

MAY TOWNSHIP MINUTES
5834 112th Street
Pillager, MN 56473
March 8 2021

Elected Members Present: Supervisors - Mark Breneman, Chad Converse, and Jason Barg
Clerk – Bianca Wyffels
Treasurer – Beth Ausland, absent
Employees Present: Dave Hildahl, Bill Wyffels
Employees Absent: None
Others Present: Alice and Paul Delane, Chad Hohneke, Bryan Tollefson

Note: All residents and elected officials were posted 6 feet apart as per the Governor’s Stay-at-Home orders.

CALL TO ORDER: J Barg called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVE AGENDA: A motion by C Converse, seconded by M Breneman to approve the agenda with the addition of gravel sources, carried unanimously.

CLERKS REPORT: A motion by C Converse, seconded by M Breneman to approve the February 8 2021 Minutes as presented, carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY TREASURER: Bianca Wyffels asked if the board would consider appointing Bridgette Brown as deputy treasurer for May Township. A motion by M Breneman, seconded by C Converse to appoint Bridgette Brown as Deputy Treasurer, carried unanimously.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Treasurer’s report – Beth Ausland was not present Bianca Wyffels presented the treasurer’s report. A motion by M Breneman, seconded by C Converse to approve the **March 2021** treasurers report as presented subject to audit, carried unanimously.

\$ 148848.46	January 2021 beginning balance checking, savings, grader savings (all accounts)
\$ 22025.40	February 2021 Receipts
\$ - 18941.08	February 2021 Disbursements
<u>\$ 151932.78</u>	February 2021 ending balance all general fund accounts
\$ 35801.79	Checking balance
\$ 80119.80	General savings balance
\$ 36011.19	Grader savings balance
\$105229.09	February 28 2021 balance maintenance shop/building fund.

PAY BILLS: The clerk presented payroll and disbursement claims. The board reviewed. A motion by C Converse, seconded by J Barg to approve PR Liabilities, wire transfers, check/claims/payroll 10182-10193, carried unanimously.

MID MINNESOTA CREDIT UNION: B Wyffels stated she has researched credit card companies and feels a township credit card with Mid Minnesota Federal Credit Union is the best one. The board reviewed the purpose of a credit card. Because at this time most or all township trainings are on line and have a cost, employees and elected officials need to be able to charge the trainings to the township. A motion by C Converse, seconded by M Breneman to approve opening a savings account \$5.00 at Mid Minnesota Federal Credit Union and opening a credit card with them for the township, carried unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS:

Charlie Swenson – Sale of Quonset building.

Chad Hohneke, Alice and Paul Delane – were present to discuss the road maintenance expectations on 71st Street SW (Bob Cole’s old residence). Questions asked were: does road have to be 66 feet wide, what does the abstract say (legal description), brush not removed, etc. Grader turn-around was discussed, no action taken.

David Schroeder – was not present because of a family emergency but asked the clerk to state he is interested in township work and will send in a list of equipment available and per hour prices.

Bryan Tollefson – was present to help the Clerk with the Zoom meeting.

OTHER REPORTS:

Motley Fire Department – C Converse presented the 2022 Motley Fire Department Contract. He stated Motley Fire Department charges \$300 for the first hour and \$200 per hour after first hour to May Township residents for fire calls. He asked the board to consider reimbursing the fire department their costs per fire call. He stated he feels there should be no extra costs to residents for the Motley Fire Department calls as we pay more for the Pillager Contract and they do not have extra costs. Discussion followed. A motion by J Barg, seconded by C Converse to approve the Motley Fire Department Contract as presented, motion carried unanimously.

Pillager Fire Department – One run in May Township.

Pillager Park Board – No meeting until April park clean up.

ROAD MAINTENANCE - Chipping Machine – Some brushing was done. Waiting until snow level goes down to rent the chipping machine.

Spring Road Review – lots of road work needs to be done. Will set spring road review date at the April 2021 meeting.

Resignation – Bill Wyffels handed his keys to the township board stating he will no longer be able to work for the township.

Cleaning – B Wyffels stated Sherri Holmes is not able to clean the township hall. Discussion followed. A motion by C Converse, seconded by M Breneman to approve hiring Jen Barg to clean the township hall once a month, using her own cleaning supplies, at a rate of \$25 per hour, carried with Jason Barg abstaining.

April 5 2021 Assessment Meeting – B Wyffels reminded the board the 2021 Assessment meeting will be held at the township hall at 12:00 noon on April 5 2021.

Annual Meeting Booklet – B Wyffels presented the 2020 Annual meeting booklet. Discussion followed. No action needed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Noxious Weed Control - A discussion was held on the noxious weeds in May Township. Board discussed setting some money aside to spray noxious weeds in our township. No action taken.

Sale of Quonset Building – Per February board meeting minutes B Wyffels placed the following add in the Staples World on February 17 2021: “May Township (Cass County) old shop building is for sale. Removal includes: building, 300 gallon fuel tank and stand. If interested contact Mark Breneman, 218-232-4944 for more information and project quote form.”

No purchase requests were received.

C Converse and M Breneman presented the following proposals for **demolition and removal**:

1. **\$4200.00 Hengel Construction** –
Complete demolition of 30 x 48 empty Quonset building, leave concrete \$3500.00. Add \$700.00 to remove concrete during demolition or add \$2000.00 to remove concrete at a later date.
2. **\$4300 Swenson Aggrigate & Construction** –
Demolition of building - \$2300, removal and disposal of old concrete \$2000
3. **\$4375.00 PHB Excavating** -
Removal of existing tin shed 30 x 50, hauled to Hengel Construction, \$2850.00, remove concrete slab, chimney and foundation wall \$1525.00, remove 300 gallon fuel tank and stand.
4. **\$5000.00 Kosec Construction** -
Demo and haul off 48 x 30 Quonset building, remove concrete slab and haul off for recycle, haul in 24 yards Class 5 to replace slab (value approximately \$720)

A motion by C Converse, seconded by M Breneman to hire Swenson Aggrigate & Construction to demolish Quonset building, and remove concrete. C Swenson stated he will not be demolishing the building but moving it to a May Township resident’s home. Discussion followed. Motion carried with J Barg abstaining.

GRAVEL SOURCES: C Converse stated the following gravel sources are available to May Township:

1. Ideal Construction
2. Anderson Brothers

ADJOURNMENT: A motion by C Converse, seconded by J Barg to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 p.m. carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jason Barg
Jason Barg, Chairman

Bianca Wyffels
Bianca Wyffels, Clerk