

## March 2016 Meeting Minutes

The monthly meeting of the Bergen Township Board was held on Thursday, March 10th. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman, Francis Burch. All board members were present.

Ryan Ide made a motion, seconded by Albert Teubert, to approve the February 11, 2016 regular meeting minutes and Special meeting February 17, 2016 minutes after a correction was made to the February 11 minutes. Motion carried.

The first quarter payroll is as follows: Francis Burch \$341.69; Albert Teubert \$341.69; Ryan Ide \$438.66; Joann Feltmann \$575.46; Angela Leverich \$851.92; Amy Meyer \$455.64. The following claims were presented: Amy Meyer \$20.83; MN Benefit \$1,205.00; Franklin Printing \$93.00; Joann Feltmann \$480.39; McLeod Co-op Power \$40.00; Angela Leverich \$53.43; Hutchinson Leader \$30.55; Township Insite \$400.00; Herald Journal \$29.52; Francis Burch \$32.96; McLeod Publishing \$49.40; Center Point \$23.72; Xcel Energy \$23.84; John Deere Financial \$281.36. Ryan Ide made a motion to pay the payroll and claims, seconded by Albert Teubert, Carried

On a motion by Ryan Ide, seconded by Albert Teubert, the treasurers report was approved as follows: Receipts in General fund \$15.61; Road and Bridge \$25,368.36 and Fire \$0.00, Disbursements in General \$1,039.67; Road and Bridge \$2,676.67; and Fire \$9,191.55, leaving a balance in General \$17,368.44; Road and Bridge \$190,328.17; Fire \$31,056.25; for a total of \$238,752.86. Carried

The treasurer reported that she is putting together a rough draft of information on web site and also reported that some resident was having problems with the site. The clerk will check on this.

**Road Report:** Jeff Klehr of Klehr Grading reported that he had graded and will report back with a list of areas on roads that need gravel. He will go along when the board does the road tour.

**Old Business:** Deputy Rossow reported that he has turned the issue of a post on a right of way on Zero Avenue to the attorney. A registered letter had been mailed to the resident, but returned unclaimed, unable to forward.

Ryan Ide made a motion, seconded by Albert Teubert, to sign the Lester Prairie Fire Department contract. Carried

Francis Burch made a motion, seconded by Albert Teubert, to sign the Glencoe Fire Department contract. Carried.

Ryan Ide had told the architect Jim Haugen to delete the option 1, which is for a completed townhall/insulated shop and option 2, which is a townhall/cold storage shed. Haugen will get back to the board in just remodeling the existing townhall and the add on addition. Haugen stated there might be enough room for addition without removing the existing shed.

Gene Feltmann of the building committee was present and reported that he had talked to Ram Builders of Winsted. They will handle entire project, including competitive bidding and architect seal and would like to meet with the entire committee and discuss the project. A meeting will be set up. It was suggested that the board get a variance.

Ryan Ide made a motion, seconded by Albert Teubert, that Francis Burch get the paper work for the variance from the county and bring it back to the April meeting. Carried.

After discussion, Ryan Ide made a motion, seconded by Francis Burch, to list the grader and truck for sale with an asking price of \$77,000.00 for the grader and \$40,000.00 for the truck. Albert Teubert opposed.

Jeff Klehr of Klehr Grading might be interested in the grader and truck.

Ryan Ide made a motion, seconded by Francis Burch, to have the clerk take pictures of the equipment and list them for sale in the Township Insider book two times at the asking price. Albert Teubert abstained.

Ryan Ide made a motion, seconded by Albert Teubert to offer \$100.00 for seed to Rick Heuer and have him till, plant and harvest the hay from the two acres of land the township has purchased and that the corner posts do not be removed. Carried.

**New Business:** Ryan Ide made a motion, seconded by Albert Teubert to apply chloride on the roads where residents requested it. After lengthy discussion, it was decided to research putting chloride on and table it for another year, so Ryan Ide retracted his motion.

The board has received a gravel quote from Meeker Washed Sand and Gravel Inc. of Darwin, MN at Class 5 - \$11.89 per ton and Class 1 - \$12.79 per ton. They will be asking Wm. Mueller and Son of Hamburg for another quote.

Klehr Grading of Arlington was asked for a quote for reclaiming, mowing, grading and plowing from May 1, 2016 to April 30, 2017. Mueller will be asked for the same quote and have the quotes returned by April 1, 2016.

Ryan Ide made a motion, seconded by Albert Teubert to sign the Conditional Use Permit for Calvin Dolezal for recycling, with the stipulation that Calvin clean up any spill of contamination and that he would be liable for any costs. Carried.

Ryan Ide made a motion, seconded by Albert Teubert to sign the Conditional Use Permit for Brian Roushar for a dog kennel. Carried.

Ryan Ide made a motion, seconded by Albert Teubert, to allow Access for Servicing on County Road 9 east on 175<sup>th</sup> street at Berry Cam Service to 17002 Zero Avenue for Randy Fiecke. Carried.

Ryan Ide made a motion, seconded by Albert Teubert to table the decision on returning to March elections and having supervisors return to three year terms. Carried. The clerk will check with the township attorney for the correct procedure.

The following are upcoming meetings: Spring Short Course – March 23, 9:00 am; Lobby Day – March 31; Board of Appeals and Equalization – April 7, 7:00 p.m.; Severe Weather Training – April 12, 7- 9:00 pm; Regular meeting – April 14, 7:00 pm.

Ryan Ide made a motion, seconded by Francis Burch to allow sending McLeod Co-op Power Association \$300.00 to be paid with the April claims. Carried.

Fuel has been emptied from the shed and Albert Teubert will report back in April if there is a refund.

After discussion, it was tabled as what to do with the shed by the townhall.

Darwin Litzau or Bob Mathews will be asked to build up a road on Eagle Avenue, between 140<sup>th</sup> and 150<sup>th</sup> street.

Angela Leverich reported that a resident had a concern that the addition on the townhall would not be big enough.

On a motion by Francis Burch, seconded by Albert Teubert, the meeting was adjourned at 10:34 p.m. Carried

