

May Township Minutes
5834 112th Street
Pillager, MN 56473
August 14, 2023

Elected Members Present: Supervisors - Chad Converse, Jason Barg, Mark Breneman
Elected Members Absent: None
Treasurer – Beth Ausland
Clerk – Bianca Wyffels
Employees Present: Dave Johnson (road maintenance), Glenn Moon (road maintenance)
Employees Absent: None
Others Present: Allen Marshall, Alice and Paul DeLane, Chad Hohneicke

INVOICE REVIEW PRIOR TO MEETING – The board members are encouraged to come to the township hall 15 minutes prior to the regular meeting to review invoices. The deputy clerk and treasure were present for questions.

CALL TO ORDER: J Barg called the meeting to order at 7:04 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 4 corner training, 65th, carried unanimously.

MEETING MINUTES: A motion by C Converse seconded by M Breneman to approve July 17 and 24 2023 meeting minutes as amended, carried unanimously.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Treasurer’s report– A motion by C Converse, seconded by J Barg to approve the August 2023 treasurers report (July 2023 data) as presented subject to audit, carried unanimously.

\$ 34638.22	General	Checking balance
\$ 167942.07	General Saving	balance
\$ 42141.60	Grader Saving	balance
\$ 42530.96	ARPA	Funding
<u>\$ 287252.85</u>	Total Funds	

PAY BILLS: The deputy clerk and treasurer presented payroll and disbursement claims. The board reviewed. A motion by J Barg, seconded by M Breneman to approve PR Liabilities, wire transfers, check/claims/payroll, unanimously.

FIRE FILE: B Wyffels and E Ausland stated they have checked on pricing for a fire file. The fire file will be to keep all permanent records in, i.e., Minutes, financial reports, etc. The cost of the fire file is \$5000 from the Office Shop in Brainerd, delivered. Discussion followed. The board agreed to wait to make this purchase.

OTHER REPORTS:

PARK BOARD: One park host has been released from his duties. He is allowed to keep his camper at the park for the remainder of the summer. New playground equipment is needed. Funding will be ascertained.

PILLAGER FIRE DEPARTMENT: One run in May Township, East Gull Lake wants a fire hall, there is a new bridge going in on the Gull Lake Dam Road.

MOTLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT: No runs in May Township.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS:

Allen Marshall – no concerns, looking for an update on 124th.

Alice and Paul DeLane – they live on 71st Avenue. They were very upset they had not been contacted before the road work started. Discussion followed their disappointment in the amount of ditching completed. They had planted trees which were now gone. The board stated they stand by the road work done and stated it was necessary to keep 71st Avenue open for grading and snowplowing.

Chad Hohneicke – he also lives on 71st and had questions regarding the recent road work. He would like class 5 on the road, the board stated it was coming soon.

ROAD MAINTENANCE:

124th Street – Anderson Brothers will start the project this month. No other update.

49th Avenue – Need to clean out culvert (18E/56N)

65th Avenue – Not brushing.

45th Avenue – A motion by J Barg, seconded by C Converse to haul gravel on 45th Avenue, carried unanimously. C Converse will find someone to haul the gravel on 45th (59S). Need to ditch, bring proposal to September 2023 meeting. Town line road maintenance agreement was updated and sent to Sylvan Township.

53rd Avenue – A motion by C Converse, seconded by J Barg to hire Cal Excavating to remove dead trees along 53rd Avenue (52N), carried unanimously.

108th/124th Streets – The board needs an update from Charlie Swenson as to when he is going to complete 108th Street and the 124th Street projects. Discussion followed. A motion by J Barg, seconded by M Breneman to request a timeline for the completion of 108th Street and 124th Street projects, if the project cannot be completed soon, the board will find a new contractor for the same bid \$'s, carried unanimously.

116th/45th (19E/60N) – A motion by J Barg, seconded by C Converse to approve the purchase and placement of erosion control fabric on 116th/45th (19E/60N), township employees will measure, purchase, pick up, and place the seed, carried unanimously.

Stop Signs – J Barg will purchase and replace two stop signs.

NEW BUSINESS:

DRIVERS LICENSE – M Breneman asked if all employees and supervisors that drive our equipment have given the township a copy of their driver's licenses. E Ausland will collect any drivers licenses we do not have.

RENTAL OF TOWNSHIP EQUIPMENT – M Breneman asked if or why we are renting out township equipment. Discussion followed on the need, the cost associated with renting equipment, etc. A motion by M Breneman, seconded by J Barg to not rent out township equipment, carried with C Converse abstaining.

DOOLEY'S PETROLEUM INC – M Breneman contracted with Dooley's Petroleum Inc for \$1.74 per gallon for propane for the 2023-2024 winter total \$2262.

MAT 4 CORNERS TRAINING – E Ausland asked to attend the MAT 4-Corner Training for Clerks and Treasurers. A motion by J Barg, seconded by M Breneman to pay for the registration fee to the MAT 4-Corner Training for Clerks and Treasurers, and to pay for the mileage and meals, carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion by C Converse, seconded by M Breneman to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m., carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jason Barg

Bianca Wyffels