

**SHAMROCK TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Thursday, November 8, 2007, 7 p.m.**

Board Chairman Charles Quale called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Supervisors Ron Smith and Nancy Karjalahti, Clerk Candace Bartel; road maintenance man Marvin Turner, resident Rich Biernat and Mike Heaser from the *Voyageur Press*. Jay Smedburg, representing Gary Kirt Properties, arrived at 7:15 p.m. Treasurer John Brula was absent.

Ron Smith moved to approve the minutes from the October 25th regular board meeting as distributed, seconded by Nancy Karjalahti; motion carried.

The treasurer's report for the period ending October 31, 2007 gave the following fund balances: General Revenue Fund, 8,164.90; Road & Bridge Fund, \$284,733.51; Fire Fund, \$46,317.07; Building Fund, \$99,457.33; Sewer Fund, \$27,088.86; and the Parks & Rec Fund, \$8,842.25. Building Fund CD's total \$87,710.19; Road & Bridge CD's total \$109,387.38; Sewer Fund CD \$51,115.60. Total cash and savings balance on hand as of October 31 was \$722,817.09. Receipts totaled \$28,604.01, disbursements were \$121,197.14. Motion by Nancy Karjalahti, seconded by Ron Smith to approve the treasurer's report; motion carried. Nancy Karjalahti moved to pay the claims as presented, seconded by Ron Smith; motion carried. The clerk reported the lease/purchase financing for the maintenance building (\$625,000) has been received. Arrangements have been made with Grand Timber Bank to automatically transfer the payments according to the payment schedule.

Correspondence: Big Sandy Lake Association agenda and meeting minutes were distributed. The Mille Lacs Energy Cooperative and Clear Insight newsletters were received and filed for reference.

OLD BUSINESS:

Building Project:

Construction Update: Ron Smith reported that CK Service will be install the septic tank on November 9 and the waste tank will be set by ~~Weisser~~ *Weiser* on November 12. CK Service will dig the trench for the waterline; Hasskamp will install it. Halide lighting for the flagpole was discussed. A decision will be made once the price estimate is received. The building floor will be poured early next week. The phone lines and electric lines will be installed next week. The mechanical engineer has addressed several issues.

Road Report:

- Marvin Turner reported 195 yds. of gravel were hauled, 330 yards of pit run was put around the building, work was done on the driveway around the building, the truck boxes were painted and the sander was put on the plow.
- Ron Smith reported that John Welle, Aitkin Co. Engineer, has marked where the new guard rails will go. John also suggested periodically checking the bolts on the bridge and lowering the blind intersection sign.
- Jay Smedburg, representing Gary Kirt Properties, presented a limited warranty deed intended to be effective if a section of 197th Avenue is vacated. The board set the public hearing on the 197th Avenue alteration/vacation for Thursday, December 6, at 3:45 p.m.
- A revised easement for ingress/egress on a section of 506th Lane was received and reviewed. The clerk was directed to write a letter stating the board reviewed and approved the easement. The township attorney had reviewed the revision; the width was changed to one rod as the board had requested. Motion by Nancy Karjalahti, seconded by Ron Smith, to request a notification of recording from the county recorder; motion carried.
- A survey of the end of 209th ~~Lane~~ *Place* in section 5 was received from the surveyor. A shed is in the right-of-way and there is concern about an outhouse. Board members will check on this and it will be discussed at the next meeting.
- Bill Dusenburg inquired about the procedure to vacate a dedicated to the public access on Indian Portage. He will be referred to the county land office.
- Jim Krebs requested information on road vacation procedure. The clerk will send the information.
- It was reported that right-of-way stakes have been removed on the 198th Place public access. Nancy Karjalahti will assist the maintenance men in resetting them.

ATV Meeting: Nancy Karjalahti attended the recent meeting on the proposed new ATV trail in the county. There will be connector trails to the Soo Line. The county ATV posse will be assisting with the trail. 911 markers will be installed. The next information meeting will be November 28 at the McGregor Community Center.

Ron Smith contacted Resource Conservation & Development Council regarding dry hydrants. He is still waiting to meet with a representative and inspect possible sites.

NEW BUSINESS:

Conditional Use Permit Requests:

- Terrance Roy requested an amendment to two conditions in the Conditional Use Permit for the park model area of the Eagle Point Campground. The board reviewed the request; no board action was required.
- Gene and Lynda Ras requested a Conditional Use Permit to a residence addition. Nancy