

Minutes of
Regular Monthly Meeting
Moe Twp. Board of Supervisors
(audio recording available)

May 9, 2011

The meeting was called to order with all members of the Board in attendance. The POA was given. The agenda was presented. One item was added by Lynn Bushard concerning tractor problems under new business. A motion was made to accept the agenda as amended. (m- Johnson, s- Bushard, v- unan.)

The minutes of the previous meeting was accepted as E-mailed to all Board members. (m- Bushard, s- Johnson, v- unan.)

There was some discussion concerning the gopher bounty. The consensus of the Board is to not pay for gophers anymore.

The Treasurer's report was given by Pat Botner. A motion was made to accept same. (m- Johnson, s- Bushard, v- unan.)

The monthly claims were presented by the Clerk and a motion was made to approve them. (m- Johnson, s- Bushard, v- unan.) Note: Some discussion was made concerning the liability of Ron Saathoff using his own equipment. The Clerk explained that he had talked with the insurance company and they assured us that the liability would be covered but Ron's equipment is not. This was explained to Saathoff some time ago.

OLD BUSINESS

Signage update

Bushard reported that the inventory and inspection has been completed and paid. Strandkov asked about where we go from here. Discussion followed concerning replacing the posts and the possibility of re-using some of the old posts if allowed. He also submitted maps that had been provided. A quick inventory shows about 45 posts should be replaced as they don't meet the "break-away" requirements. It was decided that Ronnie should dedicate the month of September to start required changes for this year. It was also recommended that MR Signs of Fergus Falls be contacted to check lead time for delivery of new signs. It was the consensus of the Board to order 45 signs early in August for installation in September. Bushard agreed to call MR Signs.

Tall Timbers Road update

Johnson reported that the dike is holding and that Arlynn Johnson is still pumping water out of Heart Lake. It was also suggested that when the water does recede, boulders should be added to the road edge to prevent erosion and to keep the

Muskrats out of the road bed in the future. So far, we have lost about 5 to 6 feet of width of the road. Bushard reported that the DNR is responsible and needs to work with the LLA and possibility look into grant money. Johnson agrees to stay involved in this problem. Strandskov reported that he had contacted a law firm and they were of the opinion that the problem is Arlynn's but the Township is willing to work with the residents if they are willing to absorb the cost.

Holmes City First Responders contract

The Clerk reported that he had contacted Toni Fuoss and she will get back to us with a signed contract.

Gravel quotes

Quotes were opened. Morical quoted \$9.40 a cubic yard with a fuel surcharge; Okerland quoted \$7.75 per cubic yard. Others were contacted for quotes, but none responded. Both quotes were for Class V meeting our specs. A motion was made to award the hauling to Okerland. (m- Bushard, s- Johnson, v- unan.)

Dust Control

Johnson had ordered the liquid chloride for 2011 from Fergus Power Pump as last year. He had made inquiries to other companies, but others had not responded. To date, the Clerk has received 39 requests for dust control. There was some discussion concerning conditions when the liquid goes down. It was suggested that maybe Ronnie could wet the road down first with water.

Road Maintenance Issues

Bushard reported that the conditions are not the greatest.

It was reported that Crooked Lake Road is really bad because of hauling by Hvezda. East Moe Road is under water from Elk Lake and has been posted "Road Closed". Saathoff talked to Okerland and he suggests 5 inch rock for rip-rap. This would cost \$15 a cubic yard. Also, he suggests 180 yards of crushed rock and class V. Without Ronnie's labor, this could run around \$7500. All together, this repair could run \$10,000. Since this is a 10 year high for water, it was decided to wait until next month and see what the situation looks like then.

Also reported was that LaGrand has lost Centennial Lane and is thinking of re-routing the road. The Clerk recommended that someone should take pictures of these high water spots.

The Clerk reported that Mrs. Wiste, of Doe Run, had called and complained about water in field across her road. Frank Foslien has been repairing a tile and has temporarily moved a water rip-rap but will restore it after tile is repaired. Foslien also found out that there is a drainage easement at this location. Foslien agreed to call Jerry Haggenmiller and report his progress.

Water is close to the road on Moe Hall Road near Peterson's residence.

We need to call mobile washer and coordinate them with Godfather's spraying of the Hall for spiders. Bushard and Becker agreed to take care of the notification.

NEW BUSINESS

Road Tour

Discussion followed concerning the recent road tour and where and how much gravel needed this year. Johnson supplied a chart showing other years compared to 2011 for gravel loads. He estimates 130 loads plus an additional 25 loads will be needed. One load equals about 18 yards. Strandskov points out that Twin Point Circle should get more than suggested. Also, Bushard was asked to call Okerland and authorize gravel hauling as soon as possible. Strandskov would like to see all the graveling done before our June meeting. There was some discussion concerning Andes Road and where it stops. Also, Strandskov would like to see re-shaping of roads before dust control goes down. Dust control should start after the June meeting. Johnson reported that Mosquito Lane has a huge frost boil. Saathoff has been notified to take a look and see what he might be able to do as a repair.

Garbage Truck Restrictions

Johnson proposed the possibility of adopting a weight restriction for heavy vehicles such as garbage trucks. The consensus of the Board was that it would be opening up a can of worms, especially if we would try to limit companies in order to cut down all the traffic. No action was taken.

Tractor problems

Bushard reported that Saathoff has given up on a hydraulic problem on our tractor. Much discussion followed. Strandskov was upset that these problems weren't brought up at our budget meeting in January. Bushard agreed to investigate options.

Next meeting date, time and place

All can make June 6, 2011 at 7:00 pm at the Hall.

Announcements & Public Input

The Clerk read the monthly announcements and Arlene Bushard reported on her findings of Heart Lake and her meeting with Curt Larson over the weekend.

A motion was made to adjourn. (m- Bushard, s- Johnson, v- unan.) 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Wayne E. Becker, Clerk

Chairperson

