

**Regular Meeting Sunrise Township
Thursday February 21, 2008
Royal Wilcox Community Center, Sunrise**

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

Board Members Present:

Shane Stepp
Lyle Thompson
Gerald Bjork
Jack Kopp
Manley Olson

Clerk Wendy Kowalke
Treasurer: Karen Anderson

Others Present:

Lynn Wolleat, Lead Maintenance
Rick Greene, Commissioner
Loren Johnson
John Pelant, Harris Council Member
Mike Kriz
Hardy Boyce
Rick Smisson, Harris Mayor

Kip Rydberg, Rydberg & Sons
Steve Haas, Haas Const.
Darrell Podvin, Northland
Chris Tilberg, Northland
Scott Walberg
Gary Johnson

Adopt Agenda: Motion by Manley Olson, second by Gerald Bjork to adopt the February 2008 Agenda with the following addition. Motion carried.

Meeting Minutes: Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Manley Olson to approve the January 2008 meeting minutes with the following corrections: Under Almelund Fire and Rescue: “Bill” should be “Bob”; and under Gravel Hauling and Crushing, Seal Coat and Calcium Chloride date should be February 21, 2008 instead of February 15. Motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report: Motion by Manley Olson, second by Gerald Bjork to accept the treasurer’s report and claims list for approval 2275 through 2287 as presented with the following additional disbursements:

Hardy Boyce (69 pair of gopher feet)	\$69.00
North Country Glass.....	\$280.20
Nextel	\$65.72
Post Review.....	\$39.00
Concept Financial (Hydraulic motor)	\$106.50
Ziegler Loan	\$9,437.64
Attorney Al Tschida (Bruce Fagen Annexation / Harris)	\$792.00
Attorney Al Tschida (Adult Use Ordinance)	\$396.00
Casterton Receipt	\$15.00

Center City Fire Dept. for Pull Tab Dispenser: Motion by Jack Kopp, second by Gerald Bjork to accept the Township Certification of gambling Approve for the Center City Firemens Relief Association to conduct lawful gambling described as Pull Tab Dispensing Machine to be conducted at the Sunrise River Pub and Grill. Motion carried.

Commission Rick Greene Update: Commissioner Rick Green updated the citizens and the Town Board of Sunrise on 800 Megahertz system. Newest radio system for emergency use purposes.

Gravel Hauling Sealed Bid Opening: Gravel Hauling for 2008 is calculated by the Ton. Bjorkland rescinded their bid based on they bid hauling by per yard. Bids were received by:

Northland Aggregate, Inc., Mora	\$53,000.00 (includes watering)
Hass Construction, Ogilvie	\$62,550.00 plus \$65 per hour for watering
R.E. Peterson, Inc.	\$83,250 plus \$75 per hour for watering
Rydberg & Sons, Inc., Pine City	\$64.95 per hour, \$1.25 per load (not bid as specified)
Bjorklund Co, Isanti	(rescinded bid)

Motion by Jack Kopp, second by Manley Olson to accept the low bid of \$53,000 by Northland as long as equipment conditions are met and Certificate of Insurance is provided.

Gravel Crushing Sealed Bid Opening: Gravel Crushing and Stockpile of Modified Class 5 Aggregate with 10 to 12% binder for Sunrise Township bids were received by Rydberg & sons, Inc., Pine City; Northland Aggregate, Inc., Ogilvie; HanSon Custom Crushing, Inc., Forest Lake, Stommes Construction, Inc., St. Cloud; and Johnson Crushing, Clearwater. .

Stommes Construction, Inc.	\$1.90 ton - \$42,750 (3/4" rock)
Northland Aggregate, Inc., Mora	\$1.57 per ton - \$35,325 (1" rock – too big)
Johnson Crushing, Clearwater.....	\$2.10 ton - \$47,250 (1" rock – too big)
Rydberg & Sons, Inc.	\$2.30/ton
HanSon Custom Crushing, Inc., Forest Lake.....	\$2.32 ton - \$52,200 (no rock size specified)

Motion by Jack Kopp, second by Gerald Bjork to accept low bid by Stommes Construction of \$42,750.00 as long as binder, scaling and testing is met. Certificate of Insurance must be provided. Motion carried

Harris Fire: Harris Mayor Rick Smission was present and asked to have Harris Fire Department Placed on the March 13, 2008 Agenda due to Chief Will Lacina being called away on an emergency. Harris Fire Dept. will be placed on the March 13, 2008 Sunrise Town Board Agenda.

2009 Budget Approval to be Presented at the Sunrise Annual Meeting: Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Manley Olson to approve the 2009 Levy of \$601,646.00 to be presented to the Citizens of Sunrise Township. This is a 0% increase instead of the standard 12% population increase. Sunrise Township expects to receive 90%. Sunrise Citizens should not see an increase in their township taxes. Motion carried.

Volunteer Park Board: Gerald Bjork to request topography maps from Chisago County on Township owned parcels. The Volunteer Park Board to meet on February 28, 2008.

Country Insurance: No action taken.

Seal Coat: Place on March 13, 2008 Agenda (approximately ¾ mile)

Calcium Chloride: Place on March 13, 2008 Agenda. Discussion took place to be placed on the Association of Townships agenda for a volume discount if completed with Chisago County.

State of Minnesota – Best Practices Act: Directive given to Clerk Kowalke to fill out and send to the State of Minnesota.

Bruce Fagen Annexation with City of Harris: Motion by Lyle Thompson, second by Gerald Bjork to accept the “Agreement and Joint Resolution for Orderly Annexation Between the Township of Sunrise and City of Harris” signed February 21, 2008 with the condition of “*g. This resolution must be adopted by the City of Harris within 120 days of Sunrise Township adoption hereof, or Sunrise Township’s approval automatically lapses*”. Motion carried with Manley Olson and Jack Kopp sustaining for the following reasons: 1) concerns of the previous 120 Annexation with Harris not being developed, and 2) Can’t add no guaranty’s.

Discussion took place that the City of Harris can take land in phases. Other points of interest by Attorney Al Tschida include: 1) There is no guaranty that Harris will approve, 2) There is no guaranty that the Boundary Office will approve this; and 3) The payment language proposed by Mr. Fagen calls for a lump sum immediate payment. This is fine, but Minn. Stat. 414.036 provides that reimbursement to the Township “shall be completed in approximately equal payments over not less than two or more than eight years from time of annexation.

Motion by Jack Kopp, second by Gerald Bjork to accept and pay attorney’s fees of \$792.00. Motion carried.

Adult Use Ordinance: It was discussed that Sunrise does not need its own Adult Use Ordinance because the existing Chisago County Ordinance eliminates any possibility of opening a facility in Sunrise Township. Attorney Tschida indicated that Township location indicated by Chisago County indicated any adult use facility would be too close to any residence with day care facility, church and liquor license facility. Any Township ordinance would have to be more restrictive than the County Ordinance by State Law.

Motion by Jack Kopp, second by Gerald Bjork to accept and pay attorney’s fees of \$396.00. Motion carried.

Tiller Corporation Land Exchange with Sunrise Township: Motion by Jack Kopp, second by Gerald Bjork to sign gift letter and forward to Tiller Corporation. Motion carried.

Web-site, Sunrise Township: Motion by Lyle Thompson, second by Gerald Bjork to switch internet host company to Berry Bros., because of almost losing domain name with current provider. Motion carried.

Voice Mail: Clerk Kowalke to check into the cost of voice mail on home phone to be able to assist the citizens of Sunrise Township more efficiently.

Developer Agreement, Sunrise Planning Commission: Clerk Kowalke informed the Town Board of the recommend of the Sunrise Planning Commission not to authorize to charge for changes to the developers agreement without direction from the Town Board.

Snow Fence – Olson Road (Bauer): Directive given to Clerk Kowalke to write letter indicated that Mr. Bauer remove snow fence that is placed in the right of way when reasonably feasible. Structures are not allow in the right of way.

Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Manley Olson to adjourn at 10:40 p.m. Motion carried.

Clerk Wendy Kowalke

John (Jack) Kopp, Chairperson