

Township of Helena Board of Supervisors
Regular Monthly Meeting
New Prague Ambulance/Fire Hall • 7:30 PM • May 3, 2011
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Present:

Supervisor Duane Deutsch
Chairman Terry Maas
Supervisor Ed Nytes

Treasurer Pat Lambrecht
Road Overseer Darryl Perkins
Clerk DeAnn Croatt

Also Present: Jeff Klehr, Jesse Westall, TJ Deutsch, Paul Hanzel, Deputy Samas

Chair Maas **called the Regular Monthly Meeting to order**; pledge of allegiance was said.

On a motion by Deutsch/Nytes the reading of the Minutes was suspended and the **Minutes** were approved as presented; carried unanimously.

Treasurer Lambrecht distributed the **Treasurer's Report** and it was accepted on a motion by Deutsch/Nytes; carried unanimously.

Receipts were:

\$ 300.00	Gary Gabel Construction	Driveway Permit
\$ 100.00	Arnie Simon	CIA Culvert
\$ 112.88	State Bank	Optima Interest
\$ 0.46	State Bank	Interest
\$ 15.00	Scott County	Building Permits

The payment of the following **bills (4701 – 4707) were approved** on a motion by Deutsch/Nytes; carried unanimously:

4701	5/3/2011	\$ 314.00	Jetter Clean, Inc.	Wann/WCLD culvert
4702	5/3/2011	\$ 1,492.34	Scott County Treasurer	Salt
4703	5/3/2011	\$ 51.83	Bevcomm	SSD SMBE
4704	5/3/2011	\$ 656.32	EcoCheck	SSD SMBE
4705	5/3/2011	\$ 136.50	Suel Printing	Assessment Legal Notice
4706	5/3/2011	\$ 37.77	Southwest Newspapers	Annual Meeting Notice
4707	5/3/2011	\$ 4,089.40	Klehr Grading	Road Maintenance

Scott County Sheriff Deputy Samas summarized township activity for April; nothing out of the ordinary. There were 17 incidents in Helena.

Quotes were opened from TJ Deutsch and Anderson Bobcat, and awarded as follows:

- ✓ **TJ Deutsch** for ditch mowing for 2011 on a motion by Nytes/Deutsch; carried unanimously.

Jesse Westall was in attendance to ask for township support to either place two lots on the same PID or to be allowed to re-plat two lots so Westall can build a detached storage building for personal storage on a lot west of his present lot. After discussion, the Board of Supervisors supported Jesse's intention to purchase an adjacent lot for this purpose. Clerk directed to communicate this with Scott County's Marty Schmitz.

On a motion by Maas/Deutsch accepted the detail from Gene Erickson's April 20, 2011 communication to Greg Halling, and as reflected in MPCA's approval on June 7, 2005 that "**indicated each home include only one 2,000 gallon septic tank**" contingent upon the condition meets Engineer Halling specifications and MPCA rulings; carried unanimously. Clerk asked to relay information to Marty Schmitz and communicate follow up by Engineer Halling.

Although there is an **Embrace Open Space Legacy Act Funding Workshop** being held in Savage on Wednesday May 18th the board decided Helena Township will not be represented.

Clerk shared the State of Minnesota Emergency Executive Order 11-11 **Declaring a State of Emergency**, which included Scott County, by Governor Mark Dayton.

A **Certificate of Insurance** was received for Malecha Trucking and EnviroTech Services.

Deutsch will remove township property from **St. Benedict School** prior to demolition.

Clerk will request NATAT Agenda prior to May 12th.

Knife River price lists were shared with Perkins.

Road Overseer Perkins reported:

1. Road viewing provided a long list of projects due to harsh winter conditions; Perkins will provide a project list for Klehr Grading
2. Work considered for Tupy & Kubes Tree Service includes work within Raven Stream Plat Two, Columbus Avenue, 270th Street West, Xanadu Avenue and Camber Avenue. Perkins will follow up as needed on a motion by Deutsch/Nytes; carried unanimously.
3. Plan to apply remix to Alton/Pexa/270th however Pexa needs to be reshaped prior to remix; will consider delimiters on Pexa; ditches on Pexa are filled in and farmers are encroaching into the road right-of-way which weakens the road
4. Wann/WCLD tile work done
5. Zumbro at CR 8 – tile/frost boil/scrape ditch out
6. Camber ditches need cleaning
7. Potholes on 250th
8. Tree blocking culvert on 270th again
9. Collected junk/tires; stockpiling tires for Mosquito Control's free once/year pickup for rimless tires
10. "Yield" sign needed at 248th and St. Benedict for consistency
11. "No Outlet" signs needed on 229th, Marden and in SMBE for consistency
12. "Road Closed" signs need to remain on 270th as conditions are still poor; Perkins will anchor with sand bags as they are either being knocked over or blown over

Maas will contact Greg Halling regarding **SMBE road heaving between storm drains** throughout development.

Road Maintenance Report by Klehr:

1. It's going to take extra long for roads to firm up this spring
2. 270th Street West will need work because of the frost boil damage
3. Alton culvert appears to have failed and will need to be replaced and repairs made to the road when water level is low; will apply remix because of the high volume of traffic on this road
4. 255th Street West has damage from a frost boil
5. Roads will be gravels as soon as weight limits are lifted and roads are firm enough for trucks
6. 270th needs to be reshaped; pond on south – clean ditch to county ditch; bid from Retka to tile is approximately \$1,000
7. Klehr uses extensions to pull edges in; similar to disking

- 8. Xanadu needs to be re-crowned
- 9. Schedules grading every other week, dependent upon the weather

On a motion by Deutsch/Maas **Temporary Supervisor Ed Nytes was appointed Supervisor** to until November 2012 General Election; For: Deutsch, Maas; Abstained: Nytes; carried 2-0-1.

Clerk asked to identify list of concerns related to fire contracts for Clerk Lemke to address at **SCALE** meeting; Supervisors' issue of having no vote on purchases/financial decisions even though the fire levy is a substantial part of a township's budget is a concern; Supervisors would like to know their opinion is heard and considered as decisions are made by the fire departments.

Metropolitan Council's map was reviewed and will be returned by Clerk with no changes.

Xcel Energy Order Establishing Franchise Fee Filing Requirements was received by Clerk.

2011 Meeting Schedule | 7:30 PM at 505 5th Avenue NW, New Prague unless otherwise stated below:

5-5-11	Scott County Planning, St. Lawrence	9-5/8-11	NATAT, Washington DC
5-12-11	Board of Review Continued 7:00	10-4-11	Regular Monthly Meeting
6-7-11	Regular Monthly Meeting	11-1-11	Regular Monthly Meeting
7-5-11	Regular Monthly Meeting	11-17-19-11	MAT Conference
8-2-11	Regular Monthly Meeting	12-6-11	Regular Monthly Meeting
9-1-11	Regular Monthly Meeting		

On a motion by Deutsch/Nytes the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by
Clerk DeAnn Croatt

Chairman Terry Maas