

October 12, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of Hutchinson Township met at Gopher Campfire. Chairman Brent Uecker called the meeting to order. Members present were Brent Uecker, Craig Powell, Jon Christensen, Michelle Uecker and Craig Schmeling. Guest – Larry Murphy

The Clerk's minutes of the September 2023 regular meeting were sent via email prior to meeting. Craig Powell moved to approve the minutes. Second by Jon Christensen. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report of receipts, expenditures and balances was given, and the checkbook was reconciled. Beginning September Balance was \$344,297.89. and ending balance was \$340,466.95. Jon Christensen moved to approve the report. Second by Craig Powell. Motion carried.

Receipts

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| • Mid Country Bank (Interest) | \$8.18 |
| • State of MN (Fine Sharing) | \$40.00 |
| • McLeod County (2023 DNR In Lieu Tax) | \$1.73 |

Craig Powell made a motion to pay the following bill. Second by Jon Christensen. Motion Carried

Bills

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| • Michael Murphy Const. ((September Road Maintenance & Ditch Cleanup) | \$9,869.06 |
| • Xtratyme Technologies (Monthly Invoice) | \$34.60 |
| • City of Hutchinson (2023 Fire Levy) | \$44,942.00 |
| • Craig Schmeling (Microsoft 365 Renewal) | \$99.99 |
| • U.S. Treasury (FICA Tax) | \$1,409.90 |

Old Business:

- 210th St & Co Rd 71 Culvert Washout – Brent had Borka Exc. Take a look and they will repair as soon as they can. There is currently no danger of collapse with the road. Brent is also talking with the County about sharing the cost. – Quote from Borka Exc. (Attached) for all repairs, except the culvert which the Township must get for \$11,000.00 – Craig Powell motioned to approve, 2nd by Jon Christensen. Carried – Job not completed yet
- Mark Heitz – Variance for House on Echo Lake – Map Attached - Brent Uecker moved to approve the variance for My Heitz. Second by Craig Powell. Carried – No further action needed.
- APR_1st addition – 202nd Circle Station Road Approval – After some discussion amongst the Supervisors and getting Larry Murphy's opinion, the approval on the addition to the 202nd Circle road was tabled until the new addition is brought up to the grade of the existing road so they match up and there is not a large drop like there is presently. – **Craig Powell Made a Motion to Approve the Road. Second by Jon Christensen. Carried**
- Road Concerns – Larry Murphy stated the Brush on Omega still needs to be picked out of the ditch and there is a tree on O'day Ave (near Bruce Anderson's) that needs to be trimmed back. The board told Larry to go ahead and take care of both issues. – This was taken care of – No motion needed.

Concerns from Residents:

- Ryan Huls – Co Rd 7 - addressed the Board with concerns of what is happening across the road from his residence by his mailbox. Mr. Huls stated that he has built up and maintained a pad in the ditch for his mailbox and the area before his mailbox so the postal service can have an area to drive up to his mailbox for the past 20 some years with is own funds. This year, the employees of the farmer who farms the land decided they would start using this area as a new approach instead of the 2 approaches that already exist and this is both doing damage to the edge of the asphalt roadway as well as his gravel area he built for mail delivery. Mr. Huls showed a clip of a video he took that showed a heated confrontation with one of the employees who told Mr. Huls to call the Sheriff and report it. Mr. Huls would prefer to handle this without involving the Sheriff, but if can't be resolved he will take legal action next. The farmer stated he would get the gravel moved back up the ditch bank to where it should be and tell his employees to not use this area to access this field anymore and to use one of the actual approaches.

New Business

- Roads Larry Murphy discussed a possible issue on 210th St East of Major Ave. The 3rd house put in a temporary approach, without a culvert to put an addition on their home. This approach was not approved by the board and is still there. There is concerns about the blockage of water flow in the ditch and possible backup onto the roadway. Brent will take a look and bring info to the next meeting.

Meetings:

Concerns from Residents:

- Nothing brought forward

Adjournment

There being no further business before the board, Jon Christensen made a motion to adjourn. Second by Craig Powell. Motion carried.

_____ Chairman _____ Clerk