

Silver Creek Township

On Tuesday September 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 3 people in the audience at the start of the meeting. Roll call was taken by the Chairman.

Board Members Present

Mike Ludenia, Chairman	
Dan Ness, Supervisor	Lenore Johnson, Treasurer
Sandy Forsman, Supervisor	
Chris Klein, Supervisor	Nancy Betzler, Clerk

Board Members Absent: Darren Flygare

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

OPEN FORUM: Bob Esse said on October 20 at 7:00 pm there will be a Question & Answer meeting for the County Commissioner candidates at the township hall. Both Tom Perrault and Darek Vetsch will attend. Monticello Times editor Tim Hennagir will be the moderator.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Added to old business update Bishop, budget considerations and budget review. New business Open book meeting Supervisor Klein made a motion to approve the agenda. Second by Supervisor Forsman. All present in favor. Motion Passed.

Approval of the Consent Agenda Items:

Regular Meeting Minutes 09/06/2016, List of Claims (List of Disbursements presented to Board at Meeting) – Included check numbers 14013-114066 in the total amount of \$54,782.84 and Affidavit of Official Interest in Claim. Motion to approve by Supervisor Forsman, second by Supervisor Ness. Motion Passed 3 yes 1 abstained Supervisor Klein, interested party. Motion Passed.

Audit of Claims: 14038 Great American	\$ 69.47
14040 Jerrys Towing	300.00
14045 Kjellberg's Carpet	2,650.00

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

Clerk Report: New hall carpet will be put in this Thursday. The office will be done later. We can put the tables and chairs away after the meeting. New stove is in the kitchen, still looking for the microwave. Township Officers Meeting will be Oct 6th at 7 at Corinna Twp Hall. Wright Co. hearing on Solar Farms will be Oct 20. Someone called me and thought we need more light in the back of the parking lot. Motion to approve by Supervisor Ness. Second by Supervisor Forsman. All present in favor. Motion Passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Lenore Johnson presented the following Treasurer's Report:

Balance before 09/20/2016 Claims:

Revenue Account:	\$ 262,125.93
Road & Bridge Acct:	<u>\$ 356,721.05</u>
Total Available	618,846.98
Fire Account:	\$ 68,195.92
Contingency Fund:	\$ 9,106.38
Checks out	\$ 7,891.10
Checking	\$ 443.63
To Deposit/Revenue	\$ 141.12
To Deposit/ R&B	\$ 20.00
Police Fines	19.99

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

New Business

Recycling & Garbage Pickup: Discussed recycling and garbage pickup. The recycling contract will be up to renew soon and talked about trying to start garbage pickup also. If we want to try for the garbage pickup also we will need to contact our attorney for advice. Supervisor Forsman will try and find information from other townships or towns that have both recycling and garbage pickup.

Open Book Meeting: Local Board of Equalization and Appeal: Will get resolution written for next meeting to go the Open Book format in lieu of the formal Local Board of Appeal Meetings.

Old Business

Wright Co Changes to Ordinances Chapter 152 & 155: The board has no concerns so will not send response to the county, so they will assume that the town board has no objection.

Employee Handbook: Motion by Supervisor Ness to adopt employee handbook as prepared by our attorney. Second by Supervisor Ludenia. Motion Passed 3 yes 1 abstained by Chris Klein, interested party.

Update Bishop: Shane done with topography survey work, so the engineers are working on it in office. We should get a report by the second meeting in Oct.

Road tour/Budget consideration: A list was given of areas for Supervisors to check out.

2016 Budget Review: Budget for this year was discussed and what projects have been completed. To date we are under budget.

MAINTENANCE REPORT

Brian was present to give report. They made a cut of the weeds on all roads and rented the skid steer with brush attachment and did what could be done with the hours available on the machine. Should have enough sand mixed up for winter, salt coming when hauler has a back haul. Got the shoulders seeded and graded on Estes turn around. Replaced the culvert that was smashed on 94th St dead end and cleaned up the other culvert and ditch and fixed the washouts on the road. Extended the culvert on Crofoot dead end and widened it out to the right of way, also put a slope on the road by the pond where the muskrats were tunneling, seeded and blanketed it. Grading roads and packing when it rains. Gravel crushing should start next week. Will check with Doug Starry to talk about reclamation on west side. Motion by Supervisor Ness not to exceed \$3,000 for stripping cost on the Starry Pit. Second by Supervisor Forsman. All present in favor. Motion Passed. Motion to approve report by Supervisor Forsman. Second by Supervisor Ness. All present in favor. Motion Passed.

Misc.

Adjournment: Motion by Supervisor Klein to adjourn. Second by Supervisor Ness. All present in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted
Silver Creek Township Clerk
Nancy Betzler

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Approved by Board of Supervisor's
10/04/2016

