

# OSAGE TOWNSHIP

## BECKER COUNTY, MN

### MONTHLY BOARD MEETING OF JULY 11, 2019

The July, 2019 regular monthly board meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Andrew Holmer with the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present: Osage Supervisors: Andrew Holmer, Lyn Hartness, Nicole Schluter. Treasurer Petra Hartness, Deputy Treas/Community Center Coordinator Anna Johnson, Clerk Margo Boyd. Road maint. Contractor Thelen's Excavating, Inc. , lawn maint./brush clearing contractor Brett Peterson's Outdoor Services Resident Harlow Janssen.

The MINUTES of June, 2019 regular board meeting were approved as read by a 1<sup>st</sup> motion from Sup. Lyn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sup. Nicole and carried.

The TREASURER'S REPORT was approved by a 1<sup>st</sup> motion from Sup. Andrew, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sup. Lyn and carried. It showed a beginning balance of \$156,801.87 on June 1, 2019. Receipts totaled \$99,855.29 with disbursements of \$12,516.41 leaving an ending balance of \$244,140.75 on June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

CLAIMS FOR July were approved as presented by a 1<sup>st</sup> motion from Sup. Andrew, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sup. Lyn and carried. Total disbursed - \$25,610.83.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Road Maintenance: Sup. Andrew made a 1<sup>st</sup> motion to approve Thelen's Excavating, Inc. to lay 300 yards of gravel to be applied as needed. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sup. Lyn and carried.

Sup. Lyn reported that the resident on W. Straight Lake ave is ok with removing the tree that was recommended on the Annual Road Review - but would like the lumber & requested to wait till late fall to remove.

Sup. Nicky contacted resident on Green Acres Ave. regarding 2 oaks to be removed & they were ok with it.

Sup. Lyn is going to meet with Vilka's on Bog Lake Trail work project- will report next month.

Transfer/sale of fire truck to Carsonville Volunteer Fire Dept tabled. Sup. Andrew reported Mike Harvey/Fire Chief was not able to attend tonight's meeting for further discussion.

MAT Summer short course. Sup. Nicole reported on the meeting. Some topics discussed were reviewing Township's property Insurance, Culverts, vacating land.

Anna Johnson -Community Center Coordinator advised Board that the Osage Cemetery Board currently rents the center once a year for a meeting. Asked Board to set a rental rate. If the Cemetery Board were to dissolve the maintenance of the cemetery would be the responsibility of the Township. Sup. Andrew made a 1<sup>st</sup> motion that the Osage Cemetery Board may use the center for their meetings, as needed through out the year at no charge. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sup. Lyn and carried.

Treasurer Petra Hartness reported on the Becker County Triad meeting she attended. Provided information on identity theft, Representative from AARP Fraud network was also present at meeting - they recommend important for all to monitor bank accounts, credit reports, - annualcreditreport.com is a secure site & they give 3 free reports per year. Don't use public WIFI for banking. Petra will be attending the Osage Seniors meeting to also provide them with the information.

Anna Johnson offered to donate a picnic table to the Township for the Wayside Rest to replace the broken table. Supervisors also discussed replacing toilets/sinks - they are very old and plug up quite often. Sup. Lyn made a 1<sup>st</sup> motion to contact R & G Plumbing for cost - if the cost does not exceed \$1,500.00 to replace all toilets, sinks, urinals at the WaySide Rest. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sup. Nicky and carried. Sup. Andrew will contact R & G Plumbing - If cost is more than \$1,500.00 he will report back for further discussion.

Sup. Andrew made a 1<sup>st</sup> motion to adopt resolution #7-11-19 which is a resolution authorizing contract with interested officer Sup. Nicole Schluter for the purpose of providing Tai Ji Quan exercise classes for 12 weeks. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sup. Lyn with Sup. Nicole abstaining.

Sup. Nicole informed the Board that there is a MAT training regarding planning/zoning for townships to be held on October 1. 2019 at the MAT office in St. Joseph's, MN. Also MAT's Annual Conference will be November 22-23 to be held in Mankato.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: next regular Township Board Meeting-  
August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 - 7:00 pm - Osage Comm. Center  
24770 Co. Hwy. 48 / Osage, MN 56570

ADJOURNMENT; the July 11, 2019 regular board meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM by a 1<sup>st</sup> motion from Sup. Andrew, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sup. Nicole and carried.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED  
Margo Boyd, clerk

Approved August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019

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Chairman Andrew Holmer

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Clerk Margo Boyd