

**Regular Meeting Sunrise Township
Thursday, June 20, 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

Stephen Merten

Jeske Noordergraaf

Gerald Bjork

Treasurer: Karen Anderson

Clerk: Wendy S. Kowalke

Others Present:

Lynn Wolleat, Sunrise Lead Maintenance

Mike Caron, Tiller Corporation

Christy Sauro, Country Insurance

Loren Johnson

Ken Anderson

Rick Greene

Paul Steward

Dennis Tyler

Stephen Seviola, SnoBarons

Renee Seviola, SnoBarons

Manley Olson

Ring Bell: Bell was rung by Stephen Sevoila.

Approve Agenda: Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Jeske Noordergraaf, to approve the June 2013 agenda. Motion carried.

Meeting Minutes: Motion by Stephen Merten, second by Carl Peter "Pete" Johnson to approve the May 2013 minutes. Motion carried.

Special Meeting Minutes: Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Carl Peter "Pete" Johnson to approve the special meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Clerk Update: Thank you's for donations were received from Sunrise Cemetery Association and Family Pathways. Caterpillar sent second letter improvement announcement concerning the Operation and Maintenance Manual instruction for the park brake application for the 938K front loader. Lead Maintenance Lynn Wolleat said this was taken care of.

Treasurer Report: Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Gerald Bjork to accept the treasurer's report with claims list #3885, 3886, 3888 through #3912 for approval with additional expenditures as follows:

Ziegler Cat	\$1,876.51
John Peterson (10 pair gopher feet at \$1.50 pair)	\$15.00
Max Southbloom (27 pair gopher feet at \$1.50 pair)	40.50
Tyler Dennis (29 pair gopher feet at \$1.50 pair)	43.50
Loren Johnson (89 pair gopher feet at \$1.50 pair).....	\$133.50
Post Master (mailing for Sunrise Night Out).....	202.95

Motion carried.

Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Carl Peter “Pete” Johnson transfer from savings to checking:
 General fund: \$10,000
 Road and Bridge Fund: \$20,000
 Motion carried.

Starting July 1 Minnesota Association of Townships want the state to continue with CTAS. It will cost each township \$300.00 to stay with CTAS which will stay in compliance with forms for the state at the end of the year. Motion by Jeske, second by Carl Peter “Pete” Johnson to accept the \$300.00 fee for CTAS. Motion carried.

Rick Greene Update: County pays 50% of civil commitments. Park Director Mork obtained \$1M for trail construction. The Federal government imposed reductions on the Council on Aging. County Engineer, Joe Triplett, presented the preliminary transportation to the County Board. County has to maintain turn back roads for 2 years. CR 9 bridge and CR 11 bridge are scheduled for replacement in 2014. CR 81 scheduled to receive calcium chloride the first part of July. HWY 95 will be closed on June 26 from Almleund to Taylors Falls for 50 days.

SnoBarons Lawful Gambling Permit (Raffle): Motion by Stephen Merten, second by Gerald Bjork to accept the SnoBarons Lawful Gambling Permit. Motion carried.

SnoBarons Beer and Pop Permit: Motion by Stephen Merten, second by Gerald Bjork to accept the 3.2 On/Off Sale Liquor License to the Licensee known as Stephen Seviola for the establishment known as Hay Days Event – SnoBarons Snowmobile Club. Motion carried.

Christy Sauro – County Insurance: Christy Sauro distributed the Sunrise Township yearly insurance policy. Place on July agenda.

Financial: Place on the July and August agendas.

Tiller Corporation – Mike Caron / Christina: Supplied Sunrise Township a communication plan. Communication plan was appreciated by the Township which includes contact names and numbers. Mike Caron said he has not had a chance to go over the corrections presented by Sunrise Township in the preliminary written agreement. Sunrise Township wants a written agreement with Tiller Corporation to ensure compliance. Mike Caron will get a modified agreement back to Sunrise. Mike Caron said that there is a water truck on site and the water supply is at the house which is a 4” domestic well.

Mike Caron said the rates for water truck \$75 to \$80 per hour and blading is approximately \$125 to 150 per hour. Mike Caron and Sunrise Township seem to be agreeance to have Sunrise blade River Road when necessary and bill Tiller Corporation when damage has been caused by hauling by Tiller Corporation equipment.

Mike Caron said they are starting the process for Chisago County to permitting additional properties with the county.

Sunrise explained to Mike Caron that Sunrise is the road authority and has the right to shut down the road.

Projects lined up for 2013: Mike Caron said Bjorklund was successful at bidding the North Branch bid 30,000 tons, Chisago County 20,000 tons and Tiller will use 25,000 ton for their own use. Tiller will begin hauling sand out to North Branch starting next week. There will be 6 loads per hour. 1,000 ton 2,000 tons per week. These trucks are covered when they come out of the pit which is required by law.

Christina of Tiller Corporation was present: Christina distributed paperwork which was taken directly from the draft EAW from Chisago County. There is approximately 198 acres. MAP B preliminary proposed operation. Map B indicates there is an excellent source of sand and gravel. There are setback that are proposed as follows: 50 feet from road right of way, 50 foot set back from wetland. DNR stated Tiller must avoid the area in the County biological area with a 50 foot setback as well. MAP C – Conceptual reclamation slopes leading to 2 water bodies. Currently there are 54 acres that are impacted which includes David Property and Townsend Property (entire parcel permitted).

Proposal to County: The DNR said Tiller is to remove NE corner of Townsend property. East 40 is currently permitted. Tiller Corporation is proposing to extend portions of the Anderson property North of River Road up to the Old Townsend property and West portion of Townsend property.

Kost Dam Tree Planting – Laird Mork (absent): Paul Steward said there has been a change from Dogwood to lilacs and honeysuckle. No action.

Kost Dam Bridge – Paul Steward: Paul Steward informed the Sunrise Board of a Safety Concern: The Chisago County playground is in a very shallow that has storm drainage with a potential drowning hazard to toddlers. Paul Steward will send a letter to Chisago County Park Director Laird Mork of this concern.

Look at erosion control that was repaired. Funding may be available through Craig Mell's office. Mr. Mell is concerned that the grass is not growing (it was planted in October 2012). Contractor needs to wait until July 20 because of DNR Rules. . Anti-graffiti is coming on Monday. No fines were assessed. As-Built drawings need to be completed. This project will be completed August. Ken Anderson has some concerns about signage and drainage. On the west side is where there is a lot of erosion. Ken Anderson is concerned about speed. Sunrise Township had a speed study and it came back at 55 mph. Advisory speed panel can be placed. Larger signs on park property identifying the park. Recommend a 30 mph advisory sign and the signs should be the same on both sides. Would like to see chevron signs and along with that a guard rail on the left. Place on July agenda.

Kost Dam Bridge – Curb and Rip Rap: This has been completed.

Chisago County Historical Lease Contract: Lease contract not received from Historical Society as of to date.

Haugrud Illegal Driveway: Travis Haugrud installed and has been consistently using an illegal driveway which was not approved by the Sunrise Town Board. Attorney Tschida said Sunrise Township can charge Mr. Haugrud with a misdemeanor. Attorney Tschida said that the Sunrise is within its rights to bill Mr. Haugrud for attorney fees.

4th Amended Culvert and Driveway: Steve Putman from Chisago County Environmental Services said he would sit down with Joel Peterson to help create an updated driveway ordinance.

Gravel Hauling Contract: Contract signed by Chair Peterson and Clerk Kowalke

Gravel Crusting Contract: Contract signed by Chair Peterson and Clerk Kowalke

Crack Filling: Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Carl Peter “Pete” Johnson to contract with Fahrner for crack sealing all Sunrise Township Blacktop roads.

Mastec: Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Carl Peter “Pete” Johnson to accept the MasTec buried cable request to follow all Chisago County Zoning regulations. Motion carried.

Road Turn-Backs: No Action.

420th / Sink Hole: When North Branch makes a formal request and brings Sink Hole up to code, Sunrise will then negotiate.

Citizens Forum: Manley Olson was present to take a look at the wordage for plaque at the Sunrise Park.

Sunrise Community Night Out: Community Night Out will be held on Tuesday, August 6, 2013 from 6 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., this is in line with National Night Out. This will free. This is a great way to get out meet your neighbors, have some hot dogs, smores, take a hay ride or just sit by the small bon fire. There will be kids games and prizes. Please bring your chair.

Maintenance Update: Need new flag pole at Ball Field 40 foot. Clerk to order a 40 foot flag pole. Maintenance Lynn Wolleat reported that Steve Fornier is working out great.

Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Carl Peter “Pete” Johnson to adjourn at 9:20 p.m. Motion carried.

Clerk Wendy Kowalke

Joel Peterson, Chair