

Silver Creek Township
Monthly Board Meeting Minutes
March 02, 2021

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Silver Creek Board of Supervisors met on Tuesday, March 02, 2021 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.

Chair Forsman called the Supervisor meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Supervisor Klein to continue meeting until after the P&Z Meeting, second by Supervisor Ness. Motion carried. There were 15 people in the audience at the start of the meeting. All present stood and recited the pledge of allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. Motion by Supervisor Klein to re-open the meeting at 10pm second by Supervisor Ludenia. Carried.

Board Members Present

Barry Heikkinen, Supervisor
Dan Ness, Supervisor
Sandy Forsman

Chris Klein, Supervisor
Mike Ludenia, Supervisor
Nancy Betzler, Clerk

Board Members Absent: None

OPEN FORUM: Tom Vanek asked a question about how is the wide the right of way. The right of way is 33 feet. He asked why the snow plowing is being done when there is less than 3 inches. Sometimes it is done with less than 3 inches depending on the other conditions, ice under snow or because of blowing snow. Johann Massmann mentioned that the roads look great.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Motion by Supervisor Klein to move the agenda items around we need to do the budget because it has been continued too many time and the Hakanson Proposal for 97th, 101 and Amery, move the DNR request to new business letter e and see what we get worked through, we most likely have to continue this and move crack filling up under the Hakanson Anderson. Private property and social media can be moved down. Second by Supervisor Ludenia. Supervisor Heikkinen would like to discuss the resolution requesting county moratorium on gravel pits. Call for the vote Motion carried 3-2. Agenda changed.

Approval of the Consent Agenda Item:

Minutes 02/16/2021 Motion by Supervisor Klein to continue to the next meeting, second by Supervisor Forsman. Motion carried 5-0.

List of Claims to include check # 16784-16788 in the amount of \$4880.20. Motion to approve by Supervisor Ludenia, second by Supervisor Klein, carried 5-0.

Affidavit of Official Interest in Claims: Motion to approve by Supervisor Ludenia, second by Supervisor Heikkinen. Motion carried 4-0-1 abstained, Chris Klein interested party.

Old Business:

Budget: The Board discussed the presented budget. Motion by Supervisor Klein to accept the general fund budget. Second by Supervisor Forsman. Amended to change recycling to \$52000.00 Motion passed 5-0. Motion by Supervisor Klein to accept the Road & Bridge Budget presented. Second by Supervisor Heikkinen. Amended to add \$10,000 to motor fuels budget Motion passed 4-1.

Hakanson Proposal 97th 101st and Amery: Discuss the options for engineering the project. This would be part of the road improvement budget of \$428,000. Motion by

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Supervisor Heikkinen that we enter into the agreement with Hakanson Anderson for engineering for \$18,000. Second by Supervisor Ness. Motion passed 5-0.

New Business:

Crack filling quote. We got some preliminary pricing for hiring someone to do it or if we did it ourselves and it comes out about the same price. Astech Co has come down in price. Reviewed the prices. Motion by Supervisor Heikkinen that we send a request for quotes for crack filling for various roads in Silver Creek Township. Second by Supervisor Ludenia. Amended for 20,000 and 30,000 lbs. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Supervisor Klein that we continue the remaining items until the meeting on 03-16-2021. Second by Supervisor Ludenia. Supervisor Ness would like to discuss the resolution requesting county moratorium on gravel pits. Discussion followed on why this was needed. Supervisor Heikkinen stated that we need to review the notification process, need to study the health & environmental effects, discuss the gravel tax, review setback requirements, look at new guidelines & regulations, look at ground water contamination & testing and review reclamation requirements. We should establish a committee to work on it. Vote for the motion to continue the remaining items to the next meeting, carried 3-2.

MISC:

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Supervisor Klein, second by Supervisor Heikkinen. Motion carried. Adjourned at 11:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Silver Creek Township Clerk
Nancy Betzler
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Approved by Board of Supervisors
March 16, 2021

