

OSAGE TOWNSHIP

BECKER COUNTY, MN

BOARD MINUTES OF MAY 9, 2019

OSAGE COMMUNITY CENTER / 24770 Co. Hwy 48 / Osage, MN 56570

The May, 2019 regular board meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Andrew Holmer with the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present: Osage Supervisors: Chairman Andrew Holmer, Lyn Hartness & Nicole Schluter. Treasurer Petra Hartness, Deputy Treasurer/Comm. Center Coordinator -Anna Johnson; Clerk Margo Boyd. Osage Contractors: Thelen's Excavating, Inc. / Brett Peterson Outdoor Services Resident Harlow Janssen, Greg Stevenson

The MINUTES of April 11, 2019 were approved as read by a 1st motion from Sup. Nicole , 2nd by Sup. Lyn and carried.

The TREASURER'S REPORT was approved by a 1st motion from Sup. Nicole, 2nd by Sup. Lyn and carried. Beginning balance of \$172,326.29 on April 1st, 2019. Receipts totaled \$114.04 with disbursements of \$3,974.26 leaving an ending balance of \$168,466.07 on April 30, 2019.

CLAIMS were approved as presented by a 1st motion from Sup. Andrew, 2nd by Sup. Lyn and carried. Total paid out - \$11,678.36.

OLD BUSINESS: road maintenance/annual road review: Supervisors reviewed & signed Road Maint. contracts with Thelen's Excavating, Inc. It was approved at the April, 2019 meeting to retain Thelen's as the Township road Maintenance contractor. Seperate contracts for snow plowing/removal, road grading & gravel application -each effective 4/1/2019 -4/1/2020 Discussed road maintenance needs determined during the Annual Road Review - minutes of road review to be attached to these minutes. Supervisors Andrew, Lyn & Nicole & Lenny Thelen, Sr. attended the road review. Sup. Andrew made a 1st motion to approve 1500 yards class 5 for graveling/spot graveling needs - see how far this goes -re-address graveling needs after the 1500 yards is used. Motion 2nd by Sup. Lyn and carried. Bog Lake Trail - discussed culvert - would need to build road to allow for ditching- not feasible at this point. Will continue to keep an eye on road & do what can be done with residents approval.

Crack sealing of Grant Street -This was done last year by Becker county Hwy Dept. resident Brett Peterson & Greg Stevenson felt it was a very bad job. Sup. Andrew will contact Jonah from Becker county as he indicated last year there are 2 different processes. Also will contact Long Construction regarding their process/cost.

A 1st motion was made by Sup. Andrew, 2nd by Sup. Lyn & carried to apply calcium chloride to the following Township roads: Holley, McKinley, Washington, West Straight Lake Ave. Gillian East of County 46, Witter from hwy 34- Co. Hwy 48, North Witter, approx. 800 feet on Sartain Street..

Supervisors discussed other road concerns identified in the road report- will contact residents with concerns /approval to take care of recommended road maintenance Report at next meeting.

JUNIPER PROJECT - Sup. Nicole reported that the exercise program is going good. The group meets 2x week/ for 12 weeks - Tues & Thurs. from 10:30 - 11:30 (excluding week of July 4th) There has been up to 22+ residents in attendance. Anyone 18 years or older are welcome to attend. No cost.

RENTAL POLICY -supervisors reviewed the rental policy. A motion was made by Sup. Andrew to keep policy as is with the following rental rates to apply:

Motion 2nd by Sup. Nicole and carried.

Resident fee - hall-\$50.00 / Kitchen-\$50.00 / refundable damage deposit \$100.00

non-resident fee - hall-\$100.00 / kitchen- \$100.00 / refundable damage deposit \$200.00

meeting rates for TWP organizations utilizing the center monthly including Osage Lions; Osage Sportsman club. \$10.00 hall / \$10.00 kitchen or \$15.00 for both.

Monthly rates for TWP organization Osage Seniors -hall- \$10.00 / kitchen-\$10.00

or \$15.00/ both. Community Center Coordinator will bill each organization on an annual basis.

Transfer sale of Fire Truck to Carsonville Volunteer Fire & Rescue/ -tabled for further discussion with Fire Chief & Carsonville Township Supervisor.

NEW BUSINESS: Sup. Lyn made a 1st motion to adopt a resolution adopting the Minnesota Townships General Records Retention Schedule. Motion 2nd by Sup. Nicole and carried By adopting this resolution & filing the schedule with the Minnesota historical Society the Township can follow the schedule for retaining / destroying records.

Supervisors reviewed a quote received from Weiss Mowing & Plowing LLC regarding the Township ditch mowing needs. Quote is based by the hour. Current ditch mowing contractor is Jeremy Hensel - whose rate is flat rate based on miles of road. Supervisor Andrew will contact Jeremy for current year rate - tabled till next month.

resident Greg Stevenson questioned corner of County Hwy 48 & Grant Street wondering if some fill could be put in their for ATV ditch riding. This would be County - or possibly contact the ATV Club to see if they would be willing to do maintenance. Lenny Thelen will contact them -if not Sup. Andrew will contact Hwy Dept. Greg also asked Supervisors the process for doing construction on his property. It is not zoned so he should not need any prior approval from Township. Recommended he start with County zoning.

ANNOUNCEMENTS; next regular Osage Township Board Meeting - June 13th, 2019
7:00pm - Osage community Center / 24770 Co. hwy 48/Osage,MN

Becker County planning commission meeting-
Monday-May 13,2019-7:00 pm-Detroit Lakes Court House.

ADJOURNMENT: The May, 2019 meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm by a 1st motion from Sup. Andrew, 2nd by Sup. Nicole and carried.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
Margo Boyd, Township Clerk

approved June 13th, 2019

Chairman

Clerk