Branch Post Master (box fee)	\$36.00Nextel
\$64.48Brinks Home Security	\$111.79
Cheri Cunningham (monthly website)	\$15.00
Al Tschida (Tiller Pit)	\$900.00
Al Tschida (Harris Annexation)	\$648.00
Lyle Thompson (Mileage – trees down)	\$10.19

Motion carried.**Joywood Development – Cracks in Road (Mike and Andrea Vanderharr):** the following issues were presented to the Town Board:

- **Street Signs:** Mike and Andrea indicated that the street signs are continually being removed. It was indicated to Mike and Andrea that Sunrise Township is aware of this issue and replace signs as needed. It was asked of Mike and Andrea that if they notice a sign missing to please call to inform the Township.
- **Speed Limit:** Mike and Andrea are concerned about the excessive speeding on Joywood. It was indicated that the state sets the speed limit. They should contact the state to follow procedure to have this changed if possible.

- **Crack Sealing:** It was recommended to Maintenance Supervisor, Lynn Wolleat, to seek out , at least, two (2) quotes for crack sealing. It was also indicated to Lynn Wolleat to contact the Chisago County to check out who they use.
- Sunrise Township will not need to advertise for crack sealing due to the fact that crack sealing will be very minimal for Sunrise. (*Motion by Manley Olson, second by Gerald Bjork to advertise for sealed crack sealing bids. Motion carried. Manley Olson rescinded his motion due to the fact that the cost will be at a minimum.*)

Fuel Tank Wiring: Motion by Lyle Thompson, second by Gerald Bjork to accept the estimate of \$550 from Lowell Nelson Electric for wire installation at Town Garage for 3 diesel pumps. Motion carried.

2nd Street Culvert: Timeline for this project to be complete is July 2007. Lynn Wolleat indicated the digging would be done by a contractor due to gas lines.

Lowden Bridge (Mark Beavens – White Pine): It was indicated by the Board that the White Pine on Mark Beavens property is to be avoided at all costs during the Lowden Bridge Project.

Culverts (Driveway Culverts): Place on July 2007 Agenda.

School House Rental: Motion by Manley Olson, second by Gerald Bjork that Sunrise Township Citizens may rent the school house for \$50 with a \$100 deposit. Citizens that do not live in Sunrise Township will need to come to the Board for Township Rental Approval. Citizens who rent the school house will need to obtain a key from the Town Clerk prior to their rental date. Motion carried.

Country Insurance: Place on July 2007 Agenda

Qwest Telephone Utility on Lowden: Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Lyle Thompson to accept the Qwest Job Number 72M1IUE (NBRNMNNB) to place, construct and thereafter maintain a telephone utility along Lowden Avenue. Motion carried.

Boyer Trucks: Motion by Lyle Thomspson, second by Gerald Bjrok to authorize no more than \$5,000 to truck fixed. Motion carried.

Part-Time Employee: Motion by Lyle Thompson, second by Manley Olson to post a part-time maintenance position with a CDL endorsement for two (2) weeks by Sunrise Township. Wage rage will be \$14.00 to \$15.00, depending on qualifications, with no benefits. Sunrise Town Board will leave hiring decision to Lynn Wolleat's discretion. Employee will be paid every two (2) weeks. Motion carried.

Park Board Volunteer: Warren White indicated that there is 250 cubic yards to be removed from the dam site. To have the dam removed would cost approximately \$25,000 (concrete only); \$105,000 to take out completely including grading. Sunrise Township would like to see the Voluntary Park Board try to come up with grant money to have this dam removed. Clerk Kowalke to try and obtain a DNR grant for the rest of the park land/ trail improvements.

Lowden Bridge: Warren White indicated road closure for Lowden Avenue will be June 25, 2007 through July 10, 2007.

Gravel Pit: Developers Agreement:

2.1.7 Public Improvement, Item B

Motion by Lyle Thomspson, second by Manley Olson to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission to revise this section to state the following

“Site grading, ponds, swales, and ditches;

2.1.9 Preliminary Plans and Pre-construction Meeting

Leave this item the same. Pre-construction is not under the jurisdiction of the township.

2.1.24 – Warranty and Warranty Period

Motion by Manley Olson, second by Gerald Bjork to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission to revise the following to state:

“...not to exceed 50% of the original estimated cost of the Public Improvements, ...

2.1.12 Security and 2.1.24 Warranty and Warranty Period

This Item will remain as “Cash Only”

Snow Plowing of Roads - Maintenance: Sunrise Town Board would like the Planning Commission to take another look at this second, along with Attorney Al Tschida, to come up with correct language for snowplowing and maintenance.

Driveway: Motion by Lyle Thomspson, second by Gerald Bjork where culverts are required the following minimums to apply:

- Minimum culvert size – minimum 15"
- Minimum culvert length – 30' plus aprons
- Slope to be 3:1 (culvert length may need to be extended to meet slope)

Motion carried.

Maintenance Report:

- Many down trees after storm
- Lynn Wolleat asked the Town Board if they would like him to keep grading at the park to park on Ferry Road. It was the consensus of the Board to Stop Grading this section of road. This should be maintained by the state.
- Lime Rock: Motion by Manley Olson, second by Gerald Bjork to obtain one (1) load of lime rock for the Sunrise Ballfield. Motion carried.
- Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Manely Olson to approve calcium chloride be placed on the north portion of Poor Farm Road for gravel hauling. Motion carried.
- Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Manley Olson to approve sand for the Lowden Bridge project will be coming out of the Wilcox Pit in the amount of \$1.25 to \$1.50 per cubic yard. Motion carried.

Commissioner Rick Greene Update: Rick Greene was presented to give a County update.

Zoning: Place on July 2007 Agenda.

Sunrise Park Vandalism: Clerk Kowalke to contact the Chisago County Sheriff's office to ask them to drive through Sunrise Park on their route.

Tiller Corporation – Purchase Agreement with Sunrise Township: Attorney Al Tschida was present to discuss the Purchase Agreement between Tiller Corporation and Sunrise Township.

Attorney Tschida indicated Phase 1 needs to be completed to protect the citizens of Sunrise.

If the Agreement goes to Phase 2, Sunrise Township wanted to be able to end the Agreement. Tiller Corporation was in agreement with this as long as they were included to end the contract.

- Attorneys Fees: Tiller Corporation was to be able to acquire reasonable fees – Just Litigation.
- Motion by Jack Kopp, second by Manley Olson that Lyle Thompson can sign the Purchase Agreement in the absence of Gerald Bjork. Motion carried.
- Motion by Manley Olson, second by Lyle Thompson to start title work. Motion carried. Jack Kopp will obtain a quote for abstract and title commitment.
- In the Purchase Agreement, Item R5 need to be changed to December 31, 2007.

Attorney Tschida indicated the following:

- Abstract: Need 45 day for title work from signing. An additional 15 days is needed to accept.
- Attorney Tschida indicated more than 30 days to accept agreement, would like 60.
- Environmental: Phase 1 needs to be completed.
- A mutual end to the purchase agreement is needed. Mutual out, trigger 30 days after Phase 1.
- Legal Fees: Motion by Manley Olson, second by Gerald Bjork that the prevailing party pay court costs and litigation fees, but not attorneys fees.

Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Lyle Thompson to accept and pay Attorney Al Tschida's invoice in the amount of \$900.00. Motion carried.

Harris Annexation: Sunrise Township needs to compile a list of expenses that can be expected. Additional items address:

- Negotiate with Harris
- Developer pay for township expense
- Roads
- Ditches
- Water
- Get tax statements from farm.

Motion by Manley Olson, second by Gerald Bjork to adjourn at 11:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Clerk Wendy Kowalke

Shane Stepp, Chairperson