

Regular Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes *Thursday June 2nd, 2022*

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call: Chair Booth called the Board of Supervisors Meeting to order at 7:00 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Those present at the meeting were Supervisors Greg Booth, Keith Card, Bob Johnson, Greg Bennett, Arlene Schmit and Clerk Jenna Ruggles. Residents in attendance included Alan Petrusson, Patrick Cox, Bret Mattheisen, LTC Steve Hall with Camp Ripley, Deputy Travis Collette, Lt. Eric Alger, and Chief Deputy Bryan Welk with Cass County Sheriff's department, the sign-in sheet attached. Brian Smith was also in attendance and refused to sign-in.

Agenda: Supervisor Schmit **moved to approve the agenda as presented**, seconded by Supervisor Card and the motion carried.

Clerk/Treasurers Report:

- **Meeting Minutes** – Supervisor Schmit **moved to approve the minutes from May 19th, 2022 as presented**, seconded by Supervisor Card and the motion carried.

Public Input: Included an update from Camp Ripley, power point is attached. Mr. Petrusson asked The Board again if they would bring in some class 5 for his road; Chair Booth explained again that Rainwater Drive is not a Township Road, and The Township cannot legally spend money to improve it. Supervisor Bennett explained that there may be some grants through the County and that he & Clerk Ruggles would check for him and get back to him. Mr. Cox let The Board know that he appreciated the answers to the questions – but he couldn't understand why The Board as the Regulatory Agency would pass his questions on to Anderson Brothers. Chair Booth explained that The Township is not a Regulatory Agency to them and that the pit was grandfathered in by the Township when the Township started doing permits. Mr. Cox was adamant that they should have a permit for the pit because it has changed ownership and uses since the Township started permitting; The Board said they would investigate the dates of changes. Mr. Cox expressed his need for more legal definitions and answers. Supervisor Bennett said that he would invite the Township attorney to the next meeting and Clerk Ruggles will let Mr. Cox know if/when he would be in attendance. More public input was from Mr. Smith – he expressed his concerns with The Township and presented The Board with paperwork he claimed to back up his concerns.

Old Business/Reports:

- **Roads (Bryan Drown, Road Project Engineer, Bolton & Menk)** – was not present, but did provide information from the Pre-Construction Meeting and some plans for the Pinto Pass/Bigwater area roadway ditch correction project. The Board discussed the Pre-Construction meeting, which Supervisor Card attended and after discussion it was determined that Supervisor Schmit would reach out to discuss the turnaround with Mr. Drown as it is currently in a resident's driveway and there may be a need to do a change order to the contract and obtain an easement from the resident. Supervisor Schmit is also going to discuss the Pinto Pass/Bigwater area ditching project with Mr. Drown and she will ask him to obtain a cost estimate if needed after discussion.
- **Road Supervisors reported** –
 - **Supervisor Schmit** reported she had a resident on Wilderness complain about the Contractor not correcting some plow damage when they were in the area doing storm clean-up; she explained this to the resident. She also was approached by the City of Pillager about getting some gravel on Pillager Dam Road (shared road with Pillager) and a resident on 37th would like to see more gravel on that road. Supervisor Schmit also reported that Mr. Dimatteo is going to have a survey completed for this driveway/parcel by Lower Sylvan.



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- **Supervisor Johnson** reported that he was out doing more surveying on the roads after the storm earlier this week. He inquired about getting a car for The Township that staff could use – Chair Booth let him know that he could rent a car if he did not want to use his own vehicle. Supervisor Bennett explained that there would be a lot of cost associated with Sylvan having a vehicle.
- The Board was happy with the crack seal cost breakdown per road.

New Business:

- **Election Judge list** – Supervisor Card **moved to approve the Election Judges at the same pay rate as previous years**, seconded by Supervisor Bennett and the motion carried.
- **Joint Meeting** – was discussed as Supervisor Johnson was in attendance, letting The Board know that adding signs restricting ATV use or gates on the MPL easements is up to the landowners. Supervisor Bennett **moved to have a visioning session inviting some residents to meet and discuss the possible options Sylvan has for their Township Land related to the discussion in the joint meeting**, seconded by Supervisor Card and the motion carried. This Visioning Session will be held on Thursday September 22nd and run by the Planning Commission, seconded by Supervisor Card and the motion carried.

Other Township Business:

- **Correspondence** – was read including Cass Co Sheriff's report, a Census newsletter, and others.
- **Review Claims** – Supervisor Bennett **moved to approve claim numbers 025122 to 025136 and EFT claim numbers 220602-1 and 220602-10 in the amount of \$62,939.68 and the payroll numbers 025137 to 025151 in the amount of \$5,7454.67 for a total of \$68,685.35** seconded by Supervisor Johnson and the motion carried.
- **Other Business** – included the following.
 - Supervisor Bennett let The Board know that he will bring up at the next Annual Meeting the possibility of Sylvan getting a police deputy to share with the City of Pillager to see what the residents say/think.
 - Supervisor Schmit has a piece of dock that The Pillager Lake Park Board doesn't want so she would like to give it to Sylvan Lake Park.

Adjournment: Supervisor Schmit **moved to adjourn**, seconded by Supervisor Bennett and the motion carried with the meeting adjourning at 9:25 pm.

Minutes submitted by,

Jenna Ruggles, Clerk

Greg Booth, Chair

These minutes were approved as amended on June 16, 2022, by Supervisor Schmit, seconded by Supervisor Card and the motion carried with Supervisors Bennett, Card, Johnson, Schmit and Booth with a minor correction on Supervisor Schmit's road report. Later in the meeting Mr. Brian Smith asked for the minutes to be corrected as he refused to sign-in at the meeting. This was approved with a motion from Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Card with the motion carrying.

Date: 6.16.2022