

Supervisor Board Meeting Minutes
November 20, 2018

Silver Creek Township

On Tuesday November 20, 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 2 people in the audience at the start of the meeting. Roll call was taken by the Chairman.

Board Members Present

Mike Ludenia, Chairman	Barry Heikkinen, Supervisor
Dan Ness Supervisor	Mary Edwards, Treasurer
Chris Klein, Supervisor	Nancy Betzler, Clerk
Sandy Forsman, Supervisor	Board Members absent - None

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

OPEN FORUM: Resident Tom Vanek said that it good to have Commissioner Vetsch at the last meeting to discuss the county issues.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Added to old business 150th St update. Motion to approve the agenda by Supervisor Forsman, second by Supervisor Heikkinen. All in favor.

Approval of the Consent Agenda:

Regular Meeting Minutes: Continued to next meeting.

List of Claims (List of Disbursements presented to Board at Meeting) – Included check numbers 15328-15410 in the total amount of \$159,329.96. Motion by Supervisor Ness to accept the list of claims as presented. Second by Supervisor Forsman. All present in favor. Motion Passed.

Affidavit of Official Interest in Claim – Sandy Forsman and Chris Klein. Motion by Supervisor Ness to accept. Second by Supervisor Heikkinen. 3 yes votes. 2 abstained Supervisor Klein and Sandy Forsman, interested parties.

Audit of Claims: 15381 Hogle Sign	\$	35.00
15385 Liman Post		51,322.77
15394 M-R Signs		367.50

Motion by Supervisor Klein to approve. Second by Supervisor Heikkinen. All present in favor. Motion Passed.

Clerks Report We need to change the Jan.1, 2019 meeting. Motion by Supervisor Klein to change to January 3, 2019. Second by Supervisor Ness. Motion passed all present in favor. We were randomly chosen for a hand count election review at Buffalo yesterday. We counted 4 races. There were 1322 ballots to separate and count for each race. Motion by Supervisor Heikkinen to approve. Second by Supervisor Forsman. All present in favor, motion passed.

MAINTENANCE REPORT

Brian was not present to give report. Grading is done. They set the trucks and grader up for snow plowing. From the task list, driveways are half done, Bishop Ave fence done, 119th shoulder done, Baker Ave tar, done but will need more work, shed outside dirt completed, brush cutting, going to work on the worst first. Had to purchase 2 new loader tires, will be put on Friday or Monday. Motion to approve maintenance report by Supervisor Forsman. Second by Supervisor Ness. Motion Passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Mary Edwards presented the following Treasurer's Report:

Balance as of October 31, 2018

Revenue Account:	\$ 201,981.71
Road & Bridge Acct:	<u>\$ 86,876.05</u>
Total Available	\$ 288,857.76
Fire Account:	\$ 60,768.61
Contingency Fund:	\$ 9,108.33
Checks out	\$ 1,207.92
Checking	\$ 25,694.46

Current Month to Date

To Deposit/Revenue	\$ 2,070.90
To Deposit/ R&B	\$ 750.00
Disbursements	\$ 159,329.96

Treasurer signed a new agreement for custody of pledged securities with the bank this week. Motion to approve Treasurers report by Supervisor Heikkinen. Second by Supervisor Forman. All present in favor. Motion Passed.

Old Business

Compensation Schedule: Discussed changes to be made to compensation schedule. Will continue to December 18 meeting to gather wage and benefit information from other townships.

Snow plowing resolution: Motion by Supervisor Ness to accept the current printed snow plowing resolution. Second by Supervisor Klein. All present in favor, motion passed.

Electric for storage shed: received a quote to get 100 amp service of \$2224.38, not including trenching.

150th St Update: Met with MNDOT about the grant for \$750,000 that was received for Clearwater and Silver Creek Twps. to be used on 150th St NW. The cost for asphalt could bring the road to \$800,000 so each Township will have to pay approximately \$25,000 to complete the project. We will have some extra cost because everything must be done by state specs. There is some work that we could do to save some cost on the bids, such as moving mailboxes, signs, putting back up fencing and shouldering. Will send letters to 150th letting them know about the project. Resident Jay Switzer spoke about all of the work Supervisor Klein and Clearwater Supervisor Langenbacher did for the townships to be able to receive this grant. Discussed what jobs the maintenance department can do to save money on this project. Motion by Supervisor Ness that we keep whatever we can for the 150th St project in house, whatever is allowed, do what we are able to in this process. Second by Supervisor Heikkinen. All present in favor. Motion passed.

New Business:

Maple Lake Fire Fee Resolution:

Motion by Supervisor Ness to adopt the resolution 2018-11-20. WHEREAS, The Maple Lake Fire Department service fees have increased, the Township Board of Silver Creek has voted to increase the Maple Lake Fire Fee assessment to \$65.00 for property owners in the Maple Lake Fire Department service area. Second by Supervisor Forsman. All present in favor, motion passed.

Misc.: Supervisor Klein reported on the Mat Duluth end of year conference that he attended. Mat reported on a few times coming up in the future. Cellular phone service will be changing to small cell wireless, which will be smaller poles placed in the right of ways and that more solar farms will be coming.

At the last MAT regional meeting the director recognized Silver Creek Twp for being innovative and progressive and said they would like to have the regional meeting here in the next year or so.

State of MN has a full time person that will look at other agencies excess items that can be used for township use. Will be sending in paperwork so we can have them looking for needed equipment, etc.

Date of organizational meeting will be at regular meeting on Dec 18 starting at 6:30.

Adjournment: Motion by Supervisor Ness to adjourn. Second by Supervisor Forsman. All present in favor. The meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted
Silver Creek Township Clerk
Nancy Betzler

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Approved by Board of Supervisors
12/04/2018

