

**Regular Meeting Sunrise Township
Thursday, August 17, 2017
Royal Wilcox Community Center**

Chair Carl Peter “Pete” Johnson called the Regular Sunrise Township Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board Members Present:

Carl Peter “Pete” Johnson, Chair
Jeske Noordergraaf, Vice Chair
Gerald Bjork
Eric Leivian
Deborah Graleske-Kelleher

Treasurer: Karen Anderson
Clerk: Wendy S. Kowalke

Others Present:

Lynn Wolleat, Maintenance
Cristina M. Mlejnek, PE Bolton & Menk, Inc.
Douglas Engel
Dan R. Calhoun
Reed Miner

David Reichkitzer

Denise Calhoun
Trish O’Neal

Approve Agenda: Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Eric Leivian, to accept the August 2017 agenda. Motion carried.

Meeting Minutes: Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Deborah Graleske-Kelleher to approve the June 2017 minutes. Motion Carried.

Clerk Update: District 7 Meeting and Election Notice Wed., August 30, 2017. Received thank you from Sunrise Cemetery Association for donation. Information flyer received from Knudson Tree Experts out of Stanchfield, MN.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Anderson went over treasurer’s report. Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Gerald Bjork to accept the treasurer’s report as presented with claims list 5186 through 5208 with additional claims as follows: Motion carried.

Mark Beavens (17 pair of gopher feet @ \$2.00 per pair).....	\$34.00
David Bellin (903 pair of gopher feet @ \$2.00 per pair)	\$1,806.00
Eric Leivian	\$121.56
Deborah Graleske-Kelleher	\$60.00
Carl Peter “Pete” Johnson.....	\$13.96
Seal Tech Inc.	\$9,945.00
Excel (security camera)	\$16.25
North Metro Signs	\$900.00

Commissioner Update: Commissioner Rick Greene not present.

Daniel R. Calhoun – Variance exception to building set back on township road – original structure built prior to 1900: Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Gerald Bjork to accept variance as presented. Motion carried.

Funding Opportunities – Cristina Mlejnek, Engineer: State Park Road Program. Costs for construction and right-of-way acquisition are reimbursable for up to 100% of eligible costs for the Township part of the road.. Preliminary and construction engineering costs are not reimbursable. Motion by Carl Peter “Pete” Johnson, second by Gerald Bjork to apply for the State Park Road Account Program through the DNR. Engineer Cristina Mlejnek will complete paperwork at no cost to the Township.

Resolution to accept donation from Almelund Vol. Firemens Relief Assn. for Community Night Out: Motion by Eric Leivian, second by Gerald Bjork to accept Resolution No 2017-08-17-10. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-08-17-10
SUNRISE TOWNSHIP
CHISAGO COUNTY, MINNESOTA
RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DONATION

WHEREAS, Sunrise Township is authorized to accept and maintain donations of real and personal property pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 465.03 for the benefits of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, The following entity has offered to contribute the donation set forth below to the Township:

Almelund Vol. Firemens Relief Assn., 15740 Maple Lane, Almelund, MN 55012 for \$100.00.

Contributions will not be used for a pension or retirement fund.

WHEREAS, All such donations have been contributed to the Township for the benefit of its citizens, as allowed by law; and

WHEREAS, The Township Board finds it is appropriate to accept the donation(s) offered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF SUNRISE TOWNSHIP, CHISAGO COUNTY, MINNESOTA, AS FOLLOWS:

1. The donation described above is accepted and shall be used in accordance with noted terms or conditions either alone or in cooperation with others, as allowed by law.
2. The Town Clerk is hereby directed to acknowledge to the donor the Towns acceptance of the donors donation.

Adopted by the Town Board of Sunrise Township on August 17, 2017.

Sunrise Township T-shirts / Community Night Out: The 2017 Community Night Out was very successful night out. The Sunrise Garage Sale also did well. Deborah Galeske-Kelleher is going to gather new information on t-shirts and caps costs.

Citizens Forum: Reed Miner would like to have chloride placed James Avenue. The road would not be able to have chloride placed until 2018 as 2017 is done.

Land: Shane Stepp brought in front of the Sunrise Town Board land sale. Place on September agenda.

370th Paving: Carl Peter “Pete” Johnson is going to check with Attorney Ruppe to find out proper procedure. Gerald Bjork will contact Joe Triplett, Chisago County Engineer, to discuss the possibility of paving 370th in conjunction with the Chisago County paving Oriole Ave. Lynn Wolleat will talk with contactor about paving 370th. There is 11 out of 12 household want the road paved.

Sunrise Township / Palmer Land Purchase: Attorney Robert Ruppe has a check in his possession. Once the paperwork is signed by Attorney Robert Palmer, Attorney Robert Ruppe will forward check to Sunrise

River Road / Mill Street: GEO technical was received. If the desire was to pave that surface, the clay portion should be cut out. The lean clay is between 2 and 4 feet down directly in front of Stepp Manufacturing. Cristina Mlejnek, Engineer could put a cost estimate together if Sunrise Township wants to go ahead and pave. Shane Stepp said that they have been unloading and loading their trucks on the township road for the last 50 years. Motion by Eric Leivian, second by Gerald Bjork to remove the blacktop, sub-cut the clay and gravel the 200 feet of Mill Street. Motion carried.

Border to Border Grant Program Form / Fiber Optic : Nancy Hoffman participated in filling out Sunrise Townships Grant form for DEED. CenturyLink does not want to give any of their information to the Township and they will provide their information directly to DEED. The Business Subsidy Agreement is being worked on by CenturyLink’s attorney and Sunrise Township’s Attorney.

Right of Way Permit: Motion by Eric Leivian, second by Gerald Bjork that any Right of Way permits will have a \$75 permit fee from this point forward. Motion carried.

Sign Program Update: No update

Ferry Road Graveling: Clerk Kowalke to send another e-mail to Kris from the DNR.

Keystone Ave. Graveling – North Star: Carl Peter “Pete” Johnson to contact North Star regarding reimbursement for graveling.

Johnson Gravel Pit Lease Addendum: Diane Johnson wants to discuss the addendum with family. Gerald Bjork and Eric Leivian will follow-up with Diane.

Maintenance Update: Tiller is hauling in the rain. The Township will have to get set up to spray for weeds. It will cost approximately \$6,000.00 to get set up. The historical building is being repainted. The shutters and the fascia should be green. The rest is white.

Motion by Eric Leivian, second by Deborah Galeske-Kelleher, to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Motion carried.

Clerk Wendy Kowalke

Carl Peter “Pete” Johnson, Chair