

**OFFICIAL MINUTES  
BELLE PLAINE TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MEETING**

Tuesday, April 4, 2023  
BELLE PLAINE TOWNSHIP HALL  
25130 HICKORY BLVD., BELLE PLAINE, MN

Board Members Present:

Chairman Mark Schultz, Supervisor Tony Kornder, Supervisor Steve Cox, Treasurer Myron Bratsch and Clerk Peggyann De Voto

Others Present:

Pat Schotz, Ryan Pfarr, Jeff Klehr

- 1) **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Schultz at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2) **APPROVALS:** Approval of the February Board Meeting minutes as presented, on a motion by Supervisor Cox, seconded by Supervisor Kornder, all in favor, motion carried.

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

Checking	\$ 3,136.17
Money Market	\$ 235,453.97
Certificate of Deposit	\$ 158,957.13
Certificate of Deposit	\$ 300,000.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 697,547.27</b>

Receipts: **\$ 16.66**

**Review and Approval of Claims for Payment:**

Motion by Kornder and seconded by Cox to approve claims for payment. All in favor, motion carried.

<u>Check</u>	<u>Individual/Business</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Check Amt.</u>
5187	Dvorak Excavating	Snow Plow & Sand inv #5866 & 5867	6,372.00
5188	Klehr Grading	Spread and haul gravel Inv #4724	4,240.00
5189	Nielsen Blacktopping	Crack Seal Inv #22-706	18,490.00
5190	Couri & Ruppe	Legal Representation	1,375.00
5191	Myron Bratsch	Treasurer wages	1,554.83
5192	Peggy De Voto	Clerk wages	2,209.96
5193	Steve Cox	Supervisor wages	1,256.28
5194	Mark Schultz	Supervisor wages	967.39
5195	Tony Kornder	Supervisor wages	1,167.20
5196	P.E.R.A.	D.C.P. 5%	780.50
	E.F.T.P.S.	IRS Tax Payroll	1,194.17

**TOTAL CHECKS                    \$39,607.33**

### 3) **Walk-In Agenda Requests:**

Pat Schotz came to discuss the condition of the road and wanted to know what is being done to fix them. Road supervisors explained that the weather this year was unusual and the roads are in worse shape because of it. The board is aware and will be addressing the road conditions as soon as the frost is out of the ground and Klehr excavating can start to address the trouble areas.

### 4) **Other Business:**

- Review and award contracts:
  1. Dust Coating: Received bids from Northern Salt, Quality Propane and Envirotech After review Supervisor Kornder made a motion After review Cox made a motion to award the contract to Valley Aggregates. Kornder seconded. All in favor, Motion carried.to accept the bid from Northern Salt. Supervisor Cox seconded, all in favor, motion carried.
  2. Grading: Received bids from Pfarr Away trucking and Klehr Grading and Excavating. After review Kornder made a motion to award the contract to Klehr Grading, Cox seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
  3. Mowing ditches: Received bids from Pfarr Away Trucking, Klehr Grading and T.J Deutsch Ditch mowing. After review Kornder made a motion to award the contract to Klehr Grading. Cox seconded. All in favor, Motion carried.
  4. Gravel: Received bids from Valley Aggregates, Chard Grading and Union Trail aggregates. After review Cox made a motion to award contract to Valley Aggregates, Kornder seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
  5. Hauling: Received bids from Pfarr Away Trucking, Klehr Grading and Excavating and Max Johnson Trucking. After review Cox made a motion to award the contract to Klehr Grading. Kornder seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
  6. Snow Removal: Received bid from Pfarr Away Trucking. Dvorak Declined to send in a bid. After review Kornder made a motion to award the contract to Pfarr Away, Cox seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Ryan Pfarr addressed the Board stating that the bids he submitted were intended to be all together. His company would be awarded all or none of the contracts. He wanted to go back to his partners to discuss if they would accept this one contract. He would be back at the next meeting with their decision. Jeff Klehr asked if the board would accept other bids. The board told him that since the contract was refused that left it open for other bids to be accepted. Award of the Snow Removal contract was tabled until the May meeting.
  
- Miranda Mine Expansion EAW: Kornder explained that this was just a request for public comments and that the Township is not required to do anything at this time.

### 5) **Road Reports & Issues:**

All of the Townships gravel roads are in rough shape. It sounds like the weather will soon be cooperating and Jeff Klehr said that as soon as the roads dry up a little his crew will be out grading. The Supervisors made a plan to meet Jeff Klehr at the Township Hall on April 15<sup>th</sup> at 0800 to conduct a road review.

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

7) **Meetings Attended or Upcoming:**

- Legal Seminar by Couri and Ruppe                      June 1<sup>st</sup>                      Albertville City Hall

**Motion to Adjourn:** Motion made at 8:10 p.m. by Kornder and seconded by Cox to adjourn.

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Chairman: Mark Schultz

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Minutes prepared by: Peggyann De Voto, Clerk