

**Regular Meeting Sunrise Township
Thursday, April 21, 2016
Royal Wilcox Community Center**

Chair Eric Leivian called the Regular Sunrise Township Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board Members Present:

Eric Leivian, Chair
 Carl Peter “Pete” Johnson, Vice Chair
 Jeske Noordergraaf
 Gerald Bjork
 Joel Peterson
 Treasurer: Karen Anderson
 Clerk: Wendy S. Kowalke

Others Present:

Lynn Wolleat	Patricia Peters	Doug Goodwin
Bruce Hampton	Delano Olson	Lincoln Road
Fred Brede	Charlotte Wilcox	Gerald Regnier
Rick Greene, Commissioner	David Schwartz	Adam Rydbora

Approve Agenda: Motion by Joel Peterson, second by Gerald Bjork to accept the April 2016 agenda
 Motion carried

Meeting Minutes: Motion by Carl Peter “Pete” Johnson, second by Jeske Noordergraaf to approve March 2016 minutes. Motion Carried.

Clerk Update: Clerk Kowalke informed the Board of a Public Road Seminar being conducted by Rinke Noonan, Attorneys at Law, North Branch Public Schools Facilities Bon Referendum vote on Tuesday, May 24, 2016 and MN Dept. of Commerce Notice of availability of scoping EAW ad Draft Scope for Sandpiper Pipeline and Line 3 Replacement projects and schedule for EIS scoping meetings.

Canvass Board Certification: Motion by Carl Peter “Pete” Johnson, second Joel Peterson to accept the Canvass Board Certification meeting minutes. Motion carried

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Karen Anderson went over April 2016 Treasury report. Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Joel Peterson to accept the Treasurer’s report as presented with claims list 4765 through 4784 and additional invoices as follows.

Peterson’s North Branch Mill.....	\$188.44
Delano Olson (164 pr. Gopher feet at \$2.00 per pair).....	\$328.00
Sunrise Cemetery Association.....	\$500.00
Chisago County Fair:.....	\$400.00
Chisago County Sr. Center	\$500.00
Family Pathways.....	\$1,500.00
Seven County Senior Federation	\$100.00

The following funds will be transferred as follows:

- \$10,000 from General Savings to General Checking.

Commissioner Rick Greene Update: Chisago County is moving forward with the Chisago County Jail starting late spring / early summer. Tiller Corporation has applied for a CUP to expand gravel pit (Jeske Noordergraaf will follow-up at the County level).

Delano Olson – Calcium Chloride Petition on Olson Road: Delano Olson presented a Petition to discontinue placing calcium chloride on Olson Road. Of the residents on Olson Road there were 36 residents that don't want it and 4 residents that would still like to have calcium chloride placed on Olson Road. Sunrise Town Board informed Mr. Olson that it is hard to maintain roads without chloride. Sunrise Board wants it to be known that without the use of calcium chloride washing-boarding and dust will be an issue. When calcium chloride is not placed an inch of binder is lost per year. There has been some fact-finding on auto seal and chip seal for roads. Chisago County is going to place chip seal on CR 61 and CR 70 as a test trial. Motion by Joel Peterson, second by Jeske Noordergraaf to accept the Petition for the 2016 season. Motion carried.

Charlotte Wilcox – 430th St. and Land: Gerald Bjork and Lynn Wolleat will look at 430th to see what can be done about a berm.

North End of Joywood: Charlotte Wilcox was present to give some input on the out-lot for Joywood. Ms. Wilcox said this is an out-lot in the plat and was never dedicated as a road. It is 66 feet wide. Kathy Carchedi purchased the out-lot and 17 acre parcel. Jerry Regnier is looking to purchase the property. If it is a public easement Sunrise Township may be able to vacate the road but if it is a private easement, Sunrise Township cannot help. Charlotte Wilcox will research and inform the Board of her findings.

Concrete Quote – Shane Stepp: Shane Stepp presented a quote in the amount of \$23,848 for asphalt by Stepp Mfg. Sunrise Township and Stepp Mfg. placed asphalt on the road in 1972 so it wouldn't tear up the road. Sunrise Township and Stepp Mfg. split cost. The Road will be researched to be able to make an informed decision. Shane will provide the 1972 survey.

Broadband – Shane Stepp: Bruce Hampton and Shane Stepp met with Chisago County EDA to discuss options that are available. There is money available for rural broadband. The CAF (Connect America Funding) money and Blandon Foundation money may be available. Century Link is looking at doing fiber optic to the north half of Sunrise. Century link is looking at ways to offset the cost. Within the next 2 weeks there should be a scope of project available. Sunrise Township will send a letter of support that the Township is willing to participate – get to Nancy at HRA / EDA. (Frontier will have the same monies available for the south half of Sunrise) Lieutenant Governor Tina Smith is advocating to connect all families with broadband. Place on May meeting.

David Schwartz – Chip Rock on Joywood: David Schwartz left before his items was brought up on the agenda. Mr. Schwartz is upset about chip rock on blacktop roads.

Gravel Hauling Bids: 2 bids were received:

Bjorklund Co.: Certificate of liability received. \$2.64 per yard for 9,000 yards

Kyp Rydberg & Sons: Certificate of Liability received. \$21,950.00 (\$2.44 per yard) for 9,000 yards.

Motion by Joel Peterson, second by Gerald Bjork to accept the Rydberg bid. Motion carried.

Donations: Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Carl Peter “Pete” Johnson to distribute the donation money as follows:

Sunrise Cemetery Association.....	\$500.00
Chisago County Fair:.....	\$400.00
Chisago County Sr. Center	\$500.00
Family Pathways.....	\$1,500.00
Seven County Senior Federation	\$100.00

Motion Carried.

Sign Policy Resolution: Motion by Carl Peter “Pete” Johnson, second by Joel Peterson to accept the sign policy resolution. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION No. 21042016-1

Adopting the Minnesota Township Sign Program

WHEREAS: The United States Government authorized an earmark in Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users, utilizing High Priority Project (HPP) federal grant monies for a Township Sign Inventory and Replacement Project, referred to as the Minnesota Township Sign Program, which inventory, evaluation for removal or replacement, plan set development, construction engineering and installation which provides consist signing of township roads and improving the safety of motorists, and

WHEREAS: The Project consists of two (2) phases, with phase one (1) being a sign inventory and engineering study for removal performed by a professional engineering company knowledgeable in federal and state sign requirements, and phase two (2) being the purchase, construction engineering and installation of new signs and posts along with the removal of unnecessary signs, and

WHEREAS: The County of Chisago will be submitting an application to the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) requesting inclusion in the program, and

WHEREAS: The program provides up to eighty percent (80%) of the costs of the inventory, evaluation for removal or replacement, plan set development, construction engineering and installation to be paid for by federal grant monies, with Townships responsible for not less than twenty percent (20%) of the costs, and

WHEREAS: MnDOT, as administrator of the federal grant monies, requires counties to receive the grant monies on behalf of their townships, and also requires counties to pay MnDOT in advance and prior to commencement of the inventory, evaluation for removal or replacement, plan set development, the township's portion based upon certified township mileage, and

WHEREAS: The Minnesota Township Sign Program requires all townships indicated their intent to participate in the program by signed Resolutions and a Township board adopted policy related to sign maintenance and management on file at the Public Works Department.

NOW THEN BE IT RESOLVED: That Sunrise Township desires to participate in the Minnesota Township Sign Program, which will provide for the inventory, evaluation for removal or replacement, plan set development, construction engineering and installation of existing regulatory, warning and guide signs and posts.

NOW THEN BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That we, the Board of Supervisors of Sunrise Township agree to pay the County within twelve (12) months after completion not less than twenty percent (20%) of the costs of the Sign Inventory (phase one (1)), and not less than twenty percent (20%) of the costs of the subsequent sign and post purchasing and installation (phase two (2)) associated with the Minnesota Township Sign Program.

Dated this 21st Day of April, 2016

Hay Days Update: Hay days was denied by Chisago County. Chisago County pulled the fireworks request because that is under state control.

Chip Seal: Carl Peter “Pete” Johnson and Lynn Wolleat went to a seminar on otta seal and double chip seal. Chisago County is going to test trial CR 61 and 70. There needs to be a good road program in place to make sure it lasts.

Road Records (for Fish Lake Township): Eric Leivian informed Fish Lake Township that Sunrise does not have a software program at this time.

MN Association of Township Officer List Signatures: Signatures done.

Board of Equalization: The Board of Equalization is April 27, 2016 at 9:30 a.m.

Citizens Forum: Patricia Peters was informed that Sunrise owns to the North end of the cemetery and sunrise grades down to the river for Wild River State Park, Paul Kurvers, Sunrise Town Board informed Patricia Peters of the grading process.

Cemetery Association: The Cemetery Association would like to dissolve their Board and wants Sunrise Township to take it over.

Northern Salt: Lynn Wolleat received a bid using magnesium chloride at .89 per gallon which is the same as Enviro-tech using calcium chloride.

Maintenance Update: Lynn Wolleat to rent a street sweeper to sweep Sunrise Township blacktop roads.

Motion by Joel and Pete to adjourn at 9:21 p.m. Motion carried.

Clerk Wendy Kowalke

Eric Leivian, Chair