

MINUTES
COLLINWOOD TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
February 18, 2014

Present: Supervisors Randy Holm, David Prieve and John Nowak, Clerk Larry Ostlund and Treasurer Michelle Schnitzler. The meeting was held at the home of Randy Holm. Also present was County Board member Bryan Larson

Chairman Holm called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Clerk Ostlund read the Jan 21, 2014 minutes. Motion by Nowak to accept the minutes as read, second by Prieve. Motion carried.

Treasurer Schnitzler presented the financial report for January. Motion by Prieve to accept the report, second by Nowak. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Larson discussed with the Board the possibility of putting a Civil Defense warning siren near Collinwood Lake. The siren would be on a 60 ft pole and would be funded by Meeker County with no cost to the township. The township has to approve a site for installing. At this point the preferred site would be on the east side of 746th Ave near where 213th St intersects with 746th Ave. Board members to talk to property owners in the vicinity to get a feel from them if that is an agreeable site and then let Commissioner Larson know what the findings are.

Treasurer Schnitzler is in the process of writing contracts for Andy Monson and Keith Oberg for the work they do for the township.

Chair Holm presented information for overlaying the blacktop by Lake Washington. The road to be done has been measured and is just under 4 miles. At this point the County Engineers Office is estimating the cost to be around \$80,000 per mile. With a few small spots that need to be repaired before laying the new blacktop, it appears that the cost could be around \$320,000. Supervisor Nowak made a motion to have the County Engineers office write the specs and put out bids for the project, seconded by Prieve. Motion carried. This would be for the main road only and no dead ends.

Treasurer Schnitzler will do more research on bonding for paying the cost of a major project.

Safety vests will be available at the Spring Short Course to be held in March. Will be getting 5 at that time.

Property insurance on the Town Hall and recycling shed in Dassel was discussed. MATIT had sent out information requiring the Board to chose full replacement coverage or stay with the coverage that is presently in place. The Board felt that the full replacement coverage was

extremely overestimated and was not feasible. Motion by Holm to stay with the \$80,000 coverage that is presently on the buildings, second by Nowak. Motion carried. Chair and clerk signed the necessary papers and clerk will mail them back.

Chair Holm gave a report on the Fire Commission and presented a projected budget for 2015. There will be the first annual meeting of the Fire Commission next week.

NEW BUSINESS

Board members will get gravel quotes to be opened at the March meeting for 5500 cubic yards of Class 1 gravel to be applied to township roads with a completion date of July 18th.

The annual meeting and election will be on March 11th at the townhall. Randy to clean the snow away and Larry to get the voting equipment . Dave, John and Michelle will be the election judges. Randy and Larry are up for re election.

Spring Short course will be in Hutchinson on Wednesday, March 26th.

Board of Appeal and Equalization will be on Wednesday, April 23rd at 7:00 PM

The County Highway Engineers Office wants the township to have a resolution naming a Board member to be the contact person for road sign replacement. Will do at next month's meeting.

Motion by Prieve and second by Nowak to approve a resolution to have the Meeker County Highway Department write the specs and put out bids for the Lake Washington overlay project. Motion carried.

Clerk presented claims for payment. Motion by Prieve to pay all claims numbered 10295 to 10304 for a total of \$10,505.09, second by Nowak. Members voting in favor were Prieve, Nowak and Holm. Motion carried

The March meeting will be held at the Townhall on Monday, March 17th at 7:00 PM

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There was no other business, motion by Prieve second by Nowak to adjourn at 9:45P.M. Motion carried.

Larry Ostlund, Clerk