

**Regular Meeting Sunrise Township
Thursday, August 16, 2012
Royal Wilcox Community Center**

Chair Jeske Noordergraaf called the Sunrise Township regular Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board Members Present:

Jeske Noordergraaf
Stephen Merten
Joel Peterson
Gerald Bjork

Treasurer: Karen Anderson
Clerk: Wendy S. Kowalke

Board Members Absent:

Manley Olson

Others Present:

Lynn Wolleat, Sunrise Lead Maintenance
Patricia Peters
Loren Johnson

Patricia Peters = Read Letter: Ms. Peters is a concerned citizen regarding the living arrangements of the building on the corner of CR 9 and River Road (12370 River Road, North Branch). Steve Putman from Chisago County Environmental Services stated Carmella Boyce and Carl Irwin, 12370 River Road, North Branch were informed that they are to vacate this building by October 13, 2012. Sunrise Township Supervisor Joel Peterson has been in conversation with Chisago County Environmental Services / Zoning. Ms. Boyce and Mr. Irwin have 5 violations which are currently in place. Chisago County Environmental Services / Zoning said because of legal and safety issues Ms. Boyce and Mr. Irwin cannot live at the 12370 River Road location. Chisago County Environmental Services sent letter stating they need to be out by October 15. If Ms. Boyce and Mr. Irwin vacate this building by October 15 the County will not prosecute them on the 5 current violations. Joel Peterson will continue to stay in contact with Chisago County.

Approve Agenda: Motion by Joel Peterson, second by Gerald Bjork to approve the August 2012 agenda. Motion carried.

Meeting Minutes: Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Stephen Merten to approve the July 2012 minutes. Motion carried.

Clerk Update: District 7 Meeting Notice for September 13, 2012.

Treasurer Report: Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Joel Peterson, to accept the treasurer's report with claims list #3638 through #3651 for approval with additional expenditures as follows:

Country Insurance.....	\$751.73
Wendy Kowalke (primary election day mileage).....	\$32.19
Jenell Johnson (primary election judge).....	\$101.38
Jeanne Bradshaw (primary election judge).....	\$89.38

Ann Marie Kim (primary election judge).....	\$81.31
Brennette Harrington (primary election judge)	\$179.37
Joyce Meyers (primary election judge)	\$204.71
Wendy Kowalke (primary election judge and 2 meetings)	\$265.69
Wendy Kowalke (election meeting)	\$60.00
Kimball Midwest (bio-gun, removal kit, start fluid, etc.).....	\$229.86
Loren Johnson (96 pair of gopher feet at \$1.50 pair)	\$144.00
Olson Power (Hitch pin).....	109.53
Wyatt Olson (Grouting steps at river)	\$600.00

Eric Overvig has resigned from the Associated Bank.

Tiller Corporation River Road Maintenance: Chair Jeske Noordergraaf contacted the Minnesota Association of Townships to discuss how to go about maintaining River Road due to having a gravel pit located on the road which has trucks running on River Road. Because the Township has liabilities associated with River Road. The Association of Townships recommended that the Township maintain the road and bill Tiller. Send letter to Tiller stating that we are going to take care of the road and bill Tiller Corporation because they are not taking care of River Road. Each Board Member to make a list of conditions to be put in the letter to have Attorney Tschida draft to Tiller. Place on September Agenda.

Kost Dam Bridge Project: Joel Peterson attended a meeting with Paul Stewart and PCA. There was an additional permit needed for the Kost Dam Bridge project. Chair Noordergraaf signed the Application for General Stormwater Permit for Construction Activity (MN R100001). Plaques on the bridge disappeared before the Township was able to obtain them. Clerk Kowalke to place ad in Post Review, Chisago County Press, and Scottsman asking citizens to return plaques that were removed from the Kost Dam Bridge so they can go into the historical building of Sunrise Township sunrise. No questions asked. Thank you for your help.

Hay Days Update: Campers are not to be left at the Hay Days property without proper permits according to County permit.

Bee Control: Leonard Dickey, East Central Exterminating at 320-629-2912. Maintenance to purchase bee control and treat the bathrooms by the park.

Bat Removal according to State Statute Update: Contractor to complete by fall.

Sunrise Park – Concrete / Plaque: Slurry is poured through the rocks. Place on September Agenda.

Web-site: Current web-master is looking to retire by December 2012. She is having many difficulties with her computer and is not interested in learning the updated process to continue.

Flag Pole Estimates: Motion by Stephen Merten, second by Gerald Bjork to order a new flag pole. Motion carried.

Grading of 367th: Clerk Kowalke explained to the Board that there was a citizen complaint at the elections regarding the roads. Clerk Kowalke explained to the citizen that grading cannot be done until it rains.

Citizen's Forum - NONE

Maintenance Update: Lynn Wolleat informed the Board that Sunrise needs fuel. Supervisors requested that Lead Maintenance hold off on purchasing fuel until prices go lower. Street signs are missing around Sunrise. New snow plow arrived for grader. Maintenance is in need of radios for equipment. New culverts are in. Stephen Merten to contact OSHA.

Motion by Stephen Merten, second by Gerald Bjork to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. Motion carried.

Clerk Wendy Kowalke

Jeske Noordergraaf, Chair