

September 14, 2010 - Guthrie Town Board Minutes

The Guthrie Town Board met at the hall at 8:00 p.m. on September 14, 2010 with Russ Nickerson, Michael Schmidt, Roger Corson, Amanda Lofthus, John Casson and Rebecca Beevor present. Later joined were Randy Blake, Ross and Laurie Pederson and Andrew Haman. The minutes from last month's meeting were approved as read. The Treasurer gave the month's Financial Report of \$37,839.13 in the General Fund and \$4991.07 in the Cemetery Fund. Russ motioned to approve the reports, Michael seconded the motion.

Russ visited with attorney John Valen regarding the road abandonment of 400th Street. Registered letters need to be sent to land owner's within two miles of the minimum maintenance road to be extinguished. A joint hearing date will need to be set with an agenda for the meeting. The board would like to set up this hearing before the 2011 annual meeting. John discussed potential concerns and will present this to the Hendrickson Township monthly meeting to take place next week.

Randy Blake has a bill from Don Schubbe, Bemidji Monument Company, for Cemetery monuments that need to be replaced and repaired because of the incident that took place the first part of August by Andrew Haman. Fifteen monuments need to be reset and two monuments need to be replaced. Randy Blake is submitting a bill for time assessing the damage with Don. Russ has a bill for the work done to the mower deck. There is an open and active insurance claim, paperwork is being sent in the mail.

Ross and Laurie Pederson have requested information concerning a cartway along a 40 acre parcel located on the north end of Duane Sheets property (County Road 118), Parcel 09.0500.10. The Pedersons have been given verbal access by Duane to cross the land, but now would like to gain full legal access via cartway. Russ talked to Attorney John Valen and came up with some very rough estimates for the costs that may be incurred and discussed those with the Pedersons. Russ will contact the MAT attorney to see if the petitioner has to pay for the land owners' attorney's charges and what other costs can be anticipated to be incurred. Russ will then contact Duane directly about the situation in an effort to cut overall costs and time for all parties involved.

Steve Rogers relayed to Russ that the hall rental for the Lion's and Wisk clubs would be \$25.00 per month not per meeting. There will be a \$50.00 per rental for other events, \$25.00 per meetings.

Andrew gave an update on the road sign works being done reporting approximately 50 percent of the signs have been replaced according to the Road Sign plan.

Michael attended the Lion's Club meeting last night. They had paid Corson's final bill for dirt work for the shelter. There is a \$697.00 difference in payment as it was more than what was budgeted by the Lion's Club.

The next meeting will take place on October 12th, 2010 at 8:00 p.m. The Fall Road Tour will take place on October 9th, 2010 at 7:30 a.m. Michael motioned to pay the bills, Roger seconded it. Michael motioned to adjourn.