

OFFICIAL MINUTES
BELLE PLAINE TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, September 1, 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: Jeff Klehr, Dave Gordon, Doug Crosby & Gary Schmitz

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 August 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 Entinger seconded by Schultz, all in favor, motion carried, with the following balances:

Checking	\$	892.74
Money Market	\$	461,940.89
Certificate of Deposit	\$	155,872.33
Total:	\$	618,705.96

Receipts: **\$23,459.00**

2) Review and Approval of Claims for Payment:

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

<u>Check</u>	<u>Individual/Business</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Check Amt.</u>
4886	Klehr Grading & Excavating	Hauling Gravel	\$ 1,320.00
4887	Klehr Grading & Excavating	Grading Township Roads	\$ 3,996.00
4888	Ag Partners Inc.	LP Gas for Town Hall	\$ 253.90
4889	Couri & Ruppe	Legal Representation	\$ 157.50
4890	Husker Outdoors Inc.	Ditch Cutting	\$ 1,540.40
4891	Lampert Lumber	Windows for Town Hall	\$ 2,698.26
4892	MATIT	Liability & Property Insurance	\$ 2,011.00
4893	Valley Paving Inc.	Class 5 Gravel	\$ 2,055.18
4894	Valley Paving Inc.	Class 5 Gravel	\$ 1,531.68
TOTAL CHECKS			\$ 15,563.92

3) Walk-In Agenda Requests:

Broadband Conversation- Perry Mulcrone and Steve Herman called into the board meeting to discuss the Broadband Project. Motion by Schultz and seconded by Entinger to give the CARES Funding in the amount of \$22,850.00 over to the County to assist with the broadband project. Clerk Bieder will create a resolution and Treasurer Bratsch will cut a check to be signed at the October 6th meeting.

Township Website – Doug Crosby with Ezfic was present to present his estimate to the board on rebuilding the township website and maintaining it in the future. The individual who previously maintained the township website will no longer providing services to the townships. Motion by Kornder and seconded by Schultz to accept the proposed services. Clerk Bieder will notify Doug of the other townships that will also be needing assistance in the future with their websites. Treasurer Bratsch will forward the login information to hostmaster to Doug so he can begin to retrieve the website information. Supervisors will email Clerk Bieder with any updates or additional items they feel the new website should include.

4) Road Reports & Issues:

Annexation Meeting with City of Belle Plaine – Supervisor Entinger scheduled a meeting with the City of Belle Plaine to discuss possible annexation of Prairie Court on August 25th at 8:00 p.m. Chairman Kornder asked Clerk Bieder to cancel the meeting since the meeting was premature and the board had not discussed wanting this meeting nor wanting to annex in Prairie Court. Supervisor Entinger went forward with this meeting as he wanted to see if there was any interest on the City's part. When Clerk Bieder asked Supervisor Entinger on the details of what was discussed at the meeting on August 25th with Dawn Meyer and Cynthia Strack with the City of Belle Plaine, Supervisor Entinger responded he discussed piggybacking off the City of Belle Plaine when they pave roads.

Entinger stated he felt that if 240th was annexed into the City of Belle Plaine the residents would be snowplowed sooner than if they stayed in Belle Plaine Township. Also, he felt residents would benefit by having city septic. Clerk Bieder stated she didn't feel residents on 240th would feel this is an even trade for the amount of money it would cost them for sewer and water if they were city residents.

Chairman Kornder spoke with Minnesota Association of Township and they stated townships do not ask to annex into a city. Belle Plaine Township has no obligation to tar any road; a road could go back to gravel if residents didn't want an 30% assessment.

Laredo Avenue Field Approach – Entinger stated he felt the field approach/culvert located at 25875 Laredo Avenue that Bill McCue installed passes inspection and he will leave the ditch as is and seed.

240th Street – Entinger stated he felt the driveway located at 11825 240th Street W. looked good as long as aprons will be put onto it. Motion by Entinger and seconded by Schultz to allow this resident to finish project without applying for an additional permit. The original permit was dated on March 29th, 2019 and permits are only valid for 6 months from the date of permit issuance.

240th Drainage Issue – Entinger will contact Bolton & Menke to have someone come out to the site of the drainage problem to give a quote on fixing issue. Kornder or Bieder will get the flash drive with previous scoping to Entinger.

250th Street Culvert – Gary Schmidt will go with Supervisor Entinger to review the culvert after Lester Otto’s property (#10411) discussed originally at the June 2020 meeting. It appears that the culver was intentionally blocked. A concerned resident contacted the board to notify them that it had been possibly filled in with dirt to re-direct water.

Goshen Blvd. – Supervisor Kornder will request Randy Millard with Scott County to put up an additional curve sign.

Old Highway 169 – The seal coating has been completed on Old Highway 169. There is a warranty for 2 years from the project closed by contractor which would be Summer 2022. Also, there is a warranty from the City of Belle Plaine and this shall be for a period of 5 years after the initial 2-year warranty for settlement and other potential road settlement related defects expires

Sieve Analysis – Chairman Kornder gave Jake Balk with Scott County the gravel samples to be tested. Board supervisors reviewed the sieve analysisist. Valley has more clay and was also more crushed and/or angled and Union seemed to be more sand. Balk suggested we add recycled asphalt with our class 5 on our township roads. Gravel is scored by performance based and piles at the gravel pits will always be different and could be scored differently each day.

5) Other Business:

Updates to Town Hall – The windows have been ordered and should arrive in approximately 7 weeks. Kornder will contact Lowell to ask about ordering 3 horizontal (heavy winter insulated) blinds.

Clerk Bieder asked if she could get approval for 2 new flags prior to the November Election.

Clerk Bieder asked if she could get quotes from Berger, Home Depot and/or Lowes for new industrial carpet.

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

7) Meetings Attended or Upcoming: There is a City of Belle Plaine Utilities meeting on September 1st that Entinger would like to attend.

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

Chairman, Tony Kornder

Minutes prepared by: Kristy Bieder, Clerk