

HAWLEY TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES

Location: 405 6th St Hawley

Date: February 4,2020

Chairman Dennis Olsen opened the meeting at 7:05 with the Pledge of Allegiance .

Present: Chairman Dennis Olsen, Supervisor Rick Weaver, Supervisor Everett Nelson, Treasurer Linda Ekre, Clerk Barb Gilson, Chad and Claudia Murray, Bill and Bev Henning.

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

Treasurer’s Report: Weaver moved to approve, Nelson second, motion carried.

Public Comment: Gilson asked the board to send a letter to Clay County Commissioners Gross and Campbell and Representative Marquart regarding the slow internet service in the Boutan Addition and surrounding area. All are on the state task force regarding improved internet access in outlying areas. Also, Olsen said he had been notified of a complaint from the Hawley School Bus driver that 200th St South and roads in the Boutan Addition were icy.

Building Permits: None

Presentation of Bills :

1. United States Treasury	Township Taxes	\$286.66	Check # 2457
2. Void			Check # 2458
3. Hawley Old Timers	Rent/ Storage	\$100.00	Check # 2459
4. Hawley Accounting	Tax Preparation	\$175.00	Check # 2460
5. Victor Lundeen Co	Forms	\$24.94	Check # 2461
6. City of Hawley	Fire Dept.	\$5550.00	Check # 2462
7. Hawley Herald	2 Notices	\$140.00	Check # 2463
8. Barb Gilson	Office Max- Ballots	\$8.21	Check # 2464
9. Half Past Five	Computer Work	\$65.00	Check # 2465

Nelson moved to approve payment, Weaver second, motion carried.

Correspondence:

1. Minnesota LTAP notice.
2. Certificate of Insurance for Turner Sand and Gravel.
3. Information from the Historical & Cultural Society of Clay County.
4. Township map from the U.S. Census Bureau.

Guest speaker, Matthew Jacobson was unable to attend.

OLD BUSINESS

General Business

Road and Bridges:

1. Nelson provided Reading with the letter regarding completion of the 12th Ave South and 200th St South intersection. Reading was injured in an accident, so nothing has been settled yet.
2. Weaver had mailed the Township GIS Map and had not received any word back.
3. Nelson suggested that now would be a good time to contract gravel for the west end of 12th Ave South to prevent delays like last year. Weaver said he would see if the county would do it at the upcoming Highway Dept. Meeting on February 20th.
4. The snowmobile trail on 12th Ave South was also discussed.

Fire and HERT: Nelson attended another meeting with Eglon Township and the Annual Fire District Meeting held January 15, 2020. A new Firehall Contract was presented and discussed. The cost to acquire, purchase, and construct the new firehall shall not exceed \$1.2 million dollars with the cost of the building itself not to exceed \$850000. A building committee would also be formed with a representative from each Member. Each representative would have an equal vote and a simple majority would be needed for approval for all items within the contractual budget. However, anything that exceeds the contractual limits requires unanimous approval of the committee.

Weaver moved to approve the New Firehall Construction Agreement, Nelson second, motion passed unanimously.

Nelson stated that when all the details were worked out, a public meeting would be held to vote on Hawley Township's agreement to finance the project.

Landfill: Traffic control on County 23 (landfill road) is a concern once landfill expansion begins. Odor control was also discussed.

Weed and Gopher:

1. Dust control reimbursement was reviewed. **Weaver moved to approve a 50% reimbursement for 2020, Nelson second, motion passed unanimously.** It was agreed that everyone in the township should receive notification.
2. Gopher bounty rate would be reviewed at the March Annual Meeting.

Other Old Business: None

NEW BUSINESS

General Business: The board appointed Rick Weaver, Dennis Olsen and Bev Henning as election judges for the upcoming election March 10,2020. Bill Henning volunteered to be the Annual Meeting Moderator.

Also, because of a conflict with the March Presidential Nomination Primary on March 3, 2020, the town’s monthly meeting will be held **Thursday March 5, 2020 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall.**

Then the supervisors reviewed the township map received from the U.S Census. The board approved the map.

There was no other new business.

Adjournment: Nelson moved to adjourn at 8:05 PM, Weaver second, motion carried.

Dennis Olsen, Chairman

Rick Weaver, Vice Chairman

Barb Gilson, Clerk
