Guthrie Township - 2008 Meeting Notices

(also in newspaper 10 days prior)

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The <u>Board of Audit Meeting</u> will be held **Monday, March 10th 2008 at 8:00 P.M**. at the address listed above. This meeting reviews the financial records of the Township. The 2007 annual financial report will be available at this and the annual meeting.

The <u>Annual Township Meeting</u> will be held <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>March 11th 2008 at 8:00 P.M</u>. at the address listed above. The Agenda for this meeting is listed below: If inclement weather causes a cancellation the meeting, the annual meeting will be held at the same location, on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>March 18th 2008 at 8:00 P.M</u>

The <u>Regular Monthly Town Board Meeting</u> for Guthrie Township will be **Wednesday March 12th at 8:00 P.M.** at the address listed above

The <u>Board of Appeal and Equalization Meeting</u> will be held <u>Thursday April 3rd at 11:00 A.M.</u> at the address listed above. This meeting is an attempt to address the grievances of property owners who choose to appeal their current assessment year's valuation and/or classification. These forums are conducted fairly and objectively according to the laws of the state At this meeting the Board it may reduce, increase, or do nothing to the value of a property..

NOTE: The Township Annual Elections have been move to November by vote of the people. There will be Township elections in November for two Township Supervisors and the Township Treasurer. You are strongly encouraged to **file** for a township position instead of a write in. A write in will be accepted; however, this will cause the election judges to manually count ballots. For further information, please refer to the web page: http://www.township.guthrie.mn.us

Annual Meeting Agenda

- 1. Township Clerk to call meeting to order with Pledge of Allegiance and instructs the people to elect a moderator who acts as the chair and is responsible for parliamentary procedures.
- 2. Minutes of last year's annual meeting to be read.
- 3. Financial Report: Financial statement of the Township Amanda Lofthus. Motion for Approval?
- 4. Supervisor Schmidt's comments on our Township roads.
- 5. Setting of levy discussion.
 - a. General Revenue Levy
 - b. Road and Bridge Levy (in order to qualify for the gas tax refund (over \$7000 in 07), the minimum levy must be more than \$22,689.11) REVISED 2-22-08
 - c. Fire Fund Levy
 - d. Cemetery Fund Levy Discussion & Cemetery Improvements
 - e. Building Fund Levy and Discussion
 - f. Donation requests.
- 6. Wage scales for 2008 (election judges etc see Page 2 for 2006 rates)
- 7. New Business and OPEN forum discussion
 - a. Cemetery Maintenance
 - b. Other New Business
- 8. Select Time and place to open next years Annual Meeting Select Official Newspaper
- 9. Review voting hours in November. Interested in being an Election Judge? See Dorothy Clairmont
- 10. Motion for Adjournment.

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Current Labor Rates

Township labor rates are set by the board and can be found at http://www.township.guthrie.mn.us They are listed under the 2007 Annual Financial Report. Other rates are as follows:

Election Judge = \$12.00 per hour / Gopher Bounty = \$1.50 per gopher / Cemetery Labor = \$15.00 per hour

NOTES

Minnesota Statute 365.XX states that most actions taken at the annual meeting simply authorize the board to take subsequent action and are not binding on the board. Preferences of the residents can be discussed at the annual meeting, but only the board can take official action on these matters. Further, the electors cannot authorize the town board to do something otherwise prohibited by law, or which the township lacks the authority to do.