Regular monthly meeting of the Girard Town Board held April 19, 2014 at 7:30 a.m. at the Girard Town Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Trites, Christianson, Adamietz, Jacobson, Bosen

VISITORS: Jeff Stabnow, Robert Fritz, Roland Wiek, John Christensen, Carl Linderkamp

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

Motion by Adamietz to approve the minutes of the organizational meeting held March 15, 2014 at 7:30 a.m. and the regular monthly meeting held March 15, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. both at the Town Hall. Seconded by Christianson. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Adamietz to approve the Treasurer’s report with a balance of $296,977.66. Seconded by Christensen. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Adamietz to approve the bills as audited and any bills that may be presented at this meeting. Check numbers approved are 9042 through 9064. Receipt numbers approved are 25089 through 25094. Seconded by Trites. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Adamietz to approve an approach permit for Steven Smith to have an approach built for access to his back lot at 27101 Lake Ethel Road. Seconded by Trites. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Trites to approve a building permit for Terry Christianson to build a 36’ X 64’ pole barn and a 12’ X 20’ storage shed on his property at 24085 440th Avenue. Seconded by Adamietz. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Adamietz to give permission to Arvig Communications Systems to replace buried communications cable in the road right-of-way to 44381 Castle Drive. Seconded by Trites. Carried unanimously.

A private weed meeting will be held during the regular monthly meeting at 8:30 a.m. on May 17, 2014.

Before the Board will give permission to the City of Battle Lake and Design Tree to construct and maintain a natural gas system within certain township road right-of-ways, more information is needed. Stabnow will call Design Tree and bring information to the May meeting.

The culvert on Chippewa Road has water running on the outside of the culvert. The Board will meet with John Christensen at the culvert during the Road Check. Down time for replacement of the culvert would be two hours. A one-piece longer culvert would be used. Fabric with rock over the top also helps with erosion. The cost would be approximately $4,000 for the culvert and $7,500 for labor. The cost for hauling the culvert would be additional. Chippewa Road also has stump problems and there are dips in the road. Stabnow will look at the problems.

Motion by Trites to set the Road Check meeting for May 10, 2014 at 6:00 a.m. on the roads and the meeting at the Town Hall at approximately 11:00 a.m. Seconded by Adamietz. Carried unanimously.

Report on the roads was given by Linderkamp. Crack filling is being done. There is wasted time waiting for the tar to be heated. Fenders on the road grader are on.

Adamietz reported that the new building design for the BLA Fire & Rescue will hold eight trucks and cost estimate is $9000,000.

Discussion of the addition of facilities, office space and shop bathroom to the town hall.

The town hall should be sprayed for insects before the Primary Election.

Spraying weeds should be done carefully because of bees.

A sliding door on the garage open addition with a cost of $2,400.00 was discussed. The shop floor needs work and cleaning the shop would be done also.

The next regular monthly meeting will be held May 17, 2014 at 7:30 a.m. at the Girard Town Hall.

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

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Chairman Clerk

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