

Silver Creek Township

On Tuesday January 16, 2018, 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 was 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
Chris Klein, Supervisor

Barry Heikkinen, Supervisor
Lenore Johnson, Treasurer
Nancy Betzler, Clerk

Board Members Absent: Sandy Forsman

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

OPEN FORUM: Wayne Oberg from the City of Monticello was present to discuss the Monticello Fire Department fire contract. He gave information on the fire calls and the fire departments expenses. Their proposal is an increase to \$60.75 per parcel for 2018 up to \$62.00 per parcel by 2022. Motion by Supervisor Ness to send our proposal to the Monticello City Counsel for \$61.00 per parcel per year for a 5 year contract. Second by Supervisor Heikkinen. All present in favor. Motion Passed.

Mr. Oberg is not comfortable with the proposal, but will present it to the Monticello Counsel.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Motion to approve the agenda by Supervisor Ness. Second by Supervisor Klein. All present in favor. Motion Passed.

Approval of the Consent Agenda Items:

Regular Meeting Minutes 01/02/2018, List of Claims (List of Disbursements presented to Board at Meeting) – Included check numbers 14815-14867 in the total amount of \$ 98,308.79. Motion to approve by Supervisor Ness, second by Supervisor Heikkinen. All present in favor. Motion Passed.

Affidavit of Official Interest in Claim – Motion by Supervisor Heikkinen to approve official interest in claim. Second by Supervisor Ness. Motion Passed 3 yes 1 abstained Supervisor Klein, interested party.

Audit of Claims: 14832 Central McGowan	\$ 37.30
14855 B & F Fasteners	96.60
14860 Schultz Soft Water	105.00

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

Clerk Report

We need to change some of our meetings Nov 6 meeting because of Elections and set a date for the Board of Canvass. Moved to Nov 13, 2018. March 6 meeting because of Precinct caucus. Moved to March 7. We made out a check for \$135.00 to Freshwater Society for a Feb 8th meeting on chloride use, for Supervisor Klein to attend. We can void the check if he should not attend. Motion by Supervisor Ludenia to send him to the meeting. Second by Supervisor Heikkinen. All present in favor. Motion Passed. Our copier lease is up. Our average cost was \$160.30. They can now use the State contract so the new price per month will be 109.00 per month which should cover most of our needs. Motion by Supervisor Ness to adopt the new \$109 per month contract with Coordinated Systems for 3 years. Second by Supervisor Heikkinen. All present in favor. You received information about outside lighting around the building. We will wait until we build the new building to find out what lights we need. Motion to approve clerk report by Supervisor Ness Second by Supervisor Klein. All present in favor. Motion Passed.

MAINTENANCE REPORT

Brian was not present to give report. Plowed roads after the snow. Salt and sand applied to road as needed. Did brush cutting on Elder Ave to prepare for the road work next year, hoping to do more in the next week or so. There are a lot of trees and brush to cut. They are keeping track of the salt and sand being used. Motion to accept the maintenance report by Supervisor Ness. Second by Supervisor Heikkinen. All present in favor. Motion Passed

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Lenore Johnson presented the following Treasurer's Report:

Balance before 01-16-2018	Claims:
Revenue Account:	\$ 263,514.67
Road & Bridge Acct:	<u>\$ 423,487.01</u>
Total Available	687,001.68
Fire Account:	\$ 55,464.20
Contingency Fund:	\$ 9,107.57
Checks out	\$ 3,001.05
Checking	\$ 962.24
To Deposit/Revenue	\$ 310.00
To Deposit/ R&B	\$ 46.55
Police Fines	

Motion to approve Treasurers report by Supervisor Heikkinen. Second by Supervisor Ness. All present in favor. Motion Passed.

Old Business

127th St Light Wright Hennepin will be moving the light to the other side of CR 8. They will put a light on 127th & CR 111 for \$200 for the transformer and a monthly fee. The county will take over the light in Hasty. Motion by Supervisor Heikkinen to spend up to \$200 to put the light at CR 111 and 127th St. Second by Supervisor Klein. All present in favor. Motion Passed.

159th St Turnaround. Continue until we hear from the property owner.

Elder Ave Tree Cutting: Discussed in maintenance report.

Contract Starry Pit: Have not received the signed contract back.

Contract Monticello Fire: Discussed in open forum.

Frontier Comm. 150th St Right of Way Work; Engineer still working on the plans, continue until June.

Employee Handbook: Heard back from attorney and we can add that employee will not earn PTO when they are on short term disability. Motion by Supervisor Klein that we add it to the handbook. Second by Supervisor Heikkinen. All present in favor. Motion Passed. Discussed funeral leave. Will leave as written. Discussed working on a scale for employee compensation. Will continue to another meeting.

New Business:

Misc.: Mr. Becker was present to discuss the water issue on Appleton Ave. A couple of the Supervisors will check on the water level and will talk to the property owners. Discussed the budget proposal. Reviewed the draft 5 year road plan of work that needs to be done. Motion by Supervisor Klein to call for bids for chip seal for the gravel roads on the 2018 chip seal road improvements list. Bids due February 6, 2018 by 7PM. It will be advertised in the Maple Lake Newspaper, on our web site and on the town message board. Second by Supervisor Heikkinen. All present in favor. Motion Passed. Reviewed equipment usage list. Everyone should review the numbers for the next meeting

Adjournment: Motion by Supervisor Ness to adjourn. Second by Supervisor Heikkinen. All present in favor. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted
Silver Creek Township Clerk
Nancy Betzler

January 16, 2018 Minutes
Approved by Board of Supervisors
2/07/2018

