

**Eckles Township Board of Supervisors
Monthly Meeting Minutes
November 14, 2023**

The regular Eckles Township Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Donald Hazeman, Supervisors Darren Baumgardner, Mel Milender, Beth Hendricks were present. Cory Wilson was unable to attend. Also present were Becky Moe, Clerk, Mary Lou Milender, Clerk and Deb Larson Treasurer. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PUBLIC ATTENDEES: Merlin and Joyce Vold, Brandon Erickson, Dale Wilson, Gary, Anya Farder, Gary Boyer. Unable to read one of the signatures.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Darren, seconded by Mel to approve the minutes of October 10, 2023. Approved.

Approval of Agenda and Consent Agenda: Motion by Mel and seconded by Beth to approve the Agendas for the evening. Approved.

Visitors:

Merlin and Joyce Vold were present and brought up a concern with the completion of their driveway when the culverts changes were installed. They had been told the granite that was in place would be put back once the project was complete. Their granite was not put back into place when said project was completed. They were given a bill for \$471.25 to replace it from Tim Wilson Excavating. They feel that they should be reimbursed for this expense. The Board is looking into the issue and will provide an answer at the next meeting.

Dan Trepanier would like to have the plat of Village West vacated. It was encouraged that the Township proceed. Motion by Mel and seconded by Beth to approve that this plat be vacated as requested by attorney.

Merlin Vold also had a complaint that kids were riding their motorcycles in the ditches and going over his driveway and messes with the granite fill that he has in place. He was advised that the Township is not liable and cannot proceed with any actions. They were advised to try and get names and/or license numbers of the motorcycles.

Dale Wilson will be bringing a moratorium comprehensive plan for Mostad Lots in the near future.

Gary Boyer who lives on Sullivan Road brought forward a concern regarding the completion of the road. Darren will talk to Cory and Mark Fuller to find out what was stated in regards to completing the pavement issue.

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Road Report:

Sousa Road Resolution – subordinate service district. A public hearing is scheduled for December 12, 2023 to organize SSD and move forward with the process. Motion by Mel, seconded by Darren and approved.

Cartway Rd. The completion of the erosion problem with Cartway will be done on Sunday, November 19, 2023. Information was provided to make sure and look for 2 survey pins on this project.

Monte Plata - Freeberg and Grund completed a full report of this project. A Quit Claim Deed was acquired on the 3 ft of frontage on Sousa road and now the township has 69 ft. Right of Way. It was brought to the Boards Attention that there is a hole in the pavement that needs to be fixed and now that the road has been accepted we can go ahead and remedy this situation. A motion by Darren and seconded by Mel to accept this platted road for maintenance was approved.

Darren reported a “dead end sign” at the end of Werner Road will be replaced.

MAT Conference will be held December 7th – the 9th in St. Cloud. The Motion by Mel, seconded by Beth and approved to send three representatives to this conference.


Fire Report: Mel reported he had attended the October 26 Rural Fire Meeting and indicated the budgets and future costs are rising for Fire Safety.

Announcements: A community potluck will be held on December 10, 2023 at the Community Center from 3 – 5 pm for all community members.

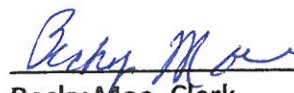
Don reported that the harvesting and/or thinning of the trees on the shooting range located on Jackpine Road will exit on Highway 89. All monies involved with the lumber removed from the property will go back to the County and they will apply the income to planting two rows of trees around the property to help with sound barriers.

Motion by Mel, seconded by Darrin and approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:



Don Hazeman, Chair



Becky Moe, Clerk