

**SHAMROCK TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
Thursday, March 4, 2010**

Board Chairman Ron Smith called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Supervisors Nancy Karjalahti and Charles Quale, Treasurer John Brula, Clerk Candace Bartel, Deputy Clerk Candace Kral, road maintenance employee Tim Turner, and residents Jerry Pawlak, Ann Carlson representing ANGELS, Dan Ronich and friend.

The minutes from the February 11, 2010, regular board meeting were approved on a motion by Charles Quale, seconded by Nancy Karjalahti. The minutes from the Board of Audit/Budget meeting February 18, 2010 were approved on a motion by Nancy Karjalahti, seconded by Charles Quale.

The treasurer reported the following fund balances for the period ending February 28, 2010: General Revenue Fund, \$10,433.89; Road & Bridge Fund, \$341,149.33; Fire Fund, \$62,338.49; Building Fund, \$111,847.98; Sewer Fund, \$4,565.81; Parks & Rec Fund, \$32,107.78; and the Lease/purchase Fund, (\$878.53). The Road & Bridge CD's total \$224,509.83; Sewer Fund CD's \$80,480.92; Kirt Properties escrow CD \$4,615.91. Interest received February 28 was \$510.52. Total cash and savings balance on hand as of February 28, 2010 was \$871,171.41 (plus the Building CD, \$75,000). Liabilities are the building bond at \$575,000. Motion by Charles Quale, seconded by Nancy Karjalahti to approve the treasurer's report; motion carried unanimously. Motion by Nancy Karjalahti, seconded by Charles Quale, to approve payment of claims and payroll totaling \$63,038.84, motion carried unanimously. (Note: the DNR \$450 pit lease payment from the February meeting was approved later in the meeting.)

Correspondence: Information from Central Applicators, Inc. re: Working Together for a cleaner Right of Way; Secretary of State's office notice of date change for primary election to August 10; information on the ARDC Energy Project; a copy of *The Lake Country Journal*, compliments of Anderson Brothers, was received; Ron Smith received a call regarding bug and pest control for the township buildings.

Ann Carlson, Treasurer of ANGELS, thanked the board for support and gave an update on ANGELS and their commitment to providing services in Shamrock and surrounding area

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Building: No new information was presented; Gartner Temperature Control stopped by and ordered a new circuit board for the roof unit. It was suggested that the outside lights on the building be repaired.

Road report: Tim Turner reported that a load of salt was ordered and received. They finished cutting trees on Island Road (492<sup>nd</sup> Lane). They have also been cutting tree on Floe Road (490<sup>th</sup> St.), 471<sup>st</sup>, 189<sup>th</sup> and 470<sup>th</sup>. Tim Turner will start checking prices on mower tractors for leasing and put one on hold; he will also check prices for the purchase of a mower tractor. Ice & slush on the blacktops has been scraped with the grader. Both leaf sites have been burned.

484<sup>th</sup>/486<sup>th</sup> Streets: There may be money available thru BSALWMP to cost share on these water runoff management projects.

188<sup>th</sup> Survey: The survey received from Terry Betley and its cost was discussed.

DNR Pit Lease: A motion was made by Nancy Karjalahti to pay the \$450 bill from the February meeting, to sign the pit lease and to send a letter to Steve Lane in Aitkin DNR office requesting

a storage agreement and to enclose a copy of the previous storage agreement written by Joe Wilson, seconded by Charles Quale; motion carried unanimously.

Fire Department Substation agreement/levy information: Clarification was made on the use of our repeater if we upgrade. Motion to accept the 2010 substation agreement was made by Charles Quale, seconded by Nancy Karjalahti; motion carried unanimously. The fire department levy assessment for 2011 was reviewed.

Radio System Update: There was no new information. Curt Martin from Martin Communications, Brainerd, will be invited to attend the April meeting to discuss options for the system.

Election Assistance Grant: There was no new information on the grant. It was suggested to get an architect's plan so the project can be put out for bids. Charles Quale will contact Craig Nelson at Morton Buildings.

Snowplowing policy: Discussion was tabled.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Minnewawa Sportsmen's Liquor License: Motion to sign paperwork allowing the license was made by Ron Smith, seconded by Charles Quale; motion carried unanimously. A resolution was passed at the February 2010 meeting allowing the license.

Variance request – Reger: Requesting a five-foot setback from the road right-of-way. It was noted that the road is 66 feet-wide. Dan Ronich was present representing the Reger family to answer questions from the Board on the variance request. Motion was made by Nancy Karjalahti to request that the garage be adjusted as much as possible away from the road if at all possible, seconded by Charles Quale; motion carried unanimously.

Annual Meeting Agenda/meeting location: The tentative agenda was reviewed. The meeting will be held in the old shop area of the townhall building.

Set spring clean-up date: Date set for April 24, 2010, for both sites 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.; fees to be determined.

Board of Appeal & Equalization: The procedure for conducting meeting was discussed.

Annual Bridge Inspection: Bridge Road bridge was inspected by the county engineer's office and meets all the legal requirements.

MAT Spring Short Course/Urban Short Course: Attendance was discussed. The deputy clerk will attend the newly elected officer's section.

Floe International will be contacted about possibly laminating the township half-section maps.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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Candace Bartel  
Shamrock Township Clerk

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Ronald Smith  
Shamrock Township Board Chairman

**MINUTES WERE APPROVED AT THE APRIL 8, 2010 REGULAR BOARD MEETING**