Regular Meeting Sunrise Township - Corrected
Thursday, September 15, 2022
Royal Wilcox Community Center

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

Board Members Present:
Mark Osland, Chair
Jeske Noordergraaf, Vice Chair
Dan Kaiser
Eric Leivian
Carl Peter "Pete" Johnson

Treasurer: Karen Anderson
Clerk: Wendy S. Kowalke
Engineer: Cristina Mlejnek, P.E.
Maintenance: Troy Montague

Others Present:

Peggy Pearson	Patricia Peters	Cindy Erickson
Clair Dickson	Jack Kopp	Lynn Wolleat

Approve Agenda: Motion by Dan Kaiser, second by Carl Peter "Pete" Johnson to approve the September agenda. Motion carried.

Meeting Minutes: Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Dan Kaiser to accept the August 2022 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Clerk Update: No updates.

Treasurer Report: Motion by Dan Kaiser, second by Carl Peter "Pete" Johnson to approve claims list 6697, 6720 through 6748 with the following additional expenditures. Discussion took place regarding engineering fees. Motion carried.

Katy Piel (31 pair gopher feet @ $4.00 per pair) $124.00
Sheena Piel (20 pair gopher feet @ $4.00 per pair).....$80.00

Commissioner Rick Greene: Absent.

Jack Kopp – Preliminary Plat Discussion: Jack Kopp was present to discuss his plan on doing minor sub-division of 3 lots on Keystone Avenue in 2022 that does not need to come in front of Sunrise Township.

There will be an additional plat of 12 lots on Keystone proposed for 2023. The 12 lots will be in once the road is in and the first lift of blacktop. 2nd year the final lift goes on and the warranty period is for 1 year. Jack Kopp is wondering if money can be drawn out of the 125%.

475th and James Quotes: Sunrise Town Board is waiting on further engineering information fro wetland permit before accepting any quotes.

Cristina Mlejnek reported that the Wetland Delineation application was not ready. Will send via e-mail and get signed. There will be an additional $2,500 is cost. Mid October / beginning of November to complete work.

Museum Plan: Troy Montague spoke with Linn Strong and they would like the display case removed. The corner sink has been removed.

MAT Discussion: The last communication is that MAT is going to appoint a member until the next election.

Judge Recommendation for November General Election: Motion by Mark Osland, second by Dan Kaiser to accept the November Judge Recommendations. Motion carried. Motion by Mark Osland, second by Dan Kaiser to increase election judge wages to $21 per hour for head election judge, $18 per hour for election judges. Motion carried.

Solar Soliciting Permits: Currently Sunrise Township does not have soliciting permits / ordinance in place.

CCATO September Meeting Held at Sunrise Township: Informed Sunrise Board that the CCATO September meeting will be held at Sunrise Town Hall.

Citizen Forum: A citizen was very appreciative for having the outside light on at the School House. Another citizen said Downtown Sunrise is still really dark on River Road and Mill Street. It would be nice to add additional street lights on River Road and Mill Street. Sunrise Board will reassess the lighting at a later date after the River Road / Mill Street project is complete.

River Road / Mill Street: Cristina Mlejnek said the plan is to pave the first lift on October 11 and the wear on October 20. This project lost about 3 weeks with copper that was suppose to be cut over. Fiber was not moved on the east side. Motion by Dan Kaiser, second by Carl Peter "Pete" Johnson to authorize payment to Knife River for traffic control, dirt work, removing brush, etc. Motion carried.

There is a citizen concerned about parking. Cristina Mlejnek said Mill Street parking will be drive over curb and sidewalk. The project allowed to put back what was on the outside. There will no additional / creating new parking "as part of the funded project".

West side of Mill Street is all residential which could be used for parallel parking. Jeske Noordergraaf said the driveways to the houses are not going to be blocked. After the project is done there is not supposed to be parking on the streets. The Township may be able to create more parking in the future.

Patricia Peters properties were surveyed*, correction: marked and paid for by Ms. Peters with Ms. Peters having additional stakes placed* ~~and marked~~. There were no monuments stakes on the West side of Mill Street. Kroschel Land Surveyors out of Pine City placed several monument stakes for legality.

With this grant people are not allowed to park on the road.

New Town Hall Update: Supervisor Dan Kaiser said that the Town Hall Committee had their 2nd meeting at the Sunrise Bible Church. Next meeting will be at Chisago Lakes Township to look at

space. Jeske Noordergraaf said that Lin Strong has an architecture program on her computer that can be of help in the future.

Speed Limit Studies (Wilcox Road and Ferry Road): Troy Montague report that there were 197 cars a day on Wilcox which was tested for 7 days by Keystone. Troy Montague is going to do a car count on Kost Trail. Place on October agenda. A citizen asked a question about speed limit study. Cristina Mlejnek has a resolution for speed limit studies on Wilcox and Ferry Road. The studies will be done in the spring 2023. Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Dan Kaiser to complete a speed limit study for Wilcox Road Motion carried.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (MN/DOT) TO COMPLETE A SPEED STUDY ON WILCOX ROAD BETWEEN COUNTY ROAD 67 AND COUNTY TATE AID HIGHWAY NO. 9

WHEREAS, Sunrise Township is interested in reviewing the speed limit on Wilcox Road between Keystone Avenue (CR 67) and Sunrise road (CSAH 9); and

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that Sunrise Township, Chisago County, Minnesota, that it should and hereby request that Mn/DOT complete a speed study on Wilcox Road between keystone Avenue (CR 67) and Sunrise Road (CSAH 9) for the purposes of determining the property speed limit(s) within the corridor.

Adopted by the Town Board on this 15th Day of September, 2022.

A citizen raised concern about drivers not slowing to 25 MPH from 45 MPH on Ferry Road

Whispering Ridge – 2nd Driveway Update: Bill received from Attorney Ruppe for sending a letter to the property owner. Carl Peter "Pete" Johnson will obtain a copy of the letter.

938M Cat Wheel Loader: Eric Leivian got in touch with BJ at Ziegler. The valve is supposed to be in at the end of September. Still needs to go to Falls Plow.

Old Loader Sale Status: Place this on hold until the new 938M Cat Wheel Loader is ready. Troy Montague will place an ad in the MAT sales paper. The ad will state that interested parties to send information to Clerk Kowalke.

Ferry Road / Snowmobile Trail: Jeske Noordergraaf and Mark Osland met with Mark Johnson, snowmobile club and Troy Montague. The snowmobile club is going to take care of putting up and taking down the snow fencing. Barriers will be placed. A citizen is concerned about a wash-out on the east side with vegetation being killed out with the salt. A citizen said there is grants available to snowmobile clubs for help maintaining the road. Jeske Noordergraaf will check with the snowmobile club.

Trail through Township Park: The Old Mill Street Road has not been vacated. Property was 23 feet off which should go another 23 feet toward the River on Patricia Peters' property. Clerk Kowalke to send property owner a letter to discuss trail through Township Park at the October meeting.

CCATO Meeting: September CCATO Meeting to be held at Sunrise Township.

Maintenance update: Troy Montague reported ditch mowing is pretty much complete. Hit one fiber optic pillar. CenturyLink does not hold the contractor to any standards. Buildings re-key keys were given to Clerk Kowalke. Motion by Dan Kaiser, second by Carel Peter "Pete" Johnson to accept the quote from Mike Armstrong to clean ditches on 2nd Street and Washington and install a culvert across Washington for the amount of $2,000.00. Motion carried.

Board Member Meetings:
Dan Kaiser: reg mtg., town hall meeting
Eric: reg mtg., CCATO
Jeske: reg mtg., CCATO and Ferry Road
Pete: reg, mtg., CCATO, Town Hall Meeting, mtg with Troy for Ferry Road
Mark: reg mtg., CCATO, Ferry Road x 2

Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Dan Kaiser to adjourn at 9:02 p.m. Motion carried.

_____ _____

Clerk Wendy S. Kowalke Mark Osland, Chair