Shamrock Township Annual Meeting Tuesday, March 9, 2010

The annual meeting held in the Town of Shamrock, County of Aitkin, State of Minnesota, was called to order by Clerk Candace Bartel at 8:15 p.m. Sixteen residents were in attendance. The clerk led the Pledge of Allegiance. Bob Greifzu was selected as moderator. The meeting agenda was reviewed, no changes were made.

The minutes from the March 10, 2009 annual meeting were approved as distributed on a motion by David Schaff, seconded by Barb Greifzu. The treasurer's annual report was distributed for review. David Schaff moved to adopt the treasurer's report, seconded by Jerry Pawlak, motion carried. The annual road report summarizing the work done by the road maintenance employees was distributed for review.

The list of organizations requesting funding from the township was reviewed. Fourteen requests were received. Motion by Craig Karjalahti to recommend to the board that the people requesting money should go to the people's houses for money, seconded by Jack Hooper; the motion failed on a vote of two for and the majority against the motion. It was recommended that the requests for donations be referred to the town board for their direction.

The taxable market value and net tax capacity report from the Aitkin county auditor was reviewed. For the assessment year 2009/tax year payable 2010 the township's total taxable market valuation is \$507,173,700 and the net tax capacity is \$5,146,715.

The minutes from the Board of Audit/Budget meeting were reviewed. The building CD that has been set aside for the final payment on the building loan was explained. The recommendations from the Board of Audit to reduce the Road and Bridge Fund were discussed; board members explained the reason for the recommended reduction. The conditions of the blacktopped roads were discussed; it was noted that they all need an overlay of blacktop. Craig Karjalahti moved to require the board to present a five-year comprehensive road plan for road maintenance and improvement on the township roads, to keep the Road & Bridge Fund levy the same, and have \$50,000 designated to be used in the five-year road improvement plan, seconded by David Schaff; motion carried. It was noted that the board does an annual road inspection of every road in the township. Motion by David Schaff, seconded by Barb Greifzu, to keep the levy the same as this year; motion carried.

Revenue fund:	\$ 90,000	Road & Bridge fund:	\$320,000
Building Repair fund:	\$ 5,000	Fire fund:	\$ 35,000
Sewer fund:	0	Park/Recreation fund:	\$ 20,000
Lease/Purchase Loan			
Repayment fund:	\$ 80,000		

The total levy for 2011 will be \$550,000.

Election judge Richard Cox reported the election results, 40 votes were cast. Results for supervisor were: Ronald Smith: 39 votes, Richard Biernat, one write-in vote; Results for clerk were: Candace Bartel, 36 votes, write-ins were Candi Kral one vote, Midge

Wilson one vote, Larry Turner one vote and one no vote. The Board of Canvass met following the election to certify the election results. (Voter turnout was 4.9%; 40 out of 816 registered voters).

David Schaff moved to set the voting hours for the March 8, 2011 annual township election as 2 p.m. to 8 p.m., seconded by Jerry Pawlak; motion carried. David Schaff moved to set the time and place for the March 8, 2011 annual meeting at 8:15 p.m. at the townhall; seconded by Barb Greifzu; motion carried.

The rates for publishing legal notices were reviewed. David Schaff moved to continue using the Voyageur Press as the official newspaper for township notices, seconded by Richard Cox; motion carried. The posting locations for township notices were reviewed, no changes were recommended. Notices are posted at the townhall, Sather's store, Willey's Bait Shop, and Whispering Pines.

The Board of Equalization and Appeal will be held on Friday, April 23, at 9 a.m. at the townhall.

The spring clean-up day is scheduled for Saturday, April 24, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the townhall and the LMA garage.

A draft snowplowing policy and the current snow removal ordinance were distributed for review. There was discussion on the plowing of non-maintained public roads. The policy is a work in progress.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m. on a motion by David Schaff, seconded by Richard Cox.

Candace Bartel Shamrock Township Clerk Richard Cox Election Judge

John Brula Election Judge Louise Orttel Election Judge

MINUTES WERE APPROVED AT THE MARCH 8, 2011 ANNUAL MEETING