

Silver Creek Township
Monthly Board Meeting Minutes
December 03, 2019

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Silver Creek Board of Supervisors met on Tuesday December 03, 2019 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. Chairman Ness called the Supervisor meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. There were 4 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 made by Supervisor Ludenia to continue the meeting until after the P & Z meeting, second by Supervisor Heikkinen. Motion carried.

Motion by Supervisor Heikkinen to reopen the meeting at 7:40, second by Supervisor Ludenia. Motion carried. There was 2 people in the audience when the meeting reconvened.

Board Members Present

Dan Ness, Chairman	Chris Klein, Supervisor
Mike Ludenia, Supervisor	Barry Heikkinen, Supervisor
Sandy Forsman, Supervisor	Nancy Betzler, Clerk

Board Members Absent: None

OPEN FORUM: Dan Mielke had a question about what amount of impervious surface is allowed on lots. Discussion followed.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Added MN Dept. of Health and take off Great River Regional Trail Plan. Motion to approve with changes by Supervisor Heikkinen; second by Supervisor Ludenia. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of the Consent Agenda Item:

Regular Meeting Minutes 10/15/2019 and 11/19/2019. Motion by Supervisor Klein to approve; second by Supervisor Ludenia. Motion carried 5-0.

Old Business:

CMRP Membership App: Clerk will be primary contact on the application. Code of conduct form needs to be signed. Motion by Supervisor Ness to nominate Barry as the primary member to the CMRP Board and Chris as the alternate member to that board from our township. Second by Supervisor Forsman. Motion carried 5-0. Clerk will check on who should receive our payment for the membership fee.

150th St Update: Nothing at this time.

Drug Testing: MATIT insurance does not require drug testing. Federal government requires drug testing if vehicle is over 26001 lbs. Will continue testing until the end of our contract, July 1, 2020.

Hard Surface Preservation: Will continue until after budget meeting. Will have during the first meeting in February.

New Business:

MN Dept. of Health: Received a letter from them with some comments. Date on water filters and lack of back flow preventer. Maintenance department will take care of the issues. Will discuss at the first meeting in January.

Dead-end on Crowfoot: Property has now changed hands. The driveway access has been used for 25+ years for snow storage. A barricade was placed there that has been removed to continue using for snow storage. We will contact the home owner. There seem to be an abandoned car in the Locke Lake access. Will ask the Sheriff's office to check into it.

Organizational Meeting:

Selection of Chair and Vice Chair: Motion by Supervisor Forsman for Dan as Chairman and Barry for Vice Chair. Motion carried 5-0.

Name Newspaper used for legal ads. (Maple Lake Messenger) Motion by Supervisor Heikkinen to keep the same, second by Supervisor Ness. Motion carried 5-0.

Name Posting site for Township: (Posting board outside Town Hall and Silver Creek Website) Motion by Supervisor Klein to keep the same; second by Supervisor Ludenia. Motion Carried 5-0

Adopt schedule for meetings: (First & Third Tuesday of the Month) Motion by Supervisor Heikkinen to keep the same; second by Supervisor Ludenia. Motion to add and seconded if there is a conflict it will be 2 days following the conflicted Tuesday. Carried 5-0

Add payroll to the first meeting of the month. Motion by Supervisor Ness that Silver Creek Township conducts payroll the first and the second meeting of the month and bill paying the second meeting of the month. Second by Supervisor Forsman. Carried 5-0

Designate a Bank: (CorTrust Monticello): Motion by Supervisor Klein to keep the same bank CorTrust Monticello; second by Supervisor Ludenia. Carried 5-0.

Set Dates:

Audit Meeting: Will be second meeting in Feb starting at 6:00 pm.

Township Cleanup: Will hold May 2, 2020. Motion by Supervisor Ludenia to accept the dates for the Audit Meeting and Cleanup Day, second by Supervisor Heikkinen. Carried 5-0.

Road Tour: Will set at March meeting.

Committees:

Library and Fire Dept.: Motion by Supervisor Ness that Sandy continue on the library committee and Chris manages the fire department. Second by Supervisor Ludenia. Motion carried 5-0.

CMRP: Motion by Supervisor Ness that we have a third committee for the Central Mississippi River Regional Planning Partnership with Barry as the primary member and Chris as the secondary member for this committee. Second by Supervisor Forsman. Motion carried 5-0.

Current Resolutions & Ordinances: Everything up to date.

Pay rates:

Planning and Zoning: (\$50.00 per meeting+\$15.00 per hour for site inspections.) Motion by Supervisor Forsman to change the P & Z members to \$60.00 per meeting, second by Supervisor Ludenia. Motion carried 4-1.

Supervisor: (\$275.00 per month, \$15.00 hour for site inspections, rate for special meetings/training \$100.00, Land use meeting \$50.00). Election Judges (\$18.00 per hour \$20.00 Head Judge, no mileage for travel). Motion by Supervisor Klein to approve as written the Supervisor and Election Judges pay, second by Supervisor Ludenia. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Supervisor Ness that the representative attending the CMRP meeting be compensated at the rate of \$50.00 per meeting. Second by Supervisor Ludenia. Motion carried 4-1.

Hourly Rate for Appointed Positions:

Motion by Supervisor Forsman to continue the hourly rates for the appointed positions until we discuss our budget for 2020. Second by Supervisor Heikkinen. Motion carried 3-2.

2020 budget will be discussed at the 12-17-2019 meeting.
Conflict of interest resolutions will be done at next meeting 12-17-2019.
Clerk will call CPAs for approximate cost to have our yearly audits done.

Misc.:

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Supervisor Forsman, second by Supervisor Heikkinen. Motion carried. Adjourned at 9:15pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Silver Creek Township Clerk
Nancy Betzler
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Approved by Board of Supervisors
December 17, 2019

