

**Regular Meeting Sunrise Township
Thursday, September 17, 2009
Royal Wilcox Community Center**

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

Board Members Present:

Jack (John) Kopp
Manley Olson
Gerald Bjork
Joel Peterson
Stephen Merten

Treasurer: Karen Anderson
Clerk: Wendy S. Kowalke

Others Present: Lynn Wolleat – Lead Maintenance
R.E. Peterson (Richard)
Loren Johnson
Martha Arnold
Ken Anderson
Joyce Meyers, Thatcher
Paul Steward
Commissioner Rick Greene
Denny Betterly

Approve Agenda: Motion Jerry Bjork, second by Joel Peterson to accept the agenda with the addition of Richard Peterson just before the citizen’s forum.

Meeting Minutes: Motion by Stephen Merten, second Manley Olson, to accept the August 2009 meeting minutes with the removal of Manley Olson from Board Members Present. Motion carried.

Lead Maintenance Lynn Wolleat Review Meeting minutes of August 20, 2009: Motion by Stephen second by Jerry to approve lead maintenance annual review minutes. Motion carried.

Clerk Update: None

Treasurer Report: Motion by Stephen Merten, second by Joel Peterson to accept the treasurer’s report with claims list #2752 through 2760 for approval with the following additional disbursements and the transfer of money from savings to checking.

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| County Mutual | \$18.27 |
| Kimball Midwest | \$119.23 |
| Nextel..... | \$60.52 |
| Qwest..... | \$77.86 |

Transfer the following dollar amounts from savings to checking:

- \$2,500 general Fund
- \$8,500 road and bridge

Motion carried

Commissioner Rick Greene: County Board approved a zero percent (0%) increase for the levy. Chisago County approved bids for culvert replacement on CR 9 and CR 12.

Serena Meyers – Road Name Change: Serena Meyers is proposing changing the name of Trulson Road to Trillium.

In 2012 Ms. Meyers plans on opening an outdoor wedding ceremony services. She would like to propose this name change to make it more appealing for business purposes. Board Member Stephen Merten is not in favor at this time. Board Member Joel Peterson has no opinion on this at this time, Manley Olson is opposed. Concerns discussed are costs, 911, emergency, need to go through the county.

Kost Bridge – Ken Anderson: Ken Anderson distributed an information sheet to the Town Board members. Ken Anderson agrees that the truss design is fracture critical. Mr. Anderson stated the bridge was built in 1923. There are several options that Mr. Anderson pointed out to the Board:

- Option 1. Do nothing at this time.
- Option 2. Replace the metal lost in the lower members by welding additional steel plates to the top and bottom of the lower truss members.
- Option 3. Abandon the Bridge to Chisago County Parks Department with the understanding that it would be closed to all vehicle traffic. Mr. Anderson stated that he believe the County should be taking care of this road because of Kost Dam Park being located there which is creating this problem.
- Option 4. Remove the bridge and make Kost Dam Road a pair of dead end roadways.
- Option 5. Replace the bridge with another bridge.
- Option 6. Replace the bridge with a system of pre-cast box-culverts.

Mr. Anderson does not wish to see the bridge closed. Mr. Anderson is also concerned about the flowage of water by the LS Plant being built and if this could possible change. The Town board would like to know how many people live between 15 and Vibo trail.

The Board Members asked if Mr. Anderson would be willing to help out with this project if needed. Mr. Anderson indicated he is willing to participate on a citizen level. Place on October 2009 meeting.

Change Endorsement: Motion by Stephen Merten, second by Jerry Bjork to sign County Insurance change of endorsement.

Richard Peterson: R.E. Peterson read a letter to the Sunrise Town Board. Clerk Kowalke to research meeting minutes to verify payments. Richard Peterson indicated he does not feel that he has not been adequately paid for Sunrise Park. Place on October 2009 agenda.

Dead-End Road Issues: There are several roads that are in question for turn-around purposes which include, but not limited to Jess Avenue, 455th, Locke Avenue. Clerk Kowalke to draft a letter asking

road owners for permission to enter the property to use as a turn-around. Place on October 2009 meeting. Lead Maintenance Lynn Wolleat will put together a list of dead-ends. Place on October 2009 Planning Commission meeting agenda to determine where the roads legally ends.

Johnson Pit: Johnson Agreement signed by Chairperson Jack Kopp and Clerk Wendy Kowalke.

PEIP Insurance: Lynn Wolleat to look at other insurance policies. The Town board reiterated to Lynn that any increases in insurance will now be taken out of Lynn's wages.

River Road Damage: Chairperson Jack Kopp has a verbal agreement with Mike Caron to put down four (4) inches of gravel on River Road from the Tiller pit to County Road. Place on October 2009 agenda. Clerk Kowalke to compose a letter to Tiller Corporation informing them that Lead Maintenance Lynn Wolleat has the authority to determine when the road will be shut down for hauling for the preservation of River Road.

Maintenance Update: Randy Stommes is going to start crushing gravel next week. The culvert is fixed up on CR 9. Brushing and mowing will be started up again next week. Place a new cabinet on the school house for display. Replace plexi-glass on the bulletin board on the Town Hall.

Board Maintenance Direction:

Mow Richard Widmark site. Lynn

New Direction:

Purchase picnic tables for park-board determined too late this year-plan to do for next year

Outhouse Venting

Brushing ongoing

Mowing ongoing

Open up the Sunrise Park more (Sunrise Board will have a tour in April 2010)

Repair display at Town Hall not done yet

Budgets: 2011 budget money for the parks. Put money in the budget for new high reflective signage.

Chisago County Junk Car Ordinance Enforcement: Motion by Stephen Merten, second by Manley Olson to write letter to county to enforce ordinance in Sunrise Township. Motion carried.

Motion by Joel Peterson, second by Gerald Bjork to adjourn at 8:57 p.m. Motion carried.

Clerk Wendy Kowalke

John (Jack) Kopp, Chairperson