

**MINUTES.SHAMROCK TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
Wednesday November 10, 2021**

Board Chairman Ron Smith called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Supervisors Allen Eld and Charles Quale; Treasurer John Brula; Clerk Candace Kral; maintenance Tim Turner and two residents.

Motion made by Charles Quale, seconded by Allen Eld, to approve the October 14 Regular Board Meeting minutes; motion passed unanimously.

The treasurer reported the following fund balances for the period ending, October 31, 2021: General Revenue Fund, \$68,260.28; Road & Bridge Fund \$45,322.99; Sewer Fund \$8,157.98; Road Repair (blacktop) Fund, \$138,893.28; Fire Fund, \$-3,801.65; Building Repair Fund, \$376,763.55; Parks & Rec Fund, \$153,583.55; Escrow/Road Vacation \$794.38; Road Bond \$-1,818.42 and the Lease/purchase \$92,024.41; bond principal -\$144,000.00; Salt Shed load \$-109,483.32 – a total in the checking accounts of \$878,198.00. The Blacktop Repair CDs' total \$ 158,420.43; Equipment CD's total 50,426.59 and the Sewer Fund CDs' total \$ 117,743.53. Money market interest received in October 2021 was \$179.254. Receipts for the month were \$10,633.87. October disbursements were \$62,461.03. Motion by Allen Eld, seconded by Charles Quale, to approve the treasurer's report; motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Charles Quale, seconded by Allen Eld, to approve the November 2021 claims and payroll totaling \$70,984.08; motion passed unanimously. Claims list attached.

**Correspondence:** Talon Metals – October 2021 Newsletter; Letter from Vollara representative; Echoes September/October Newspaper; Lake Country Power Strictly Business October 2021 and October 2021 Newslines; Lakes & Pines FYI Board & Employee Newsletter

**Concerns from residents not on the agenda:**

Don Obernolte presented a request to the township to change the width of a platted road. The road in question is 66' dedicated road. The board informed him that the width of platted roads are built to the county specifications. It is not a change the township can make.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Road Report – Tim Turner reported they have been grading and graveling; have performed leaf site maintenance; Blacktop patching; preparing plow trucks; installed sanders; finish turn-around on 208<sup>th</sup> Place by Uttoff's; equipment maintenance - wiring harness on the loader; representative for the grader tires will be here on the 17<sup>th</sup>; have started removing the tennis court; picked up cold mix for next season; we sent a letter to Thomas Green regarding a driveway that has been installed on 186<sup>th</sup> Avenue where the ditch was filled. The blocked ditch will result in road issues due to melting snow and rain in the spring. We have had no response; maintenance will be removing the fill, clean the ditch on Friday leaving the materials on the property; the board was informed the property by the turn-around on 190<sup>th</sup> (past Dean Anderson) has property stakes that are in the middle of the turn-around, nothing has been said yet, however, we may need to move the it; Brad Eddie gave permission to cut willows on 473<sup>rd</sup> Lane. The township received an email from a resident on 206<sup>th</sup> Road requesting a dead-end sign. Tim installed a sign at the beginning of the road. It was stated that Ernie Darlow will not have time to discuss or perform the culvert clean out at traders post.

The Clean-up Day TVs have been picked up; we will be getting an invoice for them. The board stated that prior to the spring event, they will revisit the cost of collecting and disposing TVs

Shamrock Recreation Area Project – the clerk has connected with Robert Slipka, WSB, regarding the final park plan. She informed the board on the progress of the stages of the park. The board discussed the base and soil work for the new tennis/pickleball courts location.

Tim will contact local contractors regarding maintenance the leaf piles at the leaf sites

The township received correspondence from Andrew Carlstrom, Aitkin County Planning and Zoning, stating that the Planning and Zoning Board approved the variance request by David & Nancy Frischmon Variance Request - Jeremy Paquette, for the reconstruction of their cabin less than 6 feet from the road right of way against the Shamrock Township’s recommendations.

The board stated concern for a precedence being set with the approval of this variance request. There is apprehension towards future approvals. The board agreed that it is necessary to request Andrew Carlstrom to a Township Board meeting to discuss concerns with township standards and recommendation in relation to road right of way requests. The clerk will contact Mr. Carlstrom with this request for attendance at an upcoming meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

The board reviewed the road right of way request by Ed Holland for the construction of a new garage The board acknowledged the new construction will be 20’ from the road right of way and that the garage door does not face the road. Motion by Allen Eld, seconded by Charles Quale, to approve the variance request as presented by Ed Holland; motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Charles Quale, seconded by Allen Eld to approve and sign Resolution No 2021-21 – Resolution Designating Annual Polling Place; motion passed unanimously.

The board reviewed the permission request W.O. #4264657 provided by Frontier for the installation of lines to a residence on 485<sup>th</sup> Street. Motion made by Charles Quale, seconded by Allen Eld to approve and sign Frontier permission request WO #4264657; motion passed unanimously

The rising cost of propane was discussed. The board agreed to switch the maintenance building back to electric as a cost saving measure until the price of propane drops. The clerk will check for quotes on propane cost.

It was agreed the township will be obtaining quotes to move the maintenance building propane tanks from their current location tow the back of the maintenance building due to the development of the park.

Motion made by Charles Quale, seconded by Ron Smith to approve and sign the liquor license request by Blue Moose Properties LLC – The Blue Moose on the Lake – David Harmon; motion passed unanimously.

Brian McGinnis – road vacate on big sandy lake – owns 51189 189<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 51183 189<sup>th</sup> Avenue. There is a platted public strip/road, Pathways, that goes to the lake

2:52 p.m. Meeting

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Candace Kral  
Clerk

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Ron Smith  
Board Chairman

**MINUTES WERE APPROVED AT THE DECEMBER 9, 2021, REGULAR BOARD MEETING**