**HAWLEY TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES**

Location: 405 6th Street Hawley

Date: February 1, 2022

**Chairman Everett Nelson opened the meeting at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**Present:** Chairman Everett Nelson, Supervisor Rick Weaver, Supervisor Daren Tangen, Treasurer Linda Ekre, Clerk Barb Gilson, Chris Guida, Chad Murray, Gary Johnson, Harley Dauner and Randy Ellefson.

**Approval/Additions to the Agenda:** Added Clay County Land Use Ordinance. **Tangen moved to approve the agenda, Weaver second, motion carried.**

**Public Comment:** None

**Clerk’s Report: Weaver moved to approve, Tangen second, motion carried.**

**Treasurer’s Report: Weaver moved to accept, Tangen second, motion carried.**

**Building Permits:** None

**Presentation of Bills:**

1. **United States Treasury Federal Taxes $345.68 Check # 2668**
2. **Hawley Old Timers Rent/Storage $100.00 Check # 2669**
3. **City of Hawley Fire District & HERT $6723.48 Check # 2670**
4. **CJB Law Attorney Fees $5349.84 Check # 2671**
5. **Clay County Assoc. of Townships Annual Dues $677.12 Check # 2672**
6. **Hawley Accounting W2 Forms & Tax Preparation $195.00 Check # 2673**
7. **The Hawley Herald 2 Election Notices $100.00 Check # 2674**
8. **Barb Gilson GoDaddy Domain Renewal $18.99 Check # 2675**

**Tangen moved to approve payment, Weaver second, motion carried.**

**Correspondence:**

1. Training Notice from MATIT.
2. Letter from ISO regarding Building Code Effectiveness Grading Schedule for the Hawley Township, Clay County.
3. Letter from Town Web Design in Madison, Wisconsin.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**General Business:**

1. The town’s attorney planned to have the updates ready for the Hawley Township Land Use Ordinance this month.
2. Clay County has posted the final draft of the updated Land Use Ordinance to their website. It is available for public review in the Planning and Zoning Department.

**Road and Bridges:**

1. Dauner had contacted the Clay County Road Maintenance Department. He was unhappy with the plow operator “winging” snow out in the ditch along his and his neighbor’s property. Mr. Overbo, from the Highway Department, contacted Weaver when he was inspecting the site. Nelson requested giving Overbo a chance to respond and if the problem continued recommended Dauner calling Nelson or Weaver to meet with Overbo. If necessary, the town would call a Special Meeting with Dauner, neighbors, Mr. Overbo, and the town board.
2. Next the board discussed the 12th Ave South Minimum Maintenance Road. Guida had raised concerns at the January Meeting that the minimum maintenance portion of 12th Ave South was illegal, and that the town had over- stepped their authority by closing a portion to travel because of no snow maintenance. Upon review, the board clarified that the road was legal and within their power to close but they should have passed a Resolution to do so. Legally, the road must be open eight months of the year. **The board completed Resolution #2122 stating a portion of the road would be closed effective February 1, 2022, thru April 1, 2022, and the road affected would start at the east of Murray’s driveway to the east end of the minimum maintenance road. Weaver moved to approve Resolution #2122, Tangen second, motion passed unanimously.**
3. The Hawley Township vs Larson Goes Global LLC court case regarding the Larson turnaround is moving forward. A remote hearing will be held February 3, 2022, at 3:00 PM regarding the Motion Hearing Date.
4. Ellefson discussed road shoulder issues at the 7th Ave cul-de-sac. Nelson said the supervisors would inspect the area during the Spring Road Tour and determine what needed to be done.

**Fire and HERT:** Nelson discussed the January Fire District and HERT Meeting. He mentioned HERT had responded to 304 district calls – 28 of those in the Hawley Township. He also presented the Fire District Expenditure Budget . The town’s share is $18,300.00.

**Landfill:** The focus of the January Solid Waste Meeting was the Moorhead Transfer Station.

**Weed and Gopher:** Nothing to report.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**General Business:** Barb Gilson, Linda Ekre and Rick Weaver volunteered to be Election Judges for the March 8, 2022, election. **Tangen moved to approve the judges, Weaver second, motion carried.**

**Road and Bridges:** Johnson said he had people interested in buying acreage on 200th Street South next to Bev Henning’s home. The board believed Henning’s property was the single residence allowed per forty-acre parcel, and if that were the case, building a house there would have to be approved by the Hawley Township Planning Commission and Clay County as a single subdivision.

**There was no other New Business.**

**Adjournment: Weaver moved to adjourn at 8:09 PM, Tangen second, motion carried.**

**Everett Nelson, Chairman \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Daren Tangen, Vice-Chairman \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Barb Gilson, Clerk \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**