

Township of Helena Board of Supervisors
Regular Monthly Meeting
New Prague Ambulance/Fire Hall • 7:30 PM • October 6, 2009
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Present:

Chairman Duane Deutsch
Supervisor Joseph Pexa Jr.
Supervisor Terry Maas

Treasurer Patricia Lambrecht
Road Overseer Darryl Perkins
Clerk DeAnn Croatt

Also Present:

Jeff Klehr
Matt Peterson
Representative David Bly

Kim Johnson
Tom Johnson
Jon Hopke & son

Chairman Deutsch **called the regular monthly meeting to order**; pledge of allegiance was said. On a motion by Maas/Pexa the reading of the Minutes was suspended and the **Minutes** were approved as presented; carried unanimously.

Kim Johnson from **Dustcoating Inc.** was present to introduce herself and extend appreciation for township business.

The **Scott County Sheriff Report** included usual activity within the township. Homecoming resulted in toilet papering complaints.

Notification was mailed to lot owners in the **Silver Maple Bay Estates Subordinate Service District**. JRON submitted payment in full for 2010; Fees will be certified for Peterson/Hopke/Duede lots. Resolution 100609 to Adopt a Property Ttax Schedule for the Silver Maple Bay Estates Environmental Subordinate Service District was approved; Clerk will file necessary information with Scott County NLT November 30, 2009. No change was made to monthly fees. Clerk will send homeowner's manual to Mr. Hopke electronically.

State Representative David Bly (Democrat) was present and emphasized bill/committee work on energy issues, renewable, education, carbon credit, public transportation, and responded to comments related to Met Council. Rep. Bly offered his assistance to, and partnership with, the township.

Tom Johnson presented a **bid for snow plowing** for the 2009-2010 season. On a motion by Pexa/Maas, the quote at \$120/hour for the grader with wing and v-plow/loader; \$93/hr for the truck with wing and plow/sander; \$4.20/ton for chips with no charge for re-loading; 1% fuel surcharge for every \$0.05 over \$4.00 was accepted; carried unanimously.

It was noted that the **Queen of Peace** agenda item was tabled by request of the committee.

Mark Themig with the **Scott County Park** system was present to update the board on a proposed land acquisition adjacent to the Cedar Lake Farm Regional Park. The property would be purchased with funds from Met County, from the sale of CLID hook-ups, and park dedication fund money from

Cedar Lake and Helena townships; the park dedication fund would be reimbursed. On a motion by Deutsch/Maas the issue was tabled to November when Themig will request a decision on support of the project; carried unanimously. Our board recommended improved weed control on county owed lands and that the county put the farm land out for bids on rent. Note: the county contracted with Giles Lawn Service for the Cedar Lake Park mowing.

The county notified the township of the **Annual Bridge Inspection**.

Marty Huss notified the Clerk, prior to the meeting, that a **Letter of Credit** for Hunter's Ridge was at the State Bank with Bruce Wolf.

The **Hazardous Mitigation Plan** has a review period until October 20, 2009.

Road Mileage for Helena Township was certified at 31.023 miles.

A **Certificate of Insurance** was received for Klehr Grading in the amount of \$2M.

On a motion by Maas/Pexa the **Jordan Fire Contract for 2009** in the amount of \$21,868.82 was accepted; carried unanimously.

Bill Paulsen for Senate communicated with the Clerk and requested an opportunity to meet with the board; Clerk provided information on dates/times of regular monthly meetings.

On a motion by Pexa/Maas, the Treasurer will allow funds to remain at Community Security once verified that funds are not at risk; carried unanimously. The **Treasurer's Report** was accepted on a motion by Pexa/Maas; carried unanimously.

Receipts were:

8/31/2009	\$	240.16	Community Security	Interest
8/31/2009	\$	146.61	Hometown Bank	Interest
9/1/2009	\$	5,000.00	Hendricks	Lot Fee
9/30/2009	\$	0.93	State Bank	Interest
9/30/2009	\$	100.95	State Bank	Interest
9/30/2009	\$	137.22	Community Security	Interest
9/30/2009	\$	121.79	Hometown Bank	Interest

The following **bills were paid** on a motion by Pexa/Maas; carried unanimously:

4461	\$	3,611.47	Klehr Grading	Grading and Bohnsack Way
4462	\$	196.22	Tender Care Lawn Service	RSP2 Park
4463	\$	1,800.00	Dustcoating Inc	Naylor Avenue
4464	\$	437.90	Stantec EcoCheck	SMBE
4465	\$	263.63	Knife River	Class 5 Bohnsack Way
4466	\$	51.56	Bevcomm	SSD
4467	\$	59.85	Stems & Vines of Prior Lake	Gene Berens Memorial
4468	\$	2,814.35	Ag Enterprises	ATV spraying
4469	\$	21,868.82	Jordan Fire	2009 Fire Contract
4470	\$	30,339.61	NP Rural Fire Protection	2nd 1/2 2009 Fire Contract
4471	\$	755.00	Halling Engineering	SMBE/Hunters/Tower/Country Knoll

Clerk will sent notification of **escrow** fund reimbursements needed.

Road Overseer & Maintenance Report – Darryl Perkins summarized the progress on road projects; gravel is needed on 245th, 270th, Bohnsack, Baseline, St. Benedict and 255th. Klehr will have Class 5; Tom Johnson recommended the township consider limestone from Kramer (Burnsville).

Clerk directed to verify logistics for MAT Conference.

On a motion by Maas/Pexa the meeting was **adjourned**; carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by
Clerk DeAnn Croatt

Chairman Duane Deutsch

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- Regular Monthly Meetings of the Helena Township are the first Tuesday each month (7:30 PM)
 - Effective September 1, 2009 township meetings and elections will be held at the New Prague Fire Hall, 505 5th Avenue Northwest, New Prague MN 56071; enter through West Door please.
 - The November 3rd meeting will be called to order at 8:00 PM.