# Minutes of June 7, 2010, regular meeting of Moe Township Board of Supervisors

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with all members of the Board in attendance. The POA was given. Introductions and rules were not needed. As for the agenda, Huettl added one item under new business calling for passing a resolution to request the help of the County Attorney in dealing with the Moen property because of items parked in road right of way. A motion was made to accept changes and approve agenda. (m- Strandskov, s- Johnson, v- unan.)

The minutes were approved as mailed out to all. (m- Johnson, s- Strandskov, v-unan.) (copies available for public)

The Treasurer's report was given. (copies available for public) She explained in detail the year to date budget amounts and expenditures, and that we should see our first levy check the last week in June. She also explained that she and the Clerk are getting closer to get out of CTAS what the Board would like to see each month. A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report as given. (m-Johnson, s- Strandskov, v- unan.)

The Clerk read the monthly bills. A motion was made to pay same. (m-Strandskov, s- Johnson, v- unan.)

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

## Possible Tall Timbers Blacktop project

It was reported that Jerry Ellis had mailed out 154 questionnaires (surveys) to find out the opinion of residents for blacktop of Tall Timbers road and adjoining roads. (the Clerk had provided Ellis with a computer print out of addresses of the proposed project per his request)

#### CTAS update

Botner and Becker gave an update on the progress that is being made with CTAS and that the newer version of CTAS has been loaded into Botner's laptop. Becker explained that he had a lot of difficulty removing the old version and installing the newer version. He suggested that we hire George Hough to "clean house" on the Treasurer's laptop. He had cleaned up the Clerk's laptop a while back and this gets rid of a lot of unused and outdated software which is always running. Hough asks for \$100 as he did not charge for the Clerk's laptop. The consensus of the Board was to hire Hough to clean up the Treasurer's laptop.

#### Urness town line agreement

The Clerk reported that he had talked with Brent Johnson, Supervisor of Urness Township. The Urness Board has agreed to accept our proposal and they ask us

to draw up the formal agreement. The Clerk agreed to have it ready for the July meeting.

## Mosquito Lane repair

Johnson reported that he had not heard back from Lakes Area and Central Specialties has looked at the site twice and proposes taking out a section 8 ft by 150 ft down the center of the road. They propose this for \$2500.00. This does not include blacktop. Previous quote to repair site with restoring blacktop was around \$25,000.00. Much discussion followed as to what should be done for now as this amount for repair is not in the budget. Strandskov is concerned that if the road is opened up too much, we will have a more serious problem. It was suggested that Johnson do some more research as to the repair and contact Backhoe Bob for his opinion and proposal to repair.

## Town Hall insulation project

Johnson reported that Cullen's had installed 12 inches of insulation in the attic. They also installed 4 vents for air circulation. He had inspected their job and it appears they did everything they claimed. Project completed.

### New truck purchase

Huettl reported on the repair of our current truck which resulted in a repair costing \$2900.00 plus. Now it will not start, but Steussy diesel will look at it tomorrow. Also on the subject of purchasing a truck from the County, he had talked with the County and it appears that we are still in the front line for purchasing this truck. Strandskov recommends we look into a new business in town called Pipeline.

## Spring graveling

Huettl handed out a summary of additional gravel spread over and above the original gravel estimate. He explained these additions. We are actually a little under budget for the year. Strandskov asked about the equipment Okerlund is using. Why is he using a dump truck when he could and should be using a belly dump and that Okerlund seemed to drag out the applications after having a great start? (April 19<sup>th</sup> start, June 7<sup>th</sup> finish, why?) It was explained that weather influences gravel applications greatly. Graveling is complete except for unexpected projects and emergencies. Strandskov reminds Board that LaGrand will pay and apply gravel to that portion of Twin Points dead-ending in LaGrand.

#### Dust control update

Huettl reported that we are almost complete with dust requests. We have taken 9500 gallons in delivery. We currently have 2700 gallons left. There are a few requests which have come in and especially a request from Andert who would like chloride on two different roads which would add up to about 1700 gallons. He asked for the Boards input. Discussion followed. We usually put down about 100 feet of chloride per request. We do put down about 250 feet in front of

Bushard's house. It was decided to let Ronnie use his own discretion at this spot. Huettl to make suggestions to Ronnie.

# Township facilities & equipment cleanup

All proposed cleanup has been completed. Everything looks great! Windows of the Town Hall will not be done this year.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

### Dust Control for future requests

In continuing discussions from old business, Huettl asked if we should limit applications per resident. Discussion was raised as to the number of requests we get each year. It appears that the number has not increased dramatically. It is usual that after chloride is spread, residents ask why they were not included. No action was taken.

## MAT Short course reminder

Huettl reminded the Board of the registration deadlines for the summer short course held in Fergus Falls and St. Cloud. Each will send in their own registration separately.

## Crooked Lake Ln vehicles of Mark Moen

Huettl gave some history of this problem. It seems that contacts have failed. This includes letters from the township, calls etc. The County has now received a letter of complaint from neighbors. Huettl has visited with the County Attorney who agrees to pursue this problem. Huettl suggests we pass a motion and draft a letter asking the County Attorney to help us clean up this mess. A motion was made to that effect. (m- Strandskov, s- Johnson, v- unan.) The Clerk agrees to draw up said letter with the help of Huettl.

#### Weed control (added by Strandskov)

Strandskov asks why he sees the tractor and mower just sitting outside the shed. Are we doing weed cutting and weed spraying? Huettl reported that Ronnie has sprayed for leafy spurge already and with graveling and dust control, he will get to this. It was reminded that the thistles are really growing. If in the road right of way, any Supervisors should call Ronnie. The Clerk reported that he has a call into the insurance company concerning Ronnie using his own equipment.

The Clerk read the monthly announcements and correspondence. Highlights were complaints for grading, building permits and population count of township.

Next month meeting time and date will be Thursday, July 1, 2010 at the hall at 7:00 p.m. because of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday. The Clerk agreed to publish and post.

Public input resulted in questions about the condition of Tall Timbers road. Also, Lynn Bushard reported that Backhoe Bob had observed what he thought might be the Emerald Green Ash Borer in the area. It was suggested that the Extension Office of the U of M be notified as they want to know. Arlene Bushard thanked the Board as they are the best Board in a long time. The Board thanked her.

A motion was made to adjourn. (m- Johnson, s- Strandskov, v- unan.)
Respectfully submitted by,
Wayne E. Becker, Clerk
3:45 p.m.
Signed: Town Board Chair