

Regular monthly meeting of the Girard Town Board held October 17, 2020 at 7:30 a.m. at the Girard Town Hall.

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

VISITORS: Butch Herzberg, John Christensen, Steven Sanda, Kathy Saurer

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

Motion by J. Trites to accept the agenda for the regular meeting held October 17, 2020 with the additions of a building permit for Randy and Rosalyn Andrews. Seconded by Pedersen. Carried unanimously.

Motion by J. Trites to approve the minutes from the regular monthly meeting held September 19, 2020 at 7:30 a.m. at the Town Hall. Seconded by Pedersen. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Pedersen to accept the Treasurer's balance of \$291,932.63. Seconded by J. Trites. Carried unanimously.

Motion by J. Trites to approve the bills as audited and any bills that may be presented at this meeting. Check numbers accepted are 10735 through 10756. Seconded by Pedersen. Carried unanimously.

Luhning was not present to give the report on roads. The mowing is done. The snow fence should be used again at Chippewa Road. The "Yield" sign at Brandborg Creek and Liberty Drive is missing and needs to be replaced.

Motion by J. Trites to enter into a Winter Maintenance Agreement with the Otter Tail County Highway Department to purchase 150 cubic yards of salt/sand material for \$34.75/cubic yard. Christensens should be hired to do the hauling of the salt/sand material. Seconded by Pedersen. Carried unanimously.

Motion by J. Trites to have Christensens be on call for snow plowing when Luhning goes on vacation on October 31st for two weeks. Seconded by Pedersen. Carried unanimously.

Discussion of a broom mower and a paved pad behind the hoop shed. The size of the pad was discussed. The pad would be done next year.

Pedersen will check on putting the old snowplow truck on the on-line auction that the county uses.

Motion by Pedersen to certify a 2019 road mileage of 43 miles to the Otter Tail County Highway Department. Seconded by J. Trites. Carried unanimously.

MATIT will be doing a property valuation survey. Pedersen or Estes should be called to be present during the survey.

Christensen will be working on the culvert replacement on Liberty Lane. The culvert should have flared ends and a little slope. The mailboxes on Liberty Lane need to be addressed.

Estes will check with the fire departments regarding use of the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief money that the township has received. Girard has received \$18,450.00.

Motion by J. Trites for the township to rent a porta-potty for the general election. Seconded by Pedersen. Carried unanimously.

Motion by J. Trites to send a reminder to Tim Greene to remove the old approach on his property at 41529 Ukkelberg Drive. Seconded by Pedersen. Carried unanimously.

Motion by J. Trites to approve a Building Permit for Randy and Roselyn Andrews to build a 28' X 32' house on their property at 45807 Co. Hwy 16. Seconded by Pedersen. Carried unanimously.

Clerk will check if any gravel was scheduled for south Fern Cliff Road at the road check meeting.

Motion by J. Trites to schedule a special meeting on November 17, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. to address pending issues. Seconded by Pedersen. Carried unanimously.

Motion by J. Trites to give permission to the clerk to spend up to \$400.00 on a new copier. Seconded by Estes. Carried unanimously.

After looking into complaints regarding the Sanda platted road, the township found that law enforcement will not enforce no parking violations without a legal survey of where the platted road lies.

The next regular monthly meeting will be held November 21, 2020 at 7:30 a.m. at the Town Hall.

Motion by J. Trites to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 a.m. Seconded by Pedersen. Carried unanimously.

Chairman
10/17/2020

Clerk