

**SHAMROCK TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
Thursday, May 24, 2012**

Board Chairperson Ron Smith called the meeting to order at 1 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Supervisors Charles Quale and Jerry Pawlak; Treasurer John Brula; Clerk Candace Kral and resident Dean Anderson.

The minutes from the May 10, 2012 regular board meeting were unanimously approved on a motion by Jerry Pawlak, seconded by Charles Quale.

Correspondence: Minnesota Department of Health well test results stating that no bacterial were detected; Lakes & Pines letter; Lake Minnewawa Association (LMA) meeting minutes from May 5<sup>th</sup> 2012 meeting; LMA memo dated May 14<sup>th</sup> 2012 from the president and Lake Improvement District petition drive flyer; Asset Recover email saying that they will be in the area to pick up electronic equipment; Board of Appeal and Equalization Record for 2012; Big Sandy Lake Association letter to Gary Drotts, MN DNR Area Wildlife Manager stating their support for the DNR plans for a wild rice paddy system; BearCom Wireless radio catalogue; Technology Exchange newsletter; Anderson Brothers 2012 Aggregate price list; E-mail from Karla White giving the date for a new county wide radio group meeting on May 30, 2012; Lake Country Power Annual Report

Concerns from residents not on the agenda: Dean Anderson stated his concern with the road washing away on 190<sup>th</sup> Place. The road repeatedly washes out on the right side about 40 feet passed his driveway every time we get a big rain. Mr. Anderson asked for permission to put in rock 1 1/2 - 2 inches to help prevent the road washing out again. He would pay for the rock and do the work, he also stated that the larger rock could make the road so that it could not be graded by the maintenance crew. The issue was discussed and the board informed Mr. Anderson that the township will work on solving the problem.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Road report: Tim Turner and Marvin Turner have done laying gravel (laid 380 yards of gravel) and grading; planted seedlings on the gravel pit site. They staked out the roads for the calcium chloride that will be sprayed on Tuesday, May 29; maintained the leaf sites. Tim stated that there are beaver issues on the Floe Road and would like Ron Smith to show him how to trap them. Talked to Larry Bunge regarding the small access on the bay at Traders Post that gets torn up by the snowmobiles and vehicles. Tim wanted know if he should buy some concrete planks to stabilize that access. The board gave him permission to make the purchase and also extras for other areas that may need it. They worked on washout repairs on the roads from the heavy rains. Tim is going to come in on Friday (maintenance's day off) for half a day so he can fix the roads that need to be done before the calcium chloride goes down. They spent time doing equipment maintenance and the road grader is a half hour short of 10,000 hours and is in good shape still.

Tim reported that Angus Praught is taking pictures while Tim does any grading. Tim is documenting every instance.

Tim and Marvin would like to check into a driving measuring device that attaches to the truck, they think it would be a useful investment. The board told Tim to look into it further. 483<sup>rd</sup> Street (Al's hill) was discussed and they are going to go ahead with the planned repair, wanted to be sure that all the neighbors are aware of the township's plan for repair.

Tim and Marvin took pictures of flooding on 188<sup>th</sup> Avenue to show the standing water that continues to form due to drainage issues. The board discussed the issue.

On 474<sup>th</sup> Street the property owner moved the stake that marked the road right-of-way to the edge of the road.

Shamrock town credit card: The clerk informed the board that getting a business (or corporate) credit card with the small amount that the township charges to the card annually does not seem possible.

Townhall Remodeling: Charles Quale gave the last revision plans to Davy Johnson. He is doing a final drawing and will get back to Charles Quale. The township will have to determine the inside details to get accurate bidding.

Organizations requesting funding: The clerk sent letters to the organizations that requested funding stating that it was determined at the annual meeting by the residents in attendance that no funding would be donated by the township.

The clerk will send a thank you letter to Big Sandy Lake Association for helping with the clean-up day.

Savage Communications Inc. performance bond: The clerk sent out the letter the SCI informing them of the boards decision to waive the bond for another year.

Ball Field: Charles Quale has the application for the grant and is working on completing it properly. Parts of the application were discussed. He spoke with a representative at the organization to help clarify information requested for the grant. The application is due August 14.

Kangas Billboard (Bridge Rd): The board reviewed the billboard during their annual road review and determined that the billboard is on private property not the road right-of-way.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Lily Ave C.U.P.: The clerk informed the board that she is working on the necessary forms and maps to obtain a conditional use permit.

Concern was stated regarding people on the gravel pit property. People have been seen on the property. It was decided that maintenance will put up a gate and post it as "Township property, No trespassing". Maintenance

A sign will be put up on 490<sup>th</sup> Street stating "old Floe Road" to label the road as such to ease the confusion for citizens.

Variance request - James A. Dame: the board has no objects to the setback variance requested as the design is presented

Radios: Ron will contact Martin Communications to get an updated quote for the new radio system and it was approved to have the system installed.

House on Lily Ave. gravel pit property: Advertise to put up for sale to be moved or to sale the contents, take offers until an end date such as Aug 1, 2012, and after that date tear down what

is left and put into dumpster. Set up a date for an open house for people to view the house. The board will view the house during the road view. Different options were discussed

Sterling: Replacement of the Sterling was discussed and the funds that are available for equipment replacement (approx. \$162,000). Tim and Marvin will research and create a spec design to review at the June 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 2:49 p.m.

Candace Kral  
Shamrock Township Clerk

Ron Smith  
Shamrock Township Board Chairperson

MINUTES WERE APPROVED AT THE June 14, 2012 REGULAR BOARD MEETING