Regular Meeting Sunrise Township
Thursday, October 15, 2009
Royal Wilcox Community Center

Vice Chairman Stephen Merten called the Sunrise Township regular Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Board Members Present:

Stephen Merten
Manley Olson
Gerald Bjork
Joel Peterson
Treasurer: Karen Anderson
Clerk: Wendy S. Kowalke

Board Members Absent:
Jack (John) Kopp

Others Present: Lynn Wolleat – Lead Maintenance
R.E. Peterson (Richard)
Commissioner Rick Greene
Paul Henderson
Loren Johnson
Glenn Mell
Joyce Meyers
Engineer Warren White
Paul Steward
Greg Strom

Approve Agenda: Motion Manley Olson, second by Jerry Bjork to accept the October 2009 agenda.

Meeting Minutes: Motion by Joel Peterson, second by Gerald Bjork to accept the September 2009 meeting minutes with changes to dead-end road "…letter asking road owners for permission to enter the property to use as a turn-around". Motion carried.

Clerk Update: None

Treasurer Report: Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Manley Olson to accept the treasurer's report with claims list #2771 through 2779 for approval with the following additional disbursements.

Glenn Mell (105 pr. Gopher feet @ $1.50 per pr) $157.50
Loren Johnson (132 pr. Gopher feet @ $1.50 per pr) $198.00
Cheri Cunningham Graphic Design $15.00
Ross Sewer Service, LLC (septic pumping) $135.00
Wendy Kowalke (Tact meeting 10-7-09) mileage $16.50

Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Joel Peterson to
Transfer the following dollar amounts from savings to checking:

- $2,400.00 general Fund
- $14,000 road and bridge
- $21,098.44 Fire

Motion carried

Commissioner Rick Greene: Governor Pawlenty appointed a new judge. Saturday, October 17, 2009 Congressman Oberstar will be at the Chisago County Courthouse from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in room 142.

Kost Bridge – County Meeting Update: Bridge is impaired and the state and county want township to repair, replace, or close or possibly restrict weight for time-being. Sunrise Township would need to put up the first $10,000 for engineering costs and need an additional $10,000 for construction costs. Joe Triplett is in negotiations with the state for funding. Sunrise Township would like to pursue public comment and would need to hold a public hearing.

Kost Bridge – Paul Henderson: Would like the Board to approach the Kost Bridge in a logical manner.

Richard Peterson: R.E. Peterson was presented with a check of $226.47 to close out the Sunrise Park contract. No further billing will be accepted.

Dead-End Road List: Greg Strom of the Sunrise Planning Commission stated that the planning commission looked at legal description about a year ago. Greg Strom and Lynn Wolleat to view each dead end road and mark on a map where the township road ends and where the township will maintain. A copy of these maps will be provided to the affected landowner along with an informal agreement that grants the township permission to maintain that section of private driveway. Strom suggested the agreement contain language stating that the agreement will not obligate the Township to maintain that section of private driveway nor will the maintenance ever cause that section to become a township road.

CITIZEN FORUM

Joyce Meyers – RE: Tiller Corporation with River Road Damage: Joyce Meyers would like to know what has happened with River Road. Place on November Agenda.

Maintenance Update: Gravel is being crushed for 2010. Approximately 8,000 yards is up. Putting time in at Richard Widmark site.

Dump Truck Strobe lights: Approximately $1,600 to replace. Checking to see if these lights can be rebuilt. Motion by Manley Olson, second by Gerald Bjork to purchase new LED lights for plow. These lights can be removed and placed on any new equipment the township may purchase. Motion carried.

Board Maintenance Direction:

Mow Richard Widmark site. Lynn

New Direction:
Purchase picnic tables for park-board determined too late this year-plan to do for next year
Clean Brush by Kost Dam next to bridge
Permanent light for election
Outhouse Venting
Brushing ongoing
Mowing ongoing
Open up the Sunrise Park more (Sunrise Board will have a tour in April 2010)
Repair display at Town Hall

Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Joel Peterson to adjourn at 7:48 p.m. Motion carried.

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Clerk Wendy Kowalke John (Jack) Kopp, Chairperson