

**Regular Meeting Sunrise Township  
Thursday, September 19, 2013  
Royal Wilcox Community Center**

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

**Board Members Present:**

Joel Peterson, Chair  
Carl Peter "Pete" Johnson, Vice Chair  
Gerald Bjork  
Jeske Noordergraaf  
Stephen Merten  
Treasurer: Karen Anderson  
Clerk: Wendy S. Kowalke

**Others Present:** Lynn Wolleat, Sunrise Lead Maintenance  
Loren Johnson  
Rick Greene, Commissioner

**Ring Bell:** Bell was rung by Commissioner Rick Greene.

**Approve Agenda:** Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Gerald Bjork, to approve the September 2013 agenda with the addition of MasTec Cable request. Motion carried.

**Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Stephen Merten to approve the August 2013 minutes. Motion carried.

**Clerk Update:** Clerk Kowalke informed the Town Board regarding MnSure.

**Treasurer Report:** Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Carl Peter "Pete" Johnson to accept the treasurer's report with claims list #3956 thru 3983 for approval with additional expenditures and transfer as follows:

Nardini .....\$89.79  
Lowell Nelson Electric (installation of cameras and updates on maintenance bldg.) .....\$520.00

Transfer from savings to checking:  
Road and Bridge Fund: \$30,000.00

Motion carried.

**Rick Greene Update:** Hay Days went very well. Limited complaints. Commissioner Greene said the Chisago County Courthouse security system is up and running. There is one entrance for public. There are security employees that will guide the public through a metal detector. The wheel-age tax has been accepted. The tax is a \$10 fee. There are a few exclusions.

**Kost Dam Park – Tree Planting:** Joel Peterson offered trees to be planted.

**West end of park:** The County quit mowing, better top soil was placed and reseeding completed. The Project looks great.

**Kost Dam Park Extra Patrol Request:** No action.

**Financial Investment:** Place in CD account until complete information is obtained to make an informed decision. A financial policy must be in place. State statute states that money needs to be secure. It was suggested to not enter into bonds.

**City of North Branch / Sunrise Township – Sink Hole Road:** No Action Taken

**Safety Plan:** Sunrise Town Board will work on plan

**Chisago County Board on Aging:** Looking for Township Representatives to attend their meeting held on the third Thursday of every month at 9:30 a.m. No Action taken.

**2014 Bridge Replacement (Chisago County):** Chisago County is looking at replacing CR 9 and CR 11 bridges in Sunrise Township.

**Road Turn-backs:** Joel Peterson asked Joe Triplett for the maintenance costs for the last 10 years to be better informed on what to ask for from Chisago County. A new dump truck with sander would need to be obtained.

**Chisago County Parks – County Park Survey / Feedback:** Clerk Kowalke to check with Fish Lake Township to find out about grant dollars for playground equipment. To complete the Chisago County Parks Survey at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ChisagoCountyParks>

**Tiller Corporation:** Did not receive the corrected contract from Tiller Corporation.

**Chisago County Historical Lease Contract:** Lease contract has not been received from Historical Society as of to date. Clerk Kowalke to contact historical and Sherry Stirling to obtain contract.

**Haugrud Illegal Driveway:** Documentation has and will be continued to be recorded to press charges.

**4<sup>th</sup> Amended Culvert and Driveway:** Place on October agenda.

**Planting at Museum:** Place on spring 2014 agenda.

**MasTec:** The job request #13188259 auto is located in Fish Lake Township on Horse Shoe Lake. Clerk Kowalke to contact MasTec to inform them that it is Fish Lake Township not Sunrise Township.

**Citizens Forum:** Mike Halvorson stated that Tiller Corporation took sand off Mr. Halvorson's property and has not paid for it. Sunrise Town Board advised Mr. Halvorson to contact the Sheriff's office and Mr. Putman from Chisago County to see what actions are available to him.

**Lead Maintenance Lynn Wolleat Review:** Motion by Stephen Merten to recommend a 3% raise (\$0.75) per hour, second by Carl Peter “Pete” Johnson. Motion carried.

**Maintenance Update:** Steel roof bathroom bid is \$850.00. State Emission is going to start conducting emission tests on lawn mowers, but if lawn mowers are upgraded now then the Township would not have to complete the admissions process. Sunrise Township’s mower is approximately 13 years old. Lynn will have someone come and look at the mower to see if this is the route to take. Lawrence Patterson will be contacted for testing and measuring the pile. Concrete will be poured in front of the shop.

Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by second by Carl Peter “Pete” Johnson to adjourn at 8:24 p.m.  
Motion carried.

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Clerk Wendy Kowalke

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Joel Peterson, Chair