

Supervisor Board Meeting Minutes
March 16, 2021

Silver Creek Township

On Tuesday March 16, 2021 the Silver Creek Board of Supervisors met at the Silver Creek Town Hall located at 3827 134th Street NW, Monticello, Minnesota 55362, Wright County, and State of Minnesota. The meeting was tape recorded for transcribing purposes only.

Vice Chair Barry Heikkinen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. There were 15 people in the audience at the start of the meeting. Roll call was taken.

Board Members Present

Dan Ness, Supervisor	Barry Heikkinen, Supervisor
Chris Klein, Supervisor	
Mike Ludenia, Supervisor	Nancy Betzler, Clerk/Treasurer

Absent: Sandy Forman

All present stood and recited the pledge of allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

OPEN FORUM: Trina Ness requested that Supervisor Klein keep track of hours worked as a Supervisor & as a maintenance employee. Sally Heikkinen stated that she received a text with interaction between Supervisor Klein and Supervisor Heikkinen and would like the Board to address the comments because she does not know how the Board can move forward pro-actively when these kind of comments are being made to each other.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Motion by Supervisor Ludenia, second by Supervisor Ness to approve agenda. Supervisor Heikkinen would like to continue social media policy to next meeting along with technology & resolution requesting county moratorium on gravel pits, so we have a full board present for discussion and continue DNR data request Motion amended & seconded for changes. Motion carried 3-1.

Approval of the Consent Agenda: Regular meeting minutes 02/16/2021, 03/02/2021 and Audit meeting of 02/16/2021. Motion by Supervisor Ludenia to approve, second by Supervisor Ness. Motion carried 4-0.

List of Claims (List of Disbursements presented to Board at Meeting) – Included check numbers 16784-167835 in the total amount of \$99,376.23. Motion by Supervisor Ness to approve, second by Supervisor Ludenia. Motion carried 4-0.

Affidavit of Official Interest in Claims – Motion to approve claim by Supervisor Ness, second by Supervisor Ludenia. Motion carried, 3-0-1 abstained, Chris Klein interested party.

Audit of Claims: 16801 Big Lake Floral	\$ 70.00
16807 Cintas Corp	79.38
16811 Couri & Ruppe	1815.00
16819 M-R Signs	86.76

Motion by Supervisor Ludenia to approve, second by Supervisor Ness. Motion carried, 4-0

Clerk/Treasurer's Report:

Wright Co Officers Assn. Meeting will be April 8 at 7pm at the WC Justice Center, Room 7687. Should be start renting the hall out Will wait until the Governor opens things up.

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We received a complaint about a basketball hoop and signs on the 127th St. They said they did call the Sheriff also. Supervisor Heikkinen will stop and talk to the resident about it. Do we want to donate to the libraries again this year? In the past we have given \$1000 to the Clearwater Library and \$500 to the Maple Lake Library. Motion by Supervisor Klein to prepare payment to the Maple Lake & Clearwater libraries for what we have given them in the past, second by Supervisor Ludenia. Motion carried 4-0. We received an email about a broadband questionnaire. Supervisor Ness will fill it out.

Balance as of February 28, 2021

Revenue Account:	\$143,523.80	Fire Fund	\$ 57,276.28
Road & Bridge Acct:	<u>339,676.59</u>	Contingency Fund	9,117.21
Total Available	483,200.39	Checks Out	7,611.22
		Checking	24,558.29

Motion by Supervisor Ludenia to approve report, second by Supervisor Klein. Motion carried 4-0.

MAINTENANCE REPORT:

Supervisor Ludenia reported, grader about ready, working on culvert trailer it is in good shape and wondering about getting it painted, it would cost around \$1800. Motion by Supervisor Ludenia to spend up to \$2000 for sand blasting and painting, second by Supervisor Ness. Motion carried 4-0. Will paint it yellow if the cost is the same. We need a motion to advertise for quotes for 20,000 gallons of chloride, chip sealing for 150th and for crack filling. Motion by Supervisor Klein to advertise for crack filling, chip sealing and chloride application, second by Supervisor Ludenia. Motion carried 4-0. One of the employees had an incident with the pickup and wondering how to handle it. A closed meeting will be set up with the Attorney when he is available. Will try to set for March 25th at 7pm. They got the LIRP application submitted and there were over 400 applicants for a total of 75 million dollars.

Old Business:

Midco Franchise Bond: They dropped off the bond. Motion by Supervisor Ness that we accept the \$10,000 bond from Midco for the franchise bond for this construction season. Second by Supervisor Ludenia. Motion rescinded and send contact to the Attorney for review and vote on it at the next meeting. Motion passed 4-0.

Social Media Policy: Continue to the next meeting

Private Property Damage: Continue to the closed meeting on the 25th.

DNR Data request: continued to the next meeting.

New Business:

Bishop Ave Question: Received an email from resident on Bishop about when they will get a hard surface on the road. We have budget constraints this year and we will revisit it again next year to see how the budget is then There have also been requests from residents in the town of Silver Creek for hard surface on Emerson. There are dead end roads that have a lot of traffic and could be considered for hard surface.

DNR Request: in old business.

Technology: Continued to next meeting

Resolution requesting County Moratorium on gravel pits: Continued to next meeting.

Water in right of way: There was water coming close to the road across from Barton's pit on Appleton Ave. Discussed options to try to correct the issue, such as culverts, stand pipes and french drains. Road is not damaged yet. Water and Soil has done some work on this type of issue and we can check with them for information. Continue to next meeting

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Maple Lake Fire Fees: Maple Lake had their annual meeting and would like to raise the fees to save for the purchase of a new fire hall. They will come in to discuss it. Continue to the April 20th meeting.

Olson's Campground Liquor License: The County sent the license to be signed and returned to them. Motion by Supervisor Ness to sign the liquor license agreement for Olson's Campground, second by Supervisor Ludenia. Motion carried 4-0.

Quotes for seal coat & chloride: Discussed in maintenance report.

Misc.: Supervisor Heikkinen would like the Board to have a workshop or retreat so the Board members could work out some issues. The Attorney will be here on the 25th for the closed meeting so we can have him stay for the following retreat type Supervisor meeting

Adjournment: Motion by Supervisor Ness to adjourn, second by Supervisor Ludenia. All present in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted
Silver Creek Township Clerk
Nancy Betzler
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Approved by Board of Supervisors
04/06/2021

