

Guthrie Township Annual Meeting
March 13, 2001

The annual meeting was held in the Guthrie Townhall in County of Hubbard, State of Minnesota. Acting Chairman, Michael Schmidt, opened the meeting with the Pledge. Clayton Knoshaug was chosen to preside as Moderator. Election was held earlier in the day to elect one Supervisor for the term of three years to fill the place of Roger Corson, whose term expires and to elect one Treasurer to fill the place of Evelyn Hadrava, whose two year term expires. The minutes of the 2000 Annual Meeting were approved as read. The treasurer reported a balance of \$37,447.74 at the end of the year, 2000. Copies of the financial statement of the township were distributed. Motion by Joe Marchel and seconded by Stephen Rogers to have a breakdown of the board salaries, Judge salaries, Cemetery salaries, office expenses, truth in taxation costs, and gopher bounties paid. Motion approved. Michael Schmid gave a descriptive road report, copies of which were also distributed among the residents. There was a discussion on rock removal from the ditches and extensive grading on some roads which concerned citizens because of too much travel causing dust. Michael Schmidt reported the need for extensive brush clearing and gravel. Steve Rogers stated to have the brush clearing and rock removal work done close together so the mower can keep the brush down. He also would like to have the mower make two swipes, however, this was questioned if possible with a regular mower. Fire protection costs for the year 2001 (due in December 2001) will be \$1359.61. Helen Leclair motioned to keep the wage scale for Judge salaries and other hired help at \$7.00 per hour. Julie Johnson seconded, motion approved. There was considerable discussion on Cemetery maintenance. A motion by David Johnson to remove and clean dead plants and old plastic flowers by the 1st of October. The new gravesites to be given a years grace. The Caretaker should use his discretion of what should be removed to keep the Cemetery nice. Candy Barthels motioned to have the Board make a plan to show where trees & shrubs should be located before Memorial Day for ascetically pleasing and easy maintenance by the caretaker. Motions were seconded and approved. The new Channel-link fence is to be completed by Memorial Weekend. A motion by Randy Blake to require a cement vault for graves. Motion seconded by Carolyn Vanthuynne and approved. Black dirt and grass seed will be needed. Terrance Clairmont volunteered the black dirt. David Johnson motioned to raise the pocket gopher bounty to \$1.50 per pr. of front feet. Steve Rogers seconded the motion, motion carried. The Board of Supervisors is to research which First Responder group serves Guthrie Township and pay accordingly. Dan Rogers motioned to pay \$500.00 to the First Responders. Shareen Haanpaa seconded, motion carried. Helen LeClaire volunteered to write to the Park Rapids Headwaters Recreation program to find out what amount of money is needed to get a youth program for one day a week in Guthrie.

ON MOTION IT WAS ORDERED THAT THE FOLLOWING SUMS OF MONEY BE RAISED BY TAX UPON TAXABLE PROPERTY IN GUTHRIE TOWNSHIP FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:

General Revenue..Motion by David Johnson, seconded by Glynda Knutson, approved.....\$8,500.00
Road & Bridge.....Motion by David Johnson, seconded by Evelyn Hadrava, approved30,000.00
Fire Protection.... Motion by Dan Rogers, seconded by Carolyn Vanthuynne, approved.....1,500.00
Cemetery Fund... ..Motion by David Johnson, seconded by Steve Rogers, approved.....2,000.00
Building Fund.... Motion by Carolyn Vanthuynne, seconded by Glynda Knutson, approved.....5,000.00
On motion it was resolved to raise by taxation for all purposes during the current year a tax of \$47,000.00 on all real and personal property of the Town liable to taxation.

Motion by David Johnson to have building fund money used only for building ..motion died for lack of second. Dan Rogers motioned not to pay into the building fund, later withdrew his motion. Motion by Mr. Barthel to have the township road north of his property (a minimum maintenance road) vacated, seconded by Erling Lifthus. motion failed. Several residents living on the Township road 396 were complaining about the snowmobile traffic caused by the DNR rerouting the snowmobile trail down this road. State Law allows such traffic and the Townboard cannot stop it.

A letter received from the Hubbard County Weed inspector to have money approved for noxious weed spray. Motion was made and approved to have the weed control by mowing the roadsides and without any spray.

The townboard is to meet with YeOldeSchoolground board to work out an agreement in combined ownership of the Ye Olde Schoolground property.

The next Annual Meeting will be held on the second Tuesday in March, 2002. at the Guthrie Townhall,

the same place as designated for holding the next General Election in the town. Polls are to open at 2:00 P.M. and close at 8:00 P. M. The notification of the meeting and agenda to be mailed to the township residents.

Motion to adjourn made by Evelyn Hadrava, seconded by Dan Rogers. Approved...submitted by D. Clairmont, Clerk

2001 Election Results

The following is a statement of the result of the canvass of votes for the election of officers, and for the various propositions submitted at the Annual Town Meeting in the Town of Guthrie, County of Hubbard State of Minnesota, March 13, 2001 as publicly canvassed by the Judges of said meeting.

Supervisor - 3 year term:

Roger Corson	40 votes + 3 blank
Walter Busse	10 votes
Carolyn Vanthuynne	2 votes
Steve Rogers	1 vote
Tim Gladen	1 vote

Roger Corson was declared elected Supervisor for the term of three years.

Treasure- 2 year term

Evelyn Hadrava	53 votes + 4 blank
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Evelyn Hadrava was declared elected Treasurer for the term of two years.

Signed by Judges: Julie Hommerding; Sue Philippi; Carolyn Vanthuynne & Dorothy Clairmont.