

ELLSWORTH TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES

JULY 20, 2023

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: John Smith- Supervisor; Dave Jutz -Supervisor; Alan Skjefte-Supervisor; Lori Johnson-Clerk; Dawn Renner – Treasurer

OTHER ATTENDEES: Connie Johnson, Jodi Eggert, Tim Juntunen and Jan Jutz

APPROVE AND ACCEPT JUNE MINUTES: Made by Dave Jutz and seconded by Alan Skjefte

TREASURER’S REPORT:

Bargen Inv 22335	Crack Repair 220 th \$8291.00, 658 th \$10,500, 195 th	\$21,911.00
Bargen Inv. 22335-1	Gap Mastic Repair 220 th \$3,864.00, \$13,973	\$17,837.00
Bargen Inv 22335-2	Replay Sealcoat 195 th	\$30,628.00
Meeker Hwy Dept	Signs	\$314.50
Mid-Minnesota	216 th St \$145,790.00, 208 th \$365,383.50	\$511,173.50
MATIT	2022-23 Work Comp Admin Fee	\$100.00
	Total Bills:	\$581,964.00

Litchfield Fire Dept \$27,823.00 (Elvera had dropped of just before meeting)

Nuvera -Check received for \$268.22.

John has bill on his phone for Plunketts – we will have them send it by mail or e-mail to Lori/Dawn in future.

Lori mentioned that we have to check on interest payment for bond – need approval in case it is due. The cost is approximately \$21,000. Lori will check and if it is due, we will need to pay right away to avoid any penalty.

Motion to approve Treasurer’s report and pay the bills. Motion made by Dave Jutz and seconded by Alan Skjefte.

CLERKS REPORT:

Annual meeting for townships is September 26th at Litchfield Eagles

District Meeting in Willmar is same day as next township meeting – Dave Jutz had planned to attend.

We received contract for assessment services The cost will increase by .50 each year per parcel and will be at \$15.50 per parcel by 2027 – Contract was signed.

OPEN MEETING:

Jodi Eggert was inquiring about VRBO. The first weekend in June there was a problem with parking. There was discussion about septic issues. Lori has a cover letter that would be sent along with the form that needs to be completed. There is also another cabin that is being turned into a VRBO on Manuella.

Motion to close open meeting Alan Skjefte and second Dave Jutz

OLD BUSINESS:

- Update on 670th & 672nd – Dave is still working on it with the attorney – she will get cost info etc. and attend the meeting – all residents will be notified ahead of time and ad put in Litchfield newspaper.
- Furnace Repair – John still has pump and just has not gotten it done yet. Will do by next month.

- Belle Lake property – Dave Jutz talked with Mark Woods and it is not our issue – the title company will have to take care of it.
- Striping update – most of it is done – they will finish the few spots that they could not done when they are in the area.
- Weed spraying – Dave Jutz said he is still waiting on Holmgren – it hard to get scheduled because he was on vacation. He is hoping to get it done before next month.
- Gravel Update: Had approved Meeker Sand & Gravel – John said he had talked to them a couple of times and still had not done Connie Johnson,s road.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Sign on 216th/658th – Phil recommended yield on 216th – need resolution for Phil. Dave made motion to put yield sign and seconded by Alan Skjefte
- Jack’s Propane – prebuy is \$1.749 – used 297 gallons last year.
- John asked about getting a plaque made for the shelter.

ADJOURN:

Motion to adjourn by Dave Jutz and seconded by Alan Skjefte – Adjourn 7:45PM