

**Regular Meeting Sunrise Township  
Thursday, June 18, 2020  
Royal Wilcox Community Center**

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  
Mark Osland

Treasurer: Karen Anderson  
Clerk: Wendy S. Kowalke  
Engineer: Cristina Mlenjke  
Maintenance: Lynn Wolleat

**Others Present:**

Joe Charles	Sheri Skalsky	Brent Newton
Chris Sauro, Country Mutual Insurance		Joe Charles
Stephen Forner	Peggy Pearson	Kim Schoeberl

**Approve Agenda:** Motion by Eric Leivian, second by Jeske Noordergraaf to accept the June 2020 agenda. Motion carried.

**Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Mark Osland to approve the May 2020 minutes. Motion Carried.

**Clerk Update:** MN State 2019 Population and Household estimates: April 1, 2019 population estimate is 2,099 and April 1, 2019 household estimate is 739. EPA Hotsy disinfectant and sanitizing spray flyer, MN Association of Townships Membership cards handed out. Chisago County Zoning Notice of Intent – Short Term Rental Housing Ordinance (licensing).

**Treasurer Report:** Treasurer Anderson went over treasurer’s report. Motion by Mark Osland, second by Gerald Bjork to accept the treasurer’s report as presented with claims list 6052 through 6070 with additional claims as follows:

John Swenson (50 gopher bounty at \$2.00 per pair) .....	\$100.00
Peterson North Branch Mill .....	\$251.80

Motion carried.

**Filing Cabinets:** Eric Leivan will look for fire proof cabinets.

**Commissioner Rick Greene Update:** Not Present.

**Insurance Review – Chris Sauro, Country Mutual Insurance:** Mr. Sauro will complete an evaluation on the shop to come up with a correct replacement value. Chris Sauro is retiring at the end of September 2020. Josh McDuffy will be the new claims agent. Motion by Eric Leivian second by Jeske Noordergraaf to approve the policy. Motion carried.

**Novel Energy:** No Action taken on solar access.

**JC Homes – Joe Charles – 2 Lot Preliminary Plat:** Chisago County is going to allow 1 shared access on CR 9. Joe Charles said that Jessica at Chisago County Zoning said that no variance was needed. Motion by Eric Leivian, second by Jeske Noordergraaf to approve subject to County subdivision ordinance section 4.02B and 4.03L. Motion carried.

**Brenda L. and Richard Marohn – Seasonal Cabin to Year-round Cabin (not present):** Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Jeske Noordergraaf, to accept with no conditions. Motion carried.

**Shane Stepp – Septic:** Shane Stepp asked to be removed off the agenda.

**Sheri Skalsky – Variance to leave present barn at same location:** Motion by Mark Osland, second by Jeske Noordergraaf that Sunrise Township has no issues with the plan for this building and we see no need for a variance as the building is grandfathered and the footprint is not changing. If no variance is needed, Skalsky's money for the variance application should be refunded.. Motion carried.

**Election Judge Recommendations:** Motion by Gerald Bjork , second by Mark Osland to accept Election Judge recommendation for the August Primary Election. Motion carried.

**Road Tour:** July 16 road tour at 5:00 PM.

**Maintenance review and salary recommendations:** Motion by Carl Peter “Pete” Johnson, second by Eric Leivian to approve an increase of \$1.00 per hour to make \$22.00 per hour for Stephen Forner and Gerald Bjork. Motion carried with 1 abstain Gerald Bjork.

**Citizens Forum:** Kim Schoeberl – Now that school is out the kids don’t care where they park on Kost Trail and regular traffic cannot get through on the road. Place Kost Trail Resolution of no parking ordinance on July agenda.

**Amador Plowing Bill:** Lynn Wolleat just gave information at the end of June. Bill was sent to Amador.

**Elections:** Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Eric Leivian to start purchasing products for election for COVID safety. Motion carried

**Gravel:** No action taken.

**Olson Road Update (speed limit):** Cristina Mlenjke feels 45 MPH would be fine. Mailboxes are all up now. Place on July agenda.

**Ferry Road:** The project is ready to bid in accordance with the funding requirements; waiting on DNR for easement.

**Audit:** 2018 receipts and ledgers have been requested and have been mailed.

**Blue signs:** Blue signs are required and swinging mailbox are required if you have mailboxes. The Sunrise Board will take note on the annual road tour regarding mailboxes and blue signs.

**Board Member Meetings:**

Gerald: NONE

Eric: PC, Regular Board Mtg.  
Jeske: Regular Board Meeting  
Mark: NONE  
Pete: PC meeting, Regular Board Meeting

**Maintenance Update:** Trash has been being dumped. Mailboxes are up on Olson Road. Stop sign was discussed on Lowden and Olson.

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

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Clerk Wendy S. Kowalke

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Carl Peter "Pete" Johnson, Chair