

OFFICIAL MINUTES
BELLE PLAINE TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, July 7, 2020

BELLE PLAINE TOWNSHIP HALL
25130 HICKORY BLVD., BELLE PLAINE, MN

Board Members Present:

Chairman Tony Kornder, Clerk Kristy Bieder, Supervisor Mark Schultz, Supervisor David Entinger and Treasurer Myron Bratsch

Others Present: Barbara Weckman Brekke, Denise Edstrom, Jeff Klehr, Gary Schmitz, Bruce Volek and Mark & Lori Guennigsmann

1) Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the June 2020 Board Meeting minutes were presented, on a motion by Entinger, seconded by Schultz, all in favor, motion carried.

Approval of the Treasurer's report as presented, on a motion by Schultz seconded by Entinger, all in favor, motion carried, with the following balances:

Checking	\$	2,019.82
Money Market	\$	491,275.16
Certificate of Deposit	\$	155,872.33
Total:	\$	649,167.31

Receipts: **\$226,058.71**

2) Review and Approval of Claims for Payment:

Motion by Entinger and seconded by Schultz to approve claims for payment, motion carried.

<u>Check</u>	<u>Individual/Business</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Check Amt.</u>
4865	Klehr Grading & Excavating	Grading Roads	\$ 7,020.00
4866	Northern Salt	Dust Control	\$ 9,889.50
4867	Northern Salt	Dust Control	\$ 478.80
4868	Union Trail Aggregates	Class 5	\$ 11,384.76
4869	Union Trail Aggregates	Class 5	\$ 14,257.44
4870	Bryan Rock	Red Rock - ³ / ₄ with Fines	\$ 4,867.86
TOTAL CHECKS			\$47,898.36

3) Walk-In Agenda Requests:

Gansen Rezone– Denise Edstrom was in attendance to assist with a rezoning of land at 25460 Church Avenue for her parents Arnold & Patricia Gansen. The board did a recommendation to Scott County to

approve the rezoning of 40 acres from A-1/Ag Preserve District to A-3/Ag Preserve Density District. The hearing will be held on Monday, July 13, 2020 at 6:35 p.m.

Giesen Variance - Approval of the Don Giesen variance that was submitted by Scott County was presented, on a motion by Entinger, seconded by Schultz, all in favor, motion carried.

4) Road Reports & Issues:

Vacating of Road – Mark & Lori Guennigsman were present to turn in their petition to vacate road located 2 miles south of Belle Plaine, off of County Rd 3 across from 250th Street W. The petition was filed and an order was made for the hearing. The hearing was set for Wednesday, July 29th at 8:00 p.m. at the Township Hall. The Guennigsman's will do certified letters including copy of the signed petition and order/notice of hearing date to owners of land within 3 miles of the road they would like to vacate. Clerk Bieder will post the notice in the Belle Plaine Herald. All board members were in favor of the special meeting fee of \$350.00.

Right of Way Permit – A ROW permit (fiber optic cable) for Frontier Communications was signed for 11825 240th Street W, Belle Plaine. Clerk Bieder will hold onto the permit until she receives the \$100 check for the fee.

Gravel – The board discussed that a supervisor needs to visit the gravel pits and get samples of Class 5 in the future. They will also need to bring the sample to Scott County to have tested. This would help to ensure we get a better product in the future.

Bruce Volek's road Kittson Boulevard was accidentally missed during the graveling process, it needs approximately 200-250 tons or 10 loads of gravel will be added.

Valley Paving has offered Belle Plaine Township Class 5 for \$6.75 and Jeff Klehr has offered to haul the gravel for \$120 hourly. Motion by Schultz and seconded by Entinger to approve, motion carried.

Clerk Bieder was asked to set up an account set up with Valley Paving and to notify Jeff Klehr when the account is set up so he can begin hauling and grading.

Chairman Kornder will take some samples from the current roads and have tested at the County.

Field Approach/Culvert – Supervisor Entinger will send a follow up letter to Bill McCue regarding the field approach/culvert at 25875 Laredo Avenue permit that was not pulled. He will also request new checks made out to Belle Plaine Township for the amount of \$200 (double fee) and \$500 (bond).

250th Street Culvert - Supervisor Entinger will examine the culvert located at 250th Street West after Lester Otto's property (#10411) and follow up with Jim Jeurissen.

Dust Coating – Clerk Bieder mentioned that one resident (Lacy & Mike Londin #24841 Laredo Avenue) and 3 intersections (Cty Rd 64 & Galena Way, Cty Rd 7 & Galena both North & South ends) were missed. Entinger will contact Northern Salt to get these spots dust coated. Gary Schmitz was in attendance and also stated he had 42 feet missed and would like a credit for the next year.

Next year the dust coating paid by the township will go from the north end of Meridian Circle up to #24748 Meridian Circle.

The supervisors will still need to collect the dust coating fee from Rob Schultz.

MVEC Poles -255th –Kornder will contact Sue with MVEC and ask that MVEC pay for \$250 permit fee, engineer fees, lawyer fees and 75% the cost it would be to move the poles to the correct location and in return we will allow the poles to stay as is. Kornder will then contact Ruppe to have him draw up an arrangement.

Ditch Mowing – David will speak with Ron the owner of Huskers Outdoors to let him know he shouldn't be mowing the ditches that residents already mow. Also, he will ask him to slow down some so the cut is better. One sweep was only to be done and then later in the year 2 sweeps should be done.

Old 169 – Chairman Kornder will contact Dawn Meyer to see if we have an answer on the warranty for Old 169.

Road Signs – Supervisor Entinger will copy Clerk Bieder on the emails regarding signs.

5) Other Business:

County Updates- Barbara Weckman Brekke was in attendance to speak with the board about CARES Act Fund. The township can use their funds of \$22,850 or if they have no use for the funds, they can disburse these funds to the county. Barbara did mention that other townships are using their funds to aid in covering more underserved internet customers. This is considered a Covid issue since kids are being homeschooled and parents are trying to work from home with limited internet services. Clerk Bieder will work with Perry Mulcrose to see the options that Belle Plaine Township has.

The County is trying to cut the levy and budget for 2021.

6) Permit Report: Board reviewed the permit report for last month.

7) Meetings Attended or Upcoming: MVEC Special Meeting – Roadside (TBD) and Road Vacate Hearing – 7/29/20 at 8:00 p.m. at the Township Hall.

8) Motion to adjourn: Motion made at 9:25 p.m. by Entinger and seconded by Schultz to adjourn.

Chairman, Tony Kornder

Minutes prepared by: Kristy Bieder, Clerk