

BELGRADE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
NICOLLET COUNTY SATELLITE OFFICE
July 10th, 2018
MINUTES

The Belgrade Township regular monthly meeting for July was held on July 10th, 2018 at the Nicollet County Satellite Offices in North Mankato. Chairperson Mary Milbrath, Supervisor Craig Smith, Supervisor Randy Gish, Supervisor Tom Langdon, Treasurer Richard Timm and Clerk Lori Cullen were present as well as Harlan Olson, Joseph Cullen, Don and Eileen Darling, Jason (Ground Zero) and Dave Chambers. Supervisor Tim Lorentz was absent.

Mary called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Mary called for additional agenda items. Randy made a motion to approve the agenda with the additional items. Tom seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Randy made a motion to approve the June 12th Meeting Minutes. Craig seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Richard Timm gave the Treasurer's Report for June. There is \$16,233.93 in the Checking account, \$8,617.98 in the Platinum account and \$504,706.87 in the ICS account as of June 30th, 2018. There was a deposit for the first half of the county money, which is part of the ICS account balance read. In July there was a deposit of \$57,481.34 which is not reflected in the June totals. Craig made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Tom seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Claims were reviewed from June 2018, as well as June payroll. Tom made a motion to accept the June claims and payroll. Randy seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Mary reminded everyone of Board Meeting Etiquette.

OLD BUSINESS

There were no additions or corrections to Old Business: Road Sweeping / Bridge signs / Minnesota Association of townships "Keeping Minnesota Nice" / Election open positions / Annual polling place / Post 5-day notice on website / Spillway update / Schwickert cartway / Burnett Cartway expenses / Lawyer - Alex Johnson / Employee overtime/work week/Don's Driver's License upgrade / Weeds / Mowing / Timeclock / Grading schedule

NEW BUSINESS

Jason gave some pricing quotes to the board on 12", 18", 24" and 36" culverts as well as 12", 18", 24" and 36" aprons to prevent jam ups. He also gave pricing on removal and installation costs. Jason said he has had good experience with the dual wall because it is ribbed and has less joints (which are beveled). Metal pipes do not line up as well at the seams. Dust coating has been applied and gravel hauling is done. Harlan asked if Timber Lane was graveled twice. Jason explained that the roads that were read to him at the June 12th meeting and then texted to him were the roads they put gravel on. The roads will get their 2nd dust coating most likely in August. Craig also had some estimates from another company. Dave Chambers said he was told about the culvert work on Old River Bluff and put together a price per hour estimate that he submitted to the board. Dave suggested if the board decides to purchase the dual wall culvert that we can get them directly from LeSueur. Dave also offered to try to clean a culvert using something he designed. He said he would give the township a very good deal to try it. If it works, it could save money. Craig made a motion to allow Dave to try cleaning out one or two culverts. Randy seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Mary received a phone call requesting that the thistle patches all get mowed. Craig said Don mowed a single pass along all the township roads so far. Harlan said the company hired to spray did a very patchy job. Randy suggested that Tim call and address the issue with them. Harlan said there is wild parsnip that should have been sprayed as well.

Mary reported to Justin Block regarding Kearns Addition, Old River Bluff and Timber Lane. He referred her to Seth Greenwood. Seth referred her to an engineer named Ryan Bodie from the Dirt Merchants. He assessed the areas of concern and said they would be expensive repairs. The township will need to give dates of washouts and repair estimates together to submit for state aid.

Craig spoke with a business in Courtland that does culverts. They have been too busy to meet with him but will meet with Craig as soon as possible. They will be looking at the spillway by Charlie Smith's and the Kearns culverts.

Craig received a phone call regarding Belgrade Township's official Facebook page. We don't have one. The board requested that Lori post information on our township website that we do not have any Facebook page. Lori will check into the details and speak with Tim, who is the administrator of that page.

Craig also received an anonymous call complaining about the hills due to a vehicle fishtailing around and what seems to be intentional tearing up of the hills. Craig called the Nicollet County Sheriff to make him aware of the situation. They said they will try to keep a closer watch on that situation.

The Nicollet Fire Department has the truck ordered. Craig has seen pictures. We will be billed for that probably in two parts. The total will be around \$90,000.00.

Mary went to a meeting called Local Water Management. They were talking about ravines washing away. Mary asked if there was a possibility of making buffer zones or making set back changes to current rules. Planning and Zoning may need to get involved.

July 18th is the Nicollet Township County Association meeting.

ADJOURN

Tom made a motion to adjourn. Craig seconded the motion. The motion passed, and the meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Mary Milbrath, Chair

Date

Lori Cullen, Clerk
