

**2010 Sunrise Township Annual Meeting
Royal Wilcox Community Center
Sunrise, Minnesota
Tuesday, March 9, 2010**

The 2010 Sunrise Township Annual meeting was called to order by Jack Kopp at 8:15 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board Members Present:

Chairman Jack Kopp
Supervisor Joel Peterson
Supervisor Stephen Merten

Clerk Wendy Kowalke
Treasurer Karen Anderson

Board Members Absent:

Supervisor Manley Olson
Supervisor Gerald Bjork

Others Present

Carl Peter Johnson	Gene Paul	Wade Olson	Michael Hudson
Muriel Kennedy	Judy Paul	Sue Swenson	Jed Wilcox
Sherry Stirling	James McCarthy	Shane Stepp	Donald M
Senator Rick Olseen	Jeske Noordegraaf	Lee Larson	Anthony E.
Commissioner Rick Greene	Randi Greene	Kim Calhoun	Chuck Sinn

Appointment of Moderator: Jack Kopp called for nominations for moderator. James McCarthy nominated Pete Carl Johnson. Hearing no other nominations, nomination carried.

Meeting Minutes: Motion by Senator Rick Olseen, second by Jeff Pose to approve the 2009 minutes with the following correction under gopher bounty from Senatore to "Senator" and Olson to "Olseen" of Rick Olseen under gopher bounty. Motion carried.

Commissioner Rick Greene: Chisago County kept the budget the same. LGA cut \$1.6 million which was already in the county budget. There will be cuts to service reducing hours, no raises, keeping steps flat, and elected official are flat, reduction in social service. Chisago County will have no capital purchases. There will be a 10% cut to partners. LS Power is on the docket for a second vote. Radio system mandated by federal government needs to be done by 2013. Environmental department has won some awards. Senator Rick Olseen thanked Commissioner Rick Greene regarding the LS Power issue.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Karen Anderson's report was available at the meeting. Motion by Muriel Kennedy, second by Lee Larson to accept the Year End treasurer's report and 2011 budget proposal. Motion carried.

2009 State of Township: Clerk Kowalke went over the report that was available at the meeting.

2011 Tax Levy: The Sunrise Board is recommending \$572,402.82 tax levy for 2011 to the citizens of Sunrise which is approximately a 3% decrease. Motion by Senator Rick Olseen, second by Lee Larson to accept the 2011 Tax Levy for Sunrise Township. Motion carried.

2009 Road Report: Clerk Kowalke read the road report as written in the State of the Township Report.

Donation Requests: The following are the entities that are requesting donations: Chisago County Senior Center, New Pathways, Refuge Network, The Baby Blanket, Family Pathways, Sunrise Cemetery Association, Chisago County Ag Society (Chisago County Fair), Seven County Senior Federation, Chisago County Recreation and the Chisago County Historical Society.

The following entities were represented at the Sunrise Township Annual Meeting:

- Refuge: Kim Calhoun thanked Sunrise Township for past donations. The Refuge is a domestic violence advocacy and shelter.
- Historical Society: Sherry Stirling thanked Sunrise Township and town board for past donations. Reviewed how donation money has been spent. All donated money from Sunrise Township has been spent in the township.

Other items discussed:

- Rick Olseen would like to recognize New Pathways out of Cambridge indicating that they have help citizens in the township.
- Muriel Kennedy would like to recognize the Chisago County senior center, expressing interest in the meals on wheels program, among other great senior programs being offered.
- James McCarthy would like to see LARA considered instead of Chisago County Recreation, because LARA is youth oriented where the Chisago County Recreation is adult leagues.

Motion by Rick Olseen, second by James McCarthy to distribute \$2,000 as the Town Board sees fit with the concentration on entities that primarily serve Sunrise Township. Motion carried.

Gopher Bounty: Motion by Senator Rick Olseen to lower the gopher bounty to \$1.00 per pair, second by Muriel Kennedy. Motion carried.

2010 Annual Meeting Date: Motion by Rick Olseen, second by Lee Larson to hold the 2011 Annual Meeting on Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at 8:15 p.m. at the Royal Wilcox Community Center. This is the 2nd Tuesday in Mach. Motion carried.

Senator Rick Olseen: Senator Rick Olseen gave a legislative update on green acres.

Sunrise Township March 9, 2010 Election Results: Motion by Senator Rick Olseen, second Lee Johnson to accept the preliminary election results as follows: Motion carried.

A Total of 140 votes cast

Supervisor E – Three (3) Year Term

John (Jack) Kopp29
Carl Peter (Pete) Johnson 50
Jeske Noordergraaf..... 59
Blank 1
Overvote..... 1

Town Clerk – Two (2) Year Term

Wendy S. Kowalke..... 124
Blank 13
Paul Mold (write-in) 1
Scott Wittman (write-in)..... 1
Barb Hunt (write-in) 1

Planning Commission K – Three (3) Year Term

Delano Olson 123
Blank 15
James McCarthy (write-in) 1
John Swenson (write-in) 1

Planning Commission L – Three (3) Year Term

Charles (Chuck) Sinn..... 118
Blank 17
Erma Gatz (write-in)..... 1
Muriel Kennedy (write-in) 1
John Johnson (write-in) 1
Craig Johnson (write-in)..... 2

Public Comments: James McCarthy thanked Jack Kopp for all the hard work for Sunrise Township. It was mentioned that Sunrise has a really good website which is easy to follow and move around in. Supervisor Joel Peterson indicated that the Beautification Committee is having a clean-up day on May 21.

Motion by Senator Rick Olseen, second by Lee Larson to adjourn at 9:22 p.m.

Attest: Wendy Kowalke, Clerk

Moderator