

Supervisor Board Meeting Minutes
May 17, 2022

Silver Creek Township

On Tuesday, May 17, 2022 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.

Chair Mike Ludenia called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. There were four people in the audience at the start of the meeting and three people on zoom.

Board Members Present

Mike Ludenia Chair	Sandy Forsman, Supervisor
Dan Ness, Supervisor	Barry Heikkinen, Supervisor
Chris Newman, Supervisor	Julie Urbatch, Clerk

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

OPEN FORUM - None

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA Motion by Supervisor Ness to approve the agenda, seconded by Supervisor Forsman. Discussion: add Mining Moratorium to Old Business and add County Board Meeting update to Miscellaneous. Motion amended by Supervisor Ness amended his motion to accept the amendments to the Agenda, Seconded by Supervisor Forsman. Carried 5-0.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Regular Meeting Minutes 5/03/2022

List of Claims (Disbursements). With the change of Check #17523 to being a loader instead of a grader, Supervisor Heikkinen made a motion approve with the Regular Meeting Minutes and List of Claims (Disbursements), Seconded by Supervisor Forsman. Motion carried 5-0.

AUDIT OF CLAIMS

Checked the disbursement for this month:

Check #	17479	B & F Fastner Supplies	\$ 688.83
	17503	Land O Lakes Oil	\$1,416.00
	17514	C&S Welding	\$ 510.00

Motion by Supervisor Heikkinen to approve audit of claims, second by Supervisor Ness. Motion carried 5-0

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CLERK/TREASURER’S REPORT

Upcoming Elections: Primary is 8/09/22 and General is 11/08/22. Use town hall for the Primary and use the town hall and shop for the general election. No rental of hall on 8/06/2022 - 8/07/2022 and 11/04/2022 - 11/05/2022, as we will set up for elections on 8/05/2022 and 11/04/2022. Church will be notified.

Wright County Economic Development Authority (EDA): reminder that it is 6/08/2022 from 6pm to 8pm.

Supervisor Pay: Discussion about extra pay for the Supervisors outside of regular meetings. It is listed in 12/2021 Organizational Meeting minutes. Special Meeting = \$50 and All day training = \$100. Motion was approved previously to pay Supervisor Heikkinen \$50 for attending each CMRP meeting. Supervisors indicate on their timesheet what they attended and pay.

<u>Balance as of April 30, 2022</u>		<u>Current Month to Date</u>	
ARPA Fund :	\$ 135,728.54	Revenue	\$ 9,494.60
General Fund :	57,408.05	Deposit/R&B	1,121.08
Road & Bridge	<u>343,776.90</u>	Disbursements	69,165.87
Total R&B/GF	536,913.49		
Fire Fund Total	\$ 55,633.31		
Contingency Fund	9,620.61		
Checks Out	5,154.82		
Checking	24,574.87		

Motion made by Supervisor Ness to approve the Treasurer’s report; Seconded by Supervisor Newman. Carried 5-0

MAINTENANCE REPORT

Replace Doors: Discussion on the estimate from Russell Security Resources. Table this until we can get another estimate. Put on next meeting’s agenda.

In-slope Filling: 130th Street, Gowan Ave, Elder Ave, Duffield Ave. Supervisor Heikkinen made a motion to our maintenance staff to work on 130th, Gowan, Elder and Duffield in-slopes. Seconded by Supervisor Forsman. Supervisor Heikkinen amended his motion to include a dollar amount of \$3,000. Seconded by Supervisor Forsman. Carried 5-0.

Playground – Inspection was done on the playground. Slides were ordered, pea rock is needed in play area; rock climbing part will be ordered. Supervisor Ludenia made a motion for maintenance to purchase a push mower. Seconded by Supervisor Ness. Motion amended by Chair Ludenia for maintenance to spend up to \$300 for a push mower. Seconded by Supervisor Ness. Carried 5-0

Bathroom Dividers: Remove the dividers in the bathrooms.

Tile Hole: on 150th, east of Elder Ave. Chair Ludenia will take a look at it.

Pot Hole Patching: Annandale Rock was supposed to start this week.

Culverts: Maintenance will get a quote for a sleeve for CR 39 & Endicott Ave. Culvert on CR 111 and 119th St – it needs to be extended. CR 123 & Emerson Ave – Chris Klein will check with County if they will cut it out and replace culvert. Discussion as to replace/repair culvert on Bice Ave – maintenance will get pricing on it. Suggestion was made to send the Supervisors a copy of the maintenance report prior to the meeting.

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OLD BUSINESS

Fire Department Report: Sandy attended the Fire Department meeting in Monticello. Our township is currently paying parcels that have building on it. Now the fire department wants to have a fire fee on all parcels. Currently we have approximately 631 parcels with building on it and they want to change that to 1,000 parcels. We will be getting our new fire contract and they want to know if we want to go with a 3-year or 5-year contract. The Board will view the contract when we receive it. Maple Lake Fire Department charges only for parcels that have buildings on it.

Assisting other Departments: Email from Steven Fenske which alludes that we may be covered or not covered if we use our equipment to assist the fire department in an emergency situation. Decision was not to get involved in assisting because it may not be covered by our insurance.

Clean-up Day Update: About 160 vehicles came through and we took in \$4369.00. Huge thank you to our maintenance staff, the use of Chris Klein's skid steer, Pete Schmitz and all the volunteers.

Letters to Commissioner Vetsch: Supervisor Heikkinen received a phone call from Commissioner Vetsch regarding the letter dated 4/19/2022 about our request to be reimbursed for pit reclamation last year and what we budgeted for this year. Commissioner Vetsch said, per the attorney, "if it was already paid for or budgeted, we can't receive reimbursement."

Re-schedule Mining Moratorium/Board Mtg: Re-scheduled for Monday, May 23rd at 7:30 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Employee Reviews: Bill Eccless and Julie Urbatch are up for their 3-month reviews. Closed meeting on Monday, May 23 for Bill's review and Julie's review.

Severe Weather Response: Discussion to keep in mind the public's safety into account when we are holding a public meeting and the weather is threatening. We will put notice on the website immediately and put a sign on the door if meeting is cancelled.

Street Study: Everyone on board has a copy of the report from Hakanson Anderson on the Street Study of our roads. Put on agenda for June 21st meeting so we can start budgeting for next year.

MISCELLANEOUS

County Board Meeting: Supervisor Heikkinen went to the County Board Meeting this morning. Midco was awarded the County Broadband Grant. County Board is considering a county-side Mining Moratorium and they will have a public meeting on May 31st.

Letter to Commissioner Vetsch, dated TBD: Discussion about not sending the letter until we meet with the Mining Moratorium Committee and have bullet items for the County to view vs. a general statement of 'please look at the ordinance'. Have this letter on the agenda for Monday's meeting so we can give the approval and the Clerk can send out on Tuesday.

ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Forsman made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Supervisor Newman. Motion carried 5-0. Time: 8:28 p.m.

Approved

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Respectfully Submitted,

Silver Creek Township Clerk
Julie Urbatch
May 17, 2022 Minutes
Approved 06-07-2022
