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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL TOWN
MEETING, GUTHRIE, MN.
3/09/04

The Annual Township Meeting was in the Township of Guthrie, County of Hubbard and State of Minnesota on the Ninth Day of March, 2004.

The meeting was called to order by Clerk, Dorothy Clairmont. Clayton Knoshaug was chosen to preside as Moderator at the meeting same, as follows, To elect one Supervisor for the term of three years to fill the place of Roger Corson, whose term expires, one Clerk for the term of two years to fill the place of Dorothy Clairmont. Clayton Knoshaug opened the meeting with the Pledge . Copies of the 2003 Minutes were passed out. David Johnson motioned to approve the Minutes . Ryan Johnson seconded the motion. Copies of the Financial Report were passed out. Dan Rogers motioned to approve the Financial Report, John Kinc seconded the motion.

Michael Schmidt gave the Road Report and future plans. There was considerable discussion on cutting the edges of the roadway to bring the gravel back on the road surface along with better drainage. Michael Schmidt is to contact Gladen Construction to correct this problem. Julie Johnson motioned to accept the Road Report. Motion approved.

Wage Scale: Motion by Dan Rogers, seconded by Candy Barthel to leave the wages at \$10.00 per hour for Election Judges and other hired help.

Cemetery: Michael Schmidt reported the need for black dirt to be used for fill. The Chain Link fence across the west side of the Cemetery will be installed as soon as an installer can be contracted. The wage for the Cemetery Labor was motioned by Ryan Johnson, seconded by Candy Barthel to be \$15.00 per hour.

Fire Protection: There are changes taking place at the Cass Lake Fire Department to form a Fire Station with a member from each township on the board. There was a large increase in cost for fire protection. Laporte Fire Department has given figures for Guthrie Township fire protection . It is unknown how many townships will be contracted at this time so this matter was tabled. A special meeting will be held at a later date. David Johnson motioned to notify the people by mail . Russell Nickerson seconded the motion.

The Woodland Hall is still registered in the name of Guthrie Township as reported by Assessor David Johnson. A Quit Claim Deed was been given to William Klaus for the hall..

Pocket Gopher Bounty was left at \$1.50 per pair of feet. Hubbard County will discontinue the .25 cent reimbursement per pair as of 12/31/04. Approved.

On Motion, it was ordered,that the following sums of money be raised by tax upon the taxable property in Guthrie Township for the following purposes:

General Fund: Motion by Dan Rogers, seconded by Ryan Johnson.....\$20,000.00

Road/Bridge: Motion by Michael Schmidt,seconded by John Kinc.....30,000.00

Fire Protection: Motion by David Johnson, seconded by Michael Schmidt..... 7,000.00

(David Johnson motioned to transfer funds from the Road and Bridge Fund of \$2,142.71 to close out the deficit balance in the Fire Fund.)

Building: (The third payment of five due in 2004).....5,000.00

Cemetery: Motion by Michael Schmidt, seconded by David Johnson.....2,000.00

On Motion, it was Resolved to raise by taxation for the above named purposed during the current year a tax of \$64,000.00 on all the real and personal property of Guthrie Township which is liable to taxation.

Donations: Headwater Intervention Center (Summer Playground program) , Motion by Dan Rogers, seconded by Steve Engel to send \$300.00.

Bemidji Public Library- Motion by Candy Barthel, seconded by Anita Johnson to send \$400.00

Park Rapids Public Library-Motion by Candy Barthel, seconded by Anita Johnson to send \$100.00

Beltrami Humane Society-Motion by Candy Barthel, seconded by Anita Johnson to send \$100.00

On Motion it was Resolved to have the next Annual Meeting and election on the second Tuesday in March, 2005 with the polls opening at 2:00 p.m. and closing at 8:00 p.m. with the annual meeting to follow. A motion by Darin Miller, seconded by Dan Rogers to have the Notification of Election and Filing to be published in the Bemidji Pioneer and Notice of the Agenda of the Annual Meeting to be mailed to the Residences of Guthrie Township.

A motion to adjourn was made by Terrance Clairmont, seconded by Steve Engel. Motion carried.

STATEMENT OF RESULT
OF CANVASS

The following is a statement of the result of the canvass of votes for the election of officers at the at the Annual Town Meeting in the Town of Guthrie, County of Hubbard, State of Minnesota on March 9,2004 as publicly canvassed by the Judges of said meeting.

Roger Corson received	27 votes
Ryan Johnson received.....	16 votes
Blank ballot.....	1
Total ballots cast 44 for Supervisor	

Dorothy Clairmont received.....	41 votes
Sue Philippi received.....	1 vote
Greg Johnson received.....	1 vote
Blank Ballot.....	1
Total ballots cast 44 for Clerk	

Election Judges: Evelyn Hadrava, Steve Engel, Helen LeClaire & Virginia Olson