

Silver Creek Township

Board meeting

April 16, 2024

Call to order and the pledge of Allegiance:

- Supervisor Helman called the meeting at order 4/16/24 @ 7pm.
- Supervisors present: Mike Helman, Brandon Geyen and Sandy Forsman
- 2 residents in attendance
- Board members absent: Chris Newman and Ryan Nelson

Open Forum:

- Nothing

Review and Approval of Agenda:

- Supervisor Helman asked to add under old business Road Tour and New business add special meeting for fire contract. Supervisor Geyen made a motion to accept the agenda with the added items, second by Supervisor Forsman, Carried 3-0.

Approval of Agenda Items:

- No regular meeting minuets available from 4/2/24
- Motion by Supervisor Forsman to approve list of disbursements, second by Supervisor Geyen, carried 3-0.

Audit of claims:

- 18721-\$271.17, 18724 \$1,457.50, 18726 \$3,193.00 and 18736 \$170.00

Clerk/Treasure report:

General Fund \$106,066.14

R&B	\$519,143.95	Fire Fund	\$49,836.32
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Total	\$625,210.09	Contingency	\$9,642.85
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ARPA Fund	\$13,772.51	Checking	\$24,645.43
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Maintenance report:

- Shaping and grading roads and removing snow equipment.

Old Business:

- Discussion with clean-up day rates: last meeting board agreed to follow the County prices. Interim Clerk/Treasure spoke with Supervisor Helman earlier in the day and she thought the steep increase would prevent people from dropping off junk items.
- Chris Klein said there was no cost for appliances other than the dumpster at \$100.00. The board agreed to keep appliance prices at \$5.00 and set tires rates as follows Car Tire went from \$2.00 to \$5.00, Semi Truck Tire from \$8.00 to \$15.00 and Tractor Tire from \$10.00 to \$50.00. Truck full from \$10 .00 to \$20.00, Small Pickup \$15.00-\$25.00 and Pick up load \$20.00-\$30.00. Motion made by Supervisor Geyen and Second by Supervisor Forsman, Carried 3-0.
- Hill/sight line on 120th estimate was tabled until special meeting, next week.
- Letter about tires on property located on 114th, board agreed to have maintenance send a letter, attempts have been made to speak with property owner and no one has been home. Maintenance figure there are over 100 tires on the property.
- Letter to remove and or fix driveway approach on Endicott that was installed without a permit. Supervisor Geyen will take on this task and speak with the parties involved and come back to the board with direction.
- Letter to work in the road right away, 95th Ave/Endicott, board agreed to have maintenance send a letter to property owner seeking permission.
- Motion made by Supervisor Geyen, Second by Supervisor Forsman to place ad in Monticello Paper for clerk/treasure position, Carried 3-0.
- New road tour dates are needed and possible date was discussed April 29 or April 30 at 9am. Clerk with send out an email asking what days' work better for staff.

New Business:

- Supervisor Helman talked about the new contract language for Monticello Fire Contract and was seeking permission to have Twp Attorney review the language. Motion made by Supervisor Geyen, second by Supervisor Forsman, Carried 3-0.
- No comments were made from the board or members of the public on the new proposed amendment to County floodplain ordinance changes.
- Discussion about Twp responsibility with culverts that collapse's or plugs in the Twp right away. Maintenance found a culvert collapsed and doesn't ever remember this coming up on who's responsible. Who pays for repair and if it's the homeowner, what happens if they cannot pay? What if it wasn't properly sized can we make the homeowner bring it up to specs or does it get replaced same size. Supervisor Helman and Geyen thought it would be the homeowner

because the Twp doesn't pay to install new culverts. Maintenance said if it's not fixed it could undermine the road. Maintenance would like to also have a policy when they come up in the future. Supervisor Helman suggested we reach out to the attorney for clarification. Motion made by Supervisor Geyen and Second by Forsman to have Supervisor Helman speak with the Twp attorney. Carried 3-0.

- Discussion about tax forfeited property PID 204100364400 along County Rd 7&Gowan Ave. Maintenance suggested the board writes a letter to County maintenance and board member asking that the property stays with Wright County for future road repair. If County Rd 7 is ever redone the Twp/County could use that property to fix the approach of Gowan Ave and help with the line of sight issues. Most of the .087 acres is swamp and no use for housing. Supervisor Helman said he would work on a letter to the County.
- Contracts were signed for the overlays projects from Knife River for 351,559.50. Motion made by Supervisor Geyen and Second by Supervisor Forsman, Carried 3-0
- Discussion about special meeting next week to approve Maple Lake Fire Contract, 120th street repair and Culvert purchase. Board looked at April 22nd at 5pm and April 30th at 7pm. Clerk will see what works with Supervisors.
- Motion made by Supervisor Geyen to adjourn, Second by Forsman, Carried 3-0.

Meeting ended at 8:27pm.