

**Regular Meeting Sunrise Township  
Thursday, June 16, 2011  
Royal Wilcox Community Center**

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

**Board Members Present:**

Joel Peterson  
Stephen Merten  
Gerald Bjork  
Jeske Noordergraaf  
Manley Olson

Treasurer: Karen Anderson  
Clerk: Wendy S. Kowalke

**Others Present:**

Lynn Wolleat, Lead Maintenance  
Christy Sauro – Country Insurance  
Paul Steward, Thatcher Engineering  
Travis Haugrud, 2<sup>nd</sup> Driveway request  
Craig Haugrud, 2<sup>nd</sup> Driveway request  
Commissioner Rick Greene  
Chad Burnside – gopher feet  
Judy Seviola, Sno-Barons  
Stephen Seviola, Sno-Barons  
Renee Seviola, Sno-Barons  
Jay Flodquist

**Approve Agenda:** Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Gerald Bjork to approve the June 2011 agenda. Motion carried.

**Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Joel Peterson to accept the May 2011 minutes. Motion carried.

**Clerk Update:** The 9<sup>th</sup> Chisago County Children’s Water Festival Ojiketa Regional Park, Friday, September 30, 2011 is looking for volunteers.

**Treasurer Report:** Motion by Manley Olson, second by Gerald Bjork to accept the treasurer’s report with claims list #3285 through 3293 for approval with additional claims and transfer as follows:

Chad Burnside (37 pair of gopher feet at \$1.50 per pair).....	55.50
Cheri Cunningham.....	15.00
Country Insurance.....	\$2,861.31
Loren Johnson (250 pair of gopher feet at \$1.50 per pair) .....	375.00

Transfer General Fund to Checking  
\$10,000

Treasurer Anderson would like to set-up auto-pay for Qwest, Xcel energy, Verizon wireless. Motion by Joel Peterson, second by Jeske Noordergraaf to set up auto-pay due to the timeliness of these pays.

**Commissioner Rick Greene:** Picnic shelter approved at Kost Dam along with erosion control. Blacktop projects may be put on hold due to the possibility of a state shut down. There may be other delays in public services due to the possibility of a state shut down as well.

**Sno-Barons Gambling / Raffle and Liquor 3/2 License (Hay Days):** Motion by Joel Peterson, second by Gerald Bjork to approve conditional use permit of temporary gambling / raffle permit and 3/2 liquor license for the Hay Days event with no conditions. Motion carried. The club does an on-line poll for suggestions to do better. The raffle is a fund raiser for any local organization. Raffle tickets sell for \$1.00 and \$0.85 goes to the group.

**Country Insurance – Christy Sauro:** The following are some of the changes that took place during the annual insurance review. Delete coverage on town hall historical contents. Clerk Kowalke to send letter to Sherry Stirling to let her know that there will be no coverage on the town hall contents. Raising coverage on shed from \$10,000 to \$20,000. Eliminate sign coverage on the schedule, but the coverage will be there. Coverage on new playground equipment for \$15,000 and eliminate coverage on the old equipment. Fuel tanks at \$5,000.00 per tank. E&O coverage will be covered as of August 31, 2011 will be \$1,145.00. Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Manley Olson to accept the 2011 Insurance Policy. Motion carried.

**Joshua Steven Agnes – Ferry Road Debris:** Supervisors Joel Peterson and Gerald Bjork met with Mr. Agnes regarding the debris placed in ditch by him. Mr. Agnes agreed to clean up the ditch. Supervisors Peterson and Bjork talked Mr. Agnes regarding the complaints regarding his speeding in the township. Mr. Agnes stated he will keep his speed in mind.

**445<sup>th</sup> Street – Tim Doyle:** Mr. Doyle was not present at the meeting.

**Key Form:** Stephen Merten did not accept building keys. All remaining supervisors signed key form and accept keys.

**Donations:** Clerk Kowalke has an e-mail into MAT attorney for clarification as to what organizations can be donated to.

**E-mails:** Clerk Kowalke has e-mail into MAT attorney for clarification as to what e-mails can be sent without violated open meeting law.

**Sunrise Township Ball Field:** Bob Gustafson would like to fix up the ball field at the ball team expense. Chair Stephen Merten had an initial conversation with Mr. Gustafson. Mr. Gustafson was going to give Chair Merten's number to another contact. Chair Merten has not had any additional conversation to date.

## **Citizen's Forum**

**Jay Flodquist – Parking for Hay Days on 50 acres off of 382<sup>nd</sup> street:** Has permission from 2 neighbors. Motion by Joel Peterson, second by Gerald Bjork to approve the Jay Flodquist, 38075 Nelson Avenue, North Branch, MN 55056; 651-583-2517: [jayflod@fontiernet.net](mailto:jayflod@fontiernet.net). Clerk Kowalke to send letter.

**Travis and Craig Haugrud – Second Driveway Access Request:** The Town Board will go out and look at the property and look over the August 2004 meeting minutes and developers agreement to make a determination on a 2<sup>nd</sup> driveway access. Place on July agenda.

**Kost Dam Bridge:** State Bridge Bond Fund indicated that there is no money being held back from this project. There was a meeting held on June 1, 2011. Once bridge plans are approved then they will allocate money. Beautification is not covered for the bridge which would have to come out of township funds. Joe Triplett will head up and let this project. Township will need to get in touch with Joe Triplett to let and award the project. The railing needs to be looked at due to safety issues. Roadway approached is \$20,000 which is an extra cost. Sunrise Township is looking at approximately \$50,000 to \$100,000 of additional funding. Paul Steward will put numbers together on the park side of the bridge for beautification.

**Ferry Road Grading Contract with Wild River State Park:** Invoice delivered to Paul Kurvers along with Certificate of Liability.

**Calcium Chloride on Kost Dam Road:** Chloride has not been placed on Kost Dam because of the road reconstruction project for the bridge. Gravel will be placed on Kost Dam Road within the next month.

**River Road:** Lynn Wolleat will call Tiller to chloride.

**Placement and Installation of Park Playground Equipment Update:** Lynn Wolleat to get bids on footings and installation of play equipment.

**Gravel Hauling Contract:** Signed by Stephen Merten and Clerk Kowalke

**Gravel Crushing Contract:** Signed by Stephen Merten and Clerk Kowalke

**Maintenance Update:** Started mowing ditches today. Currently pumping water out of pit and chloride is done. Bids on diesel protection tanks was not completed. Need new carbide cutting edge for the grader at approximately \$1,500.00. Lynn would like a new 3.5 ton floor jack because the current one leaks.

## **Other Items Discussed:**

- Roger Remer would like to have a plaque for the wheel that was donated for the Chase Family.
- Shane Stepp is making plaque for Sunrise Park.

- Bob Carter from Fish Lake Township would like to know if Sunrise Township would be interested to meet to take over the Harris Fire Department. Sunrise is not interested in taking over a fire department.

Motion by Manley Olson, second by Gerald Bjork to adjourn at 8:53 p.m. Motion carried.

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Clerk Wendy Kowalke

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Stephen Merten, Chair