

May 2009

The Town Board met at the Hall on May 5, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. with all members present. The meeting opened with the Pledge. The Treasurer reported a balance of \$57,768.69 in the General Fund and \$2,170.14 in the Cemetery Fund. Approved. Interest earned of \$2.99 in the General Fund and \$56.39 for the Cemetery

Brian Sandberg wants to gain a cart way access to his 37 acres with a portion taken out by the Paul Bunyan trail. This parcel is North of Nora Steven's 90 acre parcel. Brian called the county regarding the area supervisor of the DNR, there is a permit until the 20th of May to access his property. Permits are good until trail is paved. He cited a letter from the DNR that would grant access south and east of his property. Maps were reviewed and possibilities were discussed to no avail. Russ directed Brian to contact the power company for an easement. The requester will be responsible for all costs entailed. Russ gave Brian the paperwork he found from MAT regarding the inception through conclusion process to gain a cartway and asked he come to the next meeting to take the next step.

Russell was unable to get Tony Walzer of the DNR to commit to pave the parking lot. Tony requested that the township sign a 25year lease without any guarantee of paving. This is on hold until the contract verbiage is satisfactory to the Board.

Dan Lillquist is requesting a culvert as he is planning to build a house this summer. David Johnson needs a culvert for an approach to a lot/pasture he owns off 100th Avenue. Russ makes a motion to provide three culverts, the preacher, David and Dan Lillquist. Roger seconded the motion. Michael will contact and place an order with Walker Pipe.

Russ took the vacation of roads to attorney John Valen. We set a public hearing at 7:00 on June 2nd, 2009 with the regular meeting to follow. Need 8 resident owners to sign petition that live within 3 miles of road to be vacated.

The Final Plat was approved and recorded for the cemetery. The estimate for the water collection system for the cemetery exceeded in price what the board had approved, so the system is not approved for installation at this time.

Beltrami Electric and Paul Bunyan Telephone are processing our request to send the utility bills to the town board. Michael will bring the paperwork to the next meeting to be reviewed and signed if any.

Time to be considered to view of road improvements is tabled until the next meeting.

Kevin Fuller to be contacted to move the sign from where it presently sits. Board has pre-approved payment for work not to exceed \$200.00 plus any cosmetic work that may need to be done. Michael made a motion to approve. Roger seconded the motion.

David Johnson spent considerable time explaining to the board what is involved with assessing parcels for proper taxing. There are classification and many other changes that have to be reviewed and made to present records with a three-proof process made between David and the County. David has assessed for Guthrie Township for 12 years and now assesses 15 districts in total.

The next township meeting will take place on June 2, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. Russ made a motion to adjourn, Michael seconded the motion.