

Silver Creek Township

On Tuesday December 20, 2016, the Silver Creek Board of Supervisors met 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 Ludenia called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. There were 6 people in the audience at the start of the meeting. Roll call was taken by the Chairman.

Board Members Present

Mike Ludenia, Chairman
Darren Flygare, Supervisor
Sandy Forsman, Supervisor
Chris Klein, Supervisor

Lenore Johnson, Treasurer
Nancy Betzler, Clerk

Board Members Absent: Dan Ness

All present stood and recited the pledge of allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

OPEN FORUM: Township Attorney was present to discuss a few issues. He updated the water issue on the Bosacker property issue. They are trying to a way to find a way to move water across the road and he is trying to meet with Barton Co. to discuss it with them. He has talked to Mr. Bosacker about them using a closed water system. He has been working on the playground property, the title is not recorded correctly at the county and the surveyor is looking at it now. His office will look back at old records and try to get it straighten out. A conflict of interest complaint has been filed with the sheriff's office about Chris Klein working for the township. He stated it is okay for supervisors to work for the township if resolutions are passed. The township did pass resolutions on the matter and all request information about the matter has been given to the Sheriff's office. Bob Esse. Thanks for cleaning the roads, good job snowplowing. He thinks Allan Brevik should be considered for the upcoming Supervisor opening, because he ran for the position and a lot of people voted for him. He did talk to the MN Association of Township about Chris working and he was told townships do have some supervisors doing work, but it does not look right to have a supervisor working for the township, the board finding work to be done and then a board member doing the work. That is what people are upset about.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Added special meeting for tree removal. Motion to approve by Supervisor Ness. Second by Supervisor Forsman. All present in favor. Motion Passed.

Approval of the Consent Agenda Items:

Regular Meeting Minutes 12/06/2016, List of Claims (List of Disbursements presented to Board at Meeting) – Included check numbers 14174-14225 in the total amount of \$65,639.78 and Affidavit of Official Interest in Claim. Motion to approve by Supervisor Ness, second by Supervisor Flygare. Motion Passed 4 yes 1 abstained Supervisor Klein, interested party. Motion Passed.

Audit of Claims: 14203 Little Falls Machine	\$ 31.03
14208 Miller Trucking	608.89
14212 Notch Manufacturing	375.00

Motion by Supervisor Forsman to approve Audit of Claims. Second by Supervisor Ness. All present in favor. Motion Passed.

Clerk Report: Gave notice for the Wright Co Township Meeting that will be January 5 at 7:30, a copy of the letter that West Central is sending out about recycling and a list of vendors where the township charges. Motion by Supervisor Ness to approve. Second by Supervisor Forsman. All present in favor. Motion Passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Lenore Johnson presented the following Treasurer's Report:

Balance before 11/15/2016/2016 Claims:	
Revenue Account:	\$ 228,188.82
Road & Bridge Acct:	<u>\$ 211,911.56</u>
Total Available	440,100.38
Fire Account:	\$ 39,731.65
Contingency Fund:	\$ 9,106.60
Checks out	\$ 1,331.32
Checking	\$ 269.25
To Deposit/Revenue	\$ 1,403.46
To Deposit/ R&B	\$ 4,023.79
Police Fines	

Motion to approve Treasurers report by Supervisor Flygare. Second by Supervisor Klein. All present in favor. Motion Passed.

New Business

Plan for Organizational Meeting: It will be the First Tuesday Jan 3, 2017 after the P & Z meeting.

Special Meeting: We will be having a special meeting Dec 27, 7:00pm for a public hearing on tree cutting on 145th St. if any of the residents request a hearing. It will be canceled if we hear from the residents before then.

Old Business

Bishop Ave Update: Met with the engineer, he will have his final report in about a month. He will have some numbers in a few weeks that we can work with for planning the budget.

Review new hires: Jamie has done some training and has helped with plowing a couple time. Lyn needs more training for the rural plowing and will be used on call.

MAINTENANCE REPORT

Brian was present to give report. They were able to get over and grade all the roads that needed grading after the melt and it turned out really well and have frozen up nicely for winter. Cut down big poplar trees on Endicott Ave., as weather permits will work on others. Plowing and grading roads as needed and maintaining equipment. Put up barricade on 95th St minimum maintenance road to close it for the winter. Training new operators for snow plowing. Got the new tires on the Mack, traded in old ones for half the cost of the new, moved the grader tires around and put the new tractor tires on. Supervisor Ludenia said that the new employee handbook will be taking effect January 1, 2017. Motion to approve by Supervisor Ness. Second by Supervisor Flygare. All present in favor. Motion Passed.

Misc. Supervisor Klein went over the 2016 budget items.

Adjournment: Motion by Supervisor Forsman to adjourn. Second by Supervisor Ness. All present in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted
Silver Creek Township Clerk
Nancy Betzler

December 20, 2016 Minutes
Approved by Board of Supervisor's
01/03/2017

