

**SHAMROCK TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Thursday, May 28, 2009 7 p.m.**

Board Chairman Ron Smith called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Supervisors Nancy Karjalahti and Charles Quale, Treasurer John Brula, Clerk Candace Bartel, road maintenance employee Tim Turner and residents Bob and Barb Greifzu.

The minutes from the May 14, 2009 regular board meeting were approved as corrected on a motion by Nancy Karjalahti, seconded by Charles Quale.

Correspondence: Dental insurance information was received from MBA and the Aitkin County Historical Society newsletter was received; they will be filed for reference.

OLD BUSINESS:

Building: The painters have finished painting the ceiling. The large floor grates still need to be replaced and the insulation around the roof vents needs to be checked.

Road Report: Tim Turner reported grading has been done, gravel has been spread, and the blacktopped roads have been striped. Calcium chloride was applied May 28. The tractor/mower mentioned at the last meeting was sold to Cass County so a mower will need to be rented. Culverts have been ordered. The LMA site has been cleared of clean-up day items. The townhall site has clean-up day items to be picked up.

Surveyor Terry Betley sent an initial map of the section of 188th Avenue near Timbershores. He is working on the actual right-of-way location.

198th Place access (Sheshebe public access): New access signs are in place. The property owner has still not removed landscaping items that are in the right-of-way. The township attorney will be asked to write a letter requesting removal of these items.

486th Street (Westberg)/484th Street (Nelson): Waiting for the design from the engineer.

165th Place: Dick Salo requested the township extend the ditch at the end of the road to the south. Ron Smith, Steve Hughes, Aitkin Co. Soil and Water, and Tim Turner inspected the area on May 26. This would involve wetland mitigation and permission from the corps of engineers. Steve suggested taking elevations and diverting water to the black ash swamp if the elevations warrant. Permission from property owners would be required. The existing ditch can be cleaned by not widened or deepened.

Walk way between buildings/parking lot paving: Charles Quale will get specifications for a concrete walkway between the buildings. Tim Turner will get quotes for blacktopping a section of the parking lot in front of the townhall. The approaches to the new building will be done next year.

Blacktopping Policy: The policy was reviewed. A copy of Nordland Township's policy for will be requested for review.

Gravel Crush: The DNR has requested information needed for the gravel lease. Tim Turner will check with Hardrives, Inc. to see if they are interested in crushing for the township after they complete crushing for the Highway 65 project. The gravel crush will need to be put out for bids.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Charles Quale, seconded by Nancy Karjalahti, to order a propane fill at the most reasonable rate; motion carried. The clerk will check on the keep fill prices for next winter.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Candace Bartel
Shamrock Township Clerk

Ronald Smith
Shamrock Township Board Chairman

**MINUTES WERE APPROVED AT THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JUNE 11, 2009**