

Regular monthly meeting of the Girard Town Board held May 15, 2021 at 7:30 a.m. at the Girard Town Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Estes, Pedersen, J. Trites, Jacobson, K. Trites

VISITORS: Will Luhning, Butch Herzberg, Jeff Stabnow

The meeting was brought to order by Chairman Estes with the pledge to the flag.

Motion by Pedersen to accept the agenda for the regular meeting held May 15, 2021 at the Girard Town Hall. Seconded by J. Trites. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Estes to approve the minutes from the Board of Review and Equalization meeting held April 16, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. with the Town Board at the Town Hall and the township assessor virtually, the regular monthly meeting held April 17, 2021 at 7:30 a.m. at the Town Hall and the road check meeting held April 30, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. on the roads and at 5:15 p.m. at the Town Hall. Seconded by Pedersen. Carried unanimously.

The Treasurer's report will be given at next month's meeting.

Motion by Pedersen to approve the bills as audited and any bills that may be presented at this meeting. Check numbers accepted are 10905 through 10921. Seconded by Estes. Carried unanimously.

Luhning gave the report on roads. The road sweeping and gravel reclaiming have been done. The beaver holes are holding and don't seem to be getting worse. Herzberg has trapped two more beaver.

Motion by J. Trites to accept Ottetail Aggregate's price of \$6.85 per ton for road material with 13-16% clay for the roads and Performance Paving's estimate of \$26,000.00 for tar patching and skimming. That estimate does not include a spot on Chippewa Road. J. Trites will contact Performance Paving for the additional cost for the additional work. Work to be done is listed in the minutes of the road check meeting. Seconded by Pedersen. Carried unanimously.

Motion by J. Trites to order fourteen pallets of magnesium chloride. Seconded by Pedersen. Carried unanimously.

Motion by J. Trites to order 200 -250 fourteen-ton truck loads of 13-16% clay gravel at \$6.85/ton from Ottetail Aggregate. Seconded by Pedersen. Carried unanimously.

Liberty Lane needs graveling yet. The culvert that was removed needs to be replaced. The tiling at the culvert is open almost to the lake. Discussion of a berm.

Estes approved an Approach Permit for David Sperling to build an approach to his property at 44651 Castle Drive.

Dave Thompson needs to remove the hazardous to the public rocks from his approach right-of-way on Chippewa Trail.

Motion by J. Trites to increase all hourly wages by \$.75 per hour, including road maintenance person, general labor, Town Board and election judges. Seconded by Pederson. Vote: For – J. Trites, Pedersen Against – Estes. Carried.

Motion by J. Trites to place an ad in the township papers to inform the public that expanding the Town Board from a three supervisor board to a five supervisor board will be considered at the June regular monthly meeting. Seconded by Estes. Carried unanimously.

Estes is working at changing the BLAFRA fire department service lines in Girard.

Discussion of brushing in ditches and road right-of-ways.

Discussion of the Mason Lake high water problem responsibility to county, township and property owners. The township could build up 440th Avenue or close the road if necessary.

Discussion of the East Battle – Stuart Lake resurfacing project. Nidaros is waiting to receive a petition from property owners before going forward with any action on the project.

New mailboxes on Liberty Lane will be addressed when the road work is done.

The next monthly meeting will be held June 19, 2021 at 7:30 a.m. at the Town Hall.

Motion by Pedersen to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 a.m. Seconded by J. Trites. Carried unanimously.

Chairman

Clerk

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