**HAWLEY TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES**

Location: 405 6th St Hawley

Date: October 5, 2021

**Chairman Everett Nelson opened the meeting at 7:02 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**Present:** Chairman Everett Nelson, Supervisor Rick Weaver, Supervisor Daren Tangen, Treasurer Linda Ekre, Clerk Barb Gilson, Mark Sellin, Tyler Schenck, Chad Murray, Chris Guida and Karen Hanson.

**Approval/Additions to the Agenda: Weaver moved to approve the agenda, Nelson second, motion carried.**

**Public Comment:** Murray was upset that his property along the minimum maintenance portion of 12th Ave South had been mowed again. He was also unhappy that the road blading went wider than it should have. The board said they would investigate before the road was graded a second time.

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

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

**Building Permits:** One had been issued.

**Presentation of Bills:**

1. **LM Road Service Fall Mowing $1952.00 Check # 2639**
2. **Hawley Old Timers Rent/Storage $100.00 Check # 2640**
3. **CJB Law Attorney Fees $363.00 Check # 2641**
4. **Barb Gilson Microsoft Office Renewal $75.15 Check # 2642**
5. **Rick Weaver 3rd Qtr. Wages/ Expenses $244.99 Check # 2643**
6. **Everett Nelson 3rd Qtr. Wages/Expenses $280.65 Check # 2644**
7. **Barb Gilson 3rd Qtr. Wages $221.74 Check # 2645**
8. **Linda Ekre 3rd Qtr. Wages $221.74 Check # 2646**
9. **Daren Tangen 3rd Qtr. Wages $221.74 CHECK # 2647**

**Tangen moved to pay the bills, Weaver second, motion carried.**

**Correspondence:**

1. Road Mileage Certification from Clay County Highway Department.
2. Certificate of Liability Insurance from Westlund Excavating.
3. Minnesota LTAP Newsletter.
4. Clay County Zoning Certificates for Mark and Kevin Kassin, Lucas and Bobbi Bentley, Nathan and Kacie Efta and Dustin Hackey.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**General Business:** The four proposed amendments to the Township Land Development Ordinance were reviewed. **Weaver moved to send the proposal to the attorney so it could be presented to the Planning Commission, Tangen second, motion carried.**

**Road and Bridges:**

1. Sellin Brothers, Inc presented an information letter and their winter snow removal rates. Mark Sellin said they used to do snow removal for the City of Hawley, so they had adequate equipment. He stated they had no problem with the map provided from the board and said they would “go out when called out”. Guida said she thought it was the county’s responsibility to maintain the subdivision roads and was against the township board hiring someone else. She said the County rates were cheaper and that the supervisors should not cave into pressure from the County Board. Nelson said the County Board could make the decision without a public hearing and he wanted the township prepared if changes had to made next year. Weaver pointed out that getting the subdivisions cleaned out in a timely matter was also an issue.
2. Road work in the Bison Ridge 2nd Addition was next. Progress, gravel and drainage were discussed.
3. The Supervisors decided to schedule the Fall Road Inspection in November.
4. The board discussed gravel and blading on the Minimum Maintenance Road. A public meeting was scheduled for Saturday, October 16 at 10:00am at 19356 12th Ave South to look at the road before any further maintenance.
5. Mark Larson had not responded to the board or the attorney regarding blocking the road . The supervisors decided to include the Larson turn around in the meeting.

**Fire and Hert:** The new firehall was finished.

**Landfill:** The landfill has published the new rates for 2022.

**Weed and Gopher:** LM Road Service has completed the fall ditch mowing.

**Other Old Business:** Gilson had checked with the Clay County Auditor regarding population and mail-in-voting. In 2020 the law was changed that any township (except in metro areas and cities), regardless of size, can institute voting by mail. It was suggested that mail voting information should be included with the Dust Control Letter.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**General Business:** Clay County Planning and Zoning has a position open on the Board of Adjustment. The town has applications if anyone is interested.

**Road and Bridges:** The board was notified by the sheriff that there was garbage in the ditch of 40th Ave South and 220th St South. Someone dumped raw meat in the ditch. No one was excited about having to clean it up!

**There was no other new business.**

**Adjournment: Weaver moved to adjourn at 8:10 pm, Tangen second, motion carried.**

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

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

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