

Regular monthly meeting of the Girard Town Board held September 19, 2020 at 7:30 a.m. at the Girard Town Hall.

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

VISITORS: Will Luhning, Butch Herzberg, John Christensen, Jeff Stabnow, Randy Torgerson, Steven Sanda

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 September 19, 2020. Seconded by J. Trites. Carried unanimously.

Motion by J. Trites to approve the minutes from the regular monthly meeting held August 15, 2020 at 7:30 a.m., the Continuation of the Annual Meeting held August 15, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. and the special meeting held September 02, 2020 at 4:45 p.m. all at the Town Hall. Seconded by Pedersen. Carried unanimously.

Motion by J. Trites to accept the Treasurer's balance of \$289,094.72. Seconded by Pedersen. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Pedersen to approve the bills as audited and any bills that may be presented at this meeting. Check numbers accepted are 10713 through 10734. Seconded by J. Trites. Carried unanimously.

Report on roads was given by Luhning. The shouldering is done and the mowing has been started. Dust control has not worked as well this year. Motion by J. Trites to hire Lakes Area Tree Service to brush the Girard side of 460th Avenue South when they do the Henning side. They should also do the end of Clarissa Haven Drive at the same time. Seconded by Pedersen. Carried unanimously. Luhning is planning a vacation for the first two weeks in November.

The equalizer culvert between East and west Mason Lakes is blocked.

The Cares Act Corona Relief Fund money has been applied for. Information on how to spend it is needed. Clerk will work on finding info.

Discussion of purchase of a new broom mower or renting one.

Discussion of a 30' X 50' asphalt pad behind the hoop shed. Trites will call companies for bids.

Motion by J. Trites to refund new approach permit fee of \$100.00 to Tim Lannon because he will not be building a new approach. Seconded by Pedersen. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Pedersen to approve a building permit to Tim McCarte to build an 18' X 20' outdoor kitchen attached to his house on his property at 40390 Co. Hwy 128. Seconded by J. Trites. Carried unanimously.

Motion by J. Trites to give permission to the City of Henning to dig in the road right-of-way and bore under the road if needed at 23905 Navaho Trail and at 23905 Brandborg Creek Court for new natural gas services. Work needs to be done on the far outward slope of the ditch and all areas disturbed to be properly restored to good condition again. Any damaged culverts will need to be replaced. If at any time in the future Girard Township does any work that interferes with any gas lines or such gas lines adversely affect the township in any way, the City of Henning shall assume full responsibility for any expenses incurred to Girard Township or the City of Henning. Seconded by Pedersen. Carried unanimously.

Motion by J. Trites to give permission to Lake Region Electric Cooperative to place an electric distribution line under Liberty Drive with a directional bore. Work needs to be done on the far outward slope of the ditch and all areas disturbed to be properly restored to good condition again. Any damaged culverts will need to be replaced. If at any time in the future Girard Township does any work that interferes with any such electric distribution line or such electric distribution line adversely affects the township in any way, Lake Region Electric Cooperative shall assume full responsibility for any expenses incurred to Girard Township or Lake Region Electric Cooperative. Seconded by Pedersen. Carried unanimously.

Discussion of swing away assembly mailboxes for use on Liberty Lane. The county uses Central MN Seeding to install for a cost of \$100.00 for mailbox and installation. Stabnow has contact information.

BLAFRA needs \$75,000.00 for new updated packs and masks for twenty-two members and a new compressor.

J. Trites will consider looking into complaints regarding the Sanda platted road.

Christensen will move forward on Liberty Lane project as electric and stump work gets done.

The next regular monthly meeting will be held October 17, 2020 at 7:30 a.m. at the Town Hall.

Motion by J. Trites to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 a.m. Seconded by Pedersen. Carried unanimously.

Chairman

Clerk

10/17/2020

