

**Regular Meeting Sunrise Township
Thursday March 13, 2008
Royal Wilcox Community Center, Sunrise**

Clerk Kowalke called the Sunrise Township regular Board Meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.
Pledge of Allegiance was not recited due to the fact it was recited at the Canvass Board Meeting that directly preceded the regular Town Board meeting.

Board Members Present:

Lyle Thompson
Gerald Bjork
Jack Kopp
Stephen Merten

Clerk Wendy Kowalke
Treasurer: Karen Anderson

Board Members Absent

Manley Olson

Others Present:

Lynn Wolleat, Lead Maintenance
Muriel Kennedy

Engineer Warren White
James McCarthy

New Officer Oath: Stephen Merten took New Officer Oath.

Appointment of Chair: Vice Chair Jack Kopp called for nomination for Chair Person. Gerald Bjork nominated Jack Kopp for Chair, seconded by Stephen Merten. Hearing no other nominations, motion for Jack Kopp to be Chair carried.

Appointment of Vice Chair: Motion by Lyle Thompson, second by Gerald Bjork to have Stephen Merten be Vice Chair for the 2008 Election Year. Hearing no other nominations, motion carried.

Meeting Minutes: Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Lyle Thompson to approve the February meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Stephen Merten to accept the treasurer's report and claims list 2300 through 2312 for approval with the following additional disbursements:

Jimmy's Pizza (election judge)	\$24.44
Subway (election judges)	\$26.81
Wendy Kowalke (mileage reimbursement)	\$51.51
Gerald Bjork (mileage reimbursement)	\$59.09
MN Bennefit Association (life insurance)	\$565.00
North Branch Printing (2008 township ballots)	\$58.58
Olson Equipment	\$68.92

Other Items for discussed.

- Continue to print percentage report
- Jack Kopp would like to see a breakdown of current investments
- Motion by Stephen Merten, second by Lyle Thompson to move \$90,000 into savings. Motion carried.

Ilstrup, Jason – not present (boulders in right of way): Jason Ilstrup requested to be placed on the April 2008 agenda.

Deering, Donald – not present (driveway): Donald Deering requested to be placed on the April 2008 Agenda.

Mailbox – Final Inspection: Clerk Kowalke to talk to County about placing the swinging mailbox mechanism on their final inspection

Park Board – James McCarthy: James McCarthy was present to discuss that there is a Sunrise River Clean-up Study taking place. James McCarthy is meeting with the Army Corps of Engineers regarding the Sunrise Dam to be removed. The Sunrise Dam may be removed at no cost to Sunrise Township. Sunrise would then need to place rip rap to prevent erosion. Motion by Lyle Thompson, second by Stephen Merten to accept the Resolution for Sunrise Township to work with the Army Corps of Engineer to improve the Sunrise Park. Motion carried.

It was mentioned that the Town Board has asked the Volunteer Park Board to come up with a park plan to include the land on County Road 9.

Engineer White stated his costs to get current park plan which includes the Sunrise Park and trail system ready for bid would be approximately \$3,500.00. Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Stephen Merten to have Engineer White complete CADD Drafting, Specification preparation, Bidding coordination and questions, Bid summary and permit applications and meetings. Motion carried.

Sunrise Board member stated they are concerned about vandalism as the park gets developed.

Commissioner Rick Greene: Commissioner Rick Greene gave his update at the Annual Town Meeting.

Local Board of Appeal and Equalization: The Local Board of Appeal and Equalization will be held on Wednesday, April 16, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. at the Royal Wilcox Community Center, Sunrise, MN.

Voting Booths: Motion by Stephen Merten, second by Gerald Bjork to order two (2) new voting booths and one (1) handicap booth, for a total of three (3) new booths. Motion carried.

Harris Fire: Representatives from Harris did not attend the March 2008 meeting. Clerk Kowalke to follow up with letter asking Harris to attend the April 2008 meeting.

Gravel Crushing Contracts: Place on the April 2008 meeting agenda.

Gravel Hauling Contracts: Place on the April 2008 meeting agenda

Northland Aggregate: Clerk Kowalke to follow up with Northland Aggregate to inform them Sunrise will need their Federal ID number and workers compensation information.

Computers: Place on April 2008 meeting agenda.

Motion by Lyle Thompson, second by Gerald Bjork to adjourn at 8:42 p.m. Motion carried.

Clerk Wendy Kowalke

John (Jack) Kopp, Chairperson