

**Silver Creek Township
Supervisor Board Meeting Minutes
June 06, 2023.**

Call to Order and the Pledge of Allegiance:

Chairman Newman called the meeting to order at 8:05pm on June 06, 2023 at the Silver Creek Township Hall. All those present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present:

Chris Newman, Chairman	Mike Helman, Vice Chairman
Sandy Forsman, Road Authority	Ryan Nelson, Supervisor
Brandon Geyen, Supervisor	Heidi Eckerman, Clerk/Treasurer

5 guests in attendance were signed in.

4 guests on Zoom

OPEN FORUM: No Comments

REVIEW and APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Motion to approve the agenda by: Supervisor Helman; Supervisor Helman redacted his motion to approve the agenda. Supervisor Helman made a motion to approve the minutes with the addition to add under New Business; Seconded by Supervisor Geyen. Carried 5-0.

Approval of Prior Minutes and Disbursements:

Motion made by Supervisor Nelson to approve the Supervisor Board Meeting Minutes of 05-16-2023; Seconded by Supervisor Helman. Carried 5-0.

A Statement of Claims and Disbursements was printed out for the Board.

Motion was made to approve the List of Claims/Disbursements by Supervisor Geyen; Seconded by Supervisor Nelson. Carried 5-0.

Clerk/Treasurer Report:

MN State Demographer in April 1, 2022 Population estimate: 2,632.

MN State Demographer in April 1, 2022 Household estimate: 934.

Chair Dolly's are tabled for now.

Timesheets that are more Auditor Friendly. Work in Progress.

Town Review is on June 14th in Burnsville. Chairman recommended to members.

MN Association of Townships membership cards for the board, for discounted motels.

Next Supervisor Board meeting will be on July 6th, 2023

Maintenance Report:

Supervisor Forsman spoke to Accept and Approve of Asphalt overlays bids.

Motion made by Supervisor Helman to accept the base bid overlay from Knife River Corporation for \$328,058.20 and postpone the alternate 156th St at this time; Seconded by Supervisor Geyen. Discussion about millings, and what the cost is. So for now it will be maintained as gravel until we change it or we will do the millings since we are putting on hold the asphalt. Carried 5-0.

Maintenance purchased a packer.

Updates to culverts:

Culverts to be cleaned & extended on County Road 111 & 119th St. Asphalt patch to limit erosion off the pavement area, to keep gravel from washing.

New Cross road culvert under 145th St at Clementa Ave. Need's to work with land owners.

New cross road culvert and ditch cleaning on Minimum Maintenance road 95th St off Endicott Ave. Water runs/erodes across 95th St.

Motion made by Supervisor Nelson, to reach out the lawyer to ask him about this situation to cross t's and dot l's and go from there. I like culverts, and our number one job is road and road safety, and if safety is going to be an issue with the road flooding even if it's four times in the

last 8 years or whatever the number is, I think it's worth looking into for a few hundred bucks. Ask the lawyer what he says, when it comes to that. And then obviously, were out making a move a lot of the roads that we have, I mean everything was grave four years ago, and we're making a move to make everything asphalt or chip-seal, there's going to come a time where we were going to have a conversation to make Clementa chip-seal I'm sure so why not start with something like this where you would have that culvert in place before so you have a good base. That's where I would come from on that. I think it would be worth a few hundred bucks to talk to a lawyer about where we stand on something this. That would be my motion. Seconded by Supervisor Helman. Discussion by Supervisor Helman, spoke about other culvert problems and we should know from the attorney an answer because this is not going to be the first culvert issue.

After discussion Supervisor Nelson repeated his motion: Supervisor Nelson would like to make a motion that we contact our Township Lawyer about the situation that we have here on Clementa and 145th about maybe putting a culvert in that road to prevent the flooding of the road and having to close it. Seconded by, Supervisor Helman. Clerk will email the Attorney. Carried 5-0.

Culvert under Gowan: Sugar Lake is rising, residents have their sump pumps running, they're getting flooded. The culvert was running at 75% capacity, Clearwater Township thinks there is something lodged in the culvert that is blocking the flow, and not allowing the lake to recede. The culver is lodged with something or if you look at the culver at the extensions are rusted and falling apart that they believe that there is integrity problems with the culvert itself, also that it may have collapsed on the inside. Nobody knows for sure. It is approximately 100ft in length, and 25 feet deep. The proposal for the study which is a: Topographic Study, Hydraulic Risk Assessment Report and Replacement Culvert Design will cost \$30,000.00. Because it is a town road that is mutually shared with Silver Creek Township, costs are shared. Services that are not included in that cost is: Geotechnical Investigation, Construction Staking, Actual ADT Analysis and Permitting Fees. Clearwater Township will be having a meeting on Wednesday June 14th, 2023. Chairman Newman, Road Authority Sandy Forsman will be attending the meeting.

Culvert on 134th that blew off it's extension. The extension that blew off was the newer part of the culvert and the bottom of the culvert had a lot of pin holes in it. Does the old culvert through the road warrant replacement vs just fixing it and getting by with it? Wright County Highway Dept. doesn't do inspections any longer, they hire it out to Michael Leonard from Stantec, our Engineer Hakanson & Anderson could do it, what does the Board want to do. Get estimate for the next meeting.

Chip Sealing Quotes are out (advertising) – scheduled to open quotes third week of June.

119th & Banyon – Resident is concerned about the road breaking apart and it's general condition with alligator cracking and chunking out. In 2025 it is slated to be completed.

135th St S of the interstate rest area – Resident said the State had a wetland pond and let it fill, now it's holding more water coming through the culvert and onto his and his neighbors land. Resident was wondering if the Township could lift the culvert up, so it leaves more water on the state land and less on his and his neighbors. Maintenance suggested the resident contact Wright County Soil & Water and see if the filled beyond what they were supposed to. Maintenance thinks that road is owned by the State of MN. We probably should be billing the State of MN for plowing, graveling and Chloride.

Adjournment:

Supervisor Geyen adjourned the meeting at 9:36pm; Seconded by Supervisor Helman, Carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heidi Eckerman
Silver Creek Township Clerk
June 6, 2023 Minutes
Approved by Board of Supervisors
July 6, 2023






