

**BELGRADE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
NICOLLET COUNTY SATELLITE OFFICE
June 13th, 2017**

The Belgrade Township regular monthly meeting for June was held on June 13th, 2017 at the Nicollet County Satellite Offices in North Mankato. Chairman Craig Smith, Supervisor Mary Milbrath, Supervisor Randy Gish, Supervisor Tim Lorentz, Supervisor Tom Langdon, Treasurer Richard Timm and Clerk Lori Cullen were present as well as Harlan Olson, Attorney Alex Johnson, Scott Weilage and Jason from Ground Zero .

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

Craig called for Additional Agenda Items and Approval of Agenda. Randy made a motion to approve the additional agenda items. Mary seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The minutes from the May 9th 2017 meeting were reviewed. Randy made a motion to approve the minutes. Tom seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Richard Timm gave the Treasurer's Report for May. There is \$32,698.54 in the Checking account, \$11044.15 in the Platinum account and \$288,482.67 in the ICS account as of May 31st, 2017. *(In April there was \$22,161.02 in the Checking account, \$12,896.91 in the Platinum account and \$303,258.73 in the ICS account as of April 31st, 2017.)* Tom made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Tim seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Claims were reviewed from May 2017, as well as May's payroll. Tom questioned the high Zeigler bill. Harlan explained some of the breakdown of the bill. Randy made a motion to approve the claims and payroll. Tom seconded the motion. The motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

There is supposed to be one person from each board overseeing noxious weeds. Randy nominates Supervisor Tim to oversee noxious weeds. Tim accepted the nomination. Tom seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The board is prioritizing culvert cleaning, which hasn't been done for several years. Many are buried, which will result in road issues if not taken care of.

Deputy Clerk and Deputy Treasurer need to be selected by Lori and Richard - Lori asked Joan Untiedt to be Deputy Clerk. Scott Weilage volunteered to be Deputy Treasurer.

NEW BUSINESS

SAS (Census) update - Mary took a Webinar class. Its all done electronically. Census work starts in July. It will be an ongoing process until April of 2018.

MN Dept of Ecomonic Developement Grants for roads - Mary found potential grant money available on the internet. There is 22.6 million dollars available. There is a meeting Monday, June 19th, at the MN District office. If we're qualified for a grant we need to find a grant writer.

DEED – The name for broadband grants. Mary said she has made several phone calls, and was told she will be given a contact name this Friday. County commissioner Denny told Mary about the contact. Diane Wells said we are under served and under subscribed. Grant opportunities end in September. Randy will do some checking as well. Tom said to contact Cory from LTD Broadband.

Huntley-Wilmarth Transmission line Project. - Craig, Tom and Randy will attend the meeting on June 21st. Not sure if Belgrade township will be a part of it. Mary said "It's a huge deal". Randy said they have been planning this since 2009.

Attorney Alex Johnson, an annexation lawyer addressed the board regarding annexation laws. He brought helpful handouts for us to look at. Mary spoke with Steve Finske from MAT who said we should not talk to any city regarding annexation without legal representation. Alex

Lori will be attending clerk training by MAT on June 21. The cost is \$60.

OTHER BUSINESS

Dust Control – Jason was here and said they plan to apply dust control Thurs/Fri of this week.

Scott Weilage had questions regarding dust control. Might the township consider a coop situation where the township pays half and the residents pay half. Hawkins Inc provides magnesium chloride. Craig explained the culvert issues and several other infrastructure issues that have commanded more financial focus. At this time the board won't be considering a Dust Control coop.

ADJOURN

Randy made a motion to adjourn. Tim seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned @ 8:15pm.

Craig Smith, Chairman

Date

Lori Cullen, Clerk