

**May 6, 2019 @ 7:00pm****Regular Township Meeting**

Chairman Jeff Schoomer called the May meeting to order. Supervisors present Dave Hauser, Jim Roach; Treasurer Dominic Henderson and clerk A. Anderson. Fourteen residents signed the roster.

April minutes were reviewed. J. Roach made a **motion (1)** to accept the April minutes as written, D. Hauser seconded. All were in favor.

Russ Orning requested board approval for a variance at Camp 400. After review, J. Roach made a **motion (2)** to recommend approval to Crow Wing County for the variance at Camp 400, D. Hauser seconded. All were in favor.

Treasurers Report – Henderson reported receipts for April were \$20,481.04, disbursements were \$31,707.48; with an ending balance of \$858,235.19.

Fire Chief Eric Makowski reported on 16 calls for April; 1 in Center, 1 in Pelican, 12 in Mission and 2 mutual aids. There have been 44 calls year-to-date. Chief had prepared an Officer Interview Packet for board review. Interviews will be on May 16 at 7:00pm. There was discussion regarding recruitment and retention. Chief Makowski presented the following with a 'Life Saver Award'; Eric Anderley, Jon Bachman, Chad Allord, Jill Allord, Branden Cluever, Kailynn Allord, Jenna Hollingsworth Shane Johnson and Judy Lawrence. There will be a 'First Aid' class May 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. August 7<sup>th</sup> from 7-9pm there will be a class on 'Stop the Bleed'. J. Schoomer inquired about the shared fire district, Chief stated he would be in contact with Crosslake this month. J. Schoomer asked about invoice billing vs. credit card usage. Chief stated they were working with vendors. D. Hauser inquired about getting reports on 'calls by person by month', Chief stated he would get them.

Park Report – Tennis and Pickle Ball have been set-up. Trails have been cleared. Board reviewed the 'Park Clean-up' Bid from Van Horn Services at \$3,000 with a 3 year contract. There was discussion regarding the purchase of a blower/vacuum. J. Roach made a **motion (3)** to purchase the blower/vacuum attachment, D. Hauser seconded. All were in favor. J. Roach made a **motion (4)** to hire Van Horn Services to do the 'Park Clean-up' with a 3-year contract at \$3,000 per year, D. Hauser seconded. There was discussion. All were in favor. Independence Day Parade will be on June 29<sup>th</sup>, starting at 11:00am. Michael Blassey and Chief Makowski will survey the township property for a prairie burn.

Road Report – D. Hauser stated the plow truck is in storage for the summer. Road sweeping is 50% done. The remaining poly patch work from Anderson Bros. has been finished from 2018 bid. D. Hauser requested any information that the public may have regarding the history of township roads. Road inspection was held on April 24.

Fire Relief – J. Roach stated there was nothing to report. J. Schoomer requested a financial report for the fire relief.

Transfer Station – Dale Van Horn stated there has been a problem with items being dropped in the roll off bin other than Saturdays.

Old Business – Donations for Fire Dept. were received from: Nisswa Lions (\$500), Merrifield Marathon (\$1,000). Grants from Bremer Bank (\$17,200) and there is a DNR grant pending. Clerk will contact the website vendor for more information.

New Business – There was discussion regarding having a contract for vendors – park, cemetery, transfer station. J. Schoomer will be in contact with M.A.T. to see if they have a general contract. J. Schoomer made a **motion (5)** to hire an attorney if needed to prepare a general contract, D. Hauser seconded. There was discussion. **Motion (5)** was rescinded by J. Schoomer.

Chad Harding proposed a 'land swap' with the township. After review, D. Hauser made a **motion (6)** to proceed with the proposed 'land swap' as described:

Harting Property: Lot 36 Parcel number 77190552, 2.39 acres

Partial Lot 39 & Partial Government Lot 2 - Parcel # 77190683, 2.07 acres

Mission Twp. Property: Partial Lot 39 - Parcel # 77190549, 1.04 acres

Lot 38 - Parcel # 77190550, 2.39 acres, Lot 37 - Parcel # 77190551, 2.39 acres. J.

Schoomer seconded. The discussion about this proposed project concluded with the Town Board willing to pursue it further based on (1) This creates a safety and privacy barrier around the Township Hall and Fire Station property (2) The deal would be of no cost to the Township (3) This would be reviewed by an attorney for the Township. All were in favor, **motion (6)** carried.

There was discussion regarding bank reconciliation. Henderson stated it should be someone other than the treasurer. Discussion tabled, J. Schoomer will contact CliftonLarsonAllen and Henderson will be in contact with Bremer Bank.

Fire Contract Meeting will be set for May 17 @ 7:00pm.

Independent Audit scheduled for May 20 @ 7:00pm and June 10 @ 7:00pm, will change to 'Policy Meeting'.

There was discussion regarding the speed limit signs near the park. J. Roach made a **motion (7)** to purchase four 35MPH signs and three posts to replace the 30MPH signs on Mission Park Drive to be in compliance with Minnesota Dept. of Transportation. D. Hauser seconded and all were in favor.

J. Roach made a **motion (8)** to pay claims 8761-8795 in the amount of \$25,759.98, D. Hauser seconded. All were in favor. Check numbers 8792, 8793 and 8794 are voided because they are paid electronically.

J. Schoomer made a **motion (9)** to adjourn at 9:45pm, seconded by D. Hauser. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Anna Anderson, clerk

Jeff Schoomer, Chair