

HAWLEY TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES

Location: 405 6th St Hawley

Date: March 7, 2024

Chairman Rick Weaver opened the meeting at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Chairman Rick Weaver, Vice Chairman Everett Nelson, Supervisor Daren Tangen, Treasurer Linda Ekre, and Clerk Denise Graunke.

Approval/Additions to the Agenda: Nelson moved to approve with addition of the overweight permits for the spring, adding an account at Bell Bank, and the L&M Contract renewal, Tangen second, motion carried.

Public Comment: None.

Clerk's Report: Nelson moved to approve, Tangen second, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Tangen moved to approve, Nelson second, motion carried.

Building Permits: None.

Presentation of Bills:

1. Hawley Old Timers, Rent 2 days, plus monthly storage, \$145, Check 2852
2. Hawley Herald, meeting change for January meeting, \$36, Check 2853
3. Victor Lundeen, Treasurer papers, \$11.21, Check 2854
4. CCATO, Annual Dues, \$150, Check 2855

Nelson moved to approve the payment of bills, Tangen second, motion carried.

Correspondence:

1. Advertisement for EZ Street Asphalt
2. CCATO letter included dues statement, Nelson moved to approve paying the bill for the dues, Tangen second, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

General Business:

1. Election judges: Dave Tangen will be judge and moderator, Nelson and Ekre will also serve as judges.

Road and Bridges:

1. Larson Hearing Update: county engineer to work with Jade by June 1st
2. Weaver sent gravel map to county. Nelson made a motion that the township will reserve the right to blade and gravel the township roads even after dust control is applied if deemed necessary, Tangen second, motion carried.
3. Tangen moved that we send the overweight permit letters as we have in the past to Alderon, Petermann Farms, and Buffalo River Excavating, Nelson second, motion carried.

Fire and Hert: Nelson provided meeting minutes and proposed budgets for fire and hert.

Landfill: Manager resigned. Previous well testing had found PFAS in the Northwest corner. Nelson made a motion that the township should pay for additional PFAS testing, costing \$850 each, for the Jerome Ekre well and for the Weaver stock pond, Tangen seconded, Weaver abstained from this vote, motion carried.

Weed and Gopher: None

Other old business: None

NEW BUSINESS

General Business:

1. Levy recommendations:
 - a. Nelson moved to recommend an increase to the general levy to \$21,000, Tangen second, motion carried.
 - b. Tangen moved to recommend keeping the road and bridges levy the same, at \$60,000, Nelson second, motion carried.
 - c. Nelson moved to recommend keeping the Fire /HERT levy the same, at \$25,000, Tangen second, motion carried.
 - d. Nelson moved to recommend keeping the weed/gopher levy the same, at \$5,000, Tangen second, motion carried.

Road and Bridges:

1. L&M contract renewal: Nelson moved to agree to L&M to do the right of way mowing, adding east half of 12th Ave S and 17th Ave S on to mowing and billing that portion for Bison Ridge Subdivision back to Raymond Reading, Tangen second, motion carried.

Fire and HERT: None.

Landfill: None.

Weed & Gopher: None.

Other New Business:

1. Nelson moved that Hawley Township, as a government entity, establish a savings account at Bell Bank, Tangen second, motion carried.

Adjournment: at 8:15pm Nelson moved to adjourn, Tangen second, motion carried.

Rick Weaver, Chairman

Everett Nelson, Vice-Chairman

Denise Graunke, Clerk
