

**ECKLES TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
December 13, 2022**

Present: Chairman, Donald Hazeman, Supervisors, Mel Milender, Cory Wilson, Darren Bumgardner and Beth Hendricks; Treasurer, Debra Larson and Clerk Mary Lou Milender.

Public Attendees: Chris Gilbertson, Tatum Gilbertson, Dale Wilson, and Gary Coan.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman, Don Hazeman. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Consent Agenda: Motion by Supervisor Milender to approve the Consent Agenda. Second by Supervisor Wilson. Motion passed unanimously 5-0.

Approval of Agenda: Supervisor Wilson made a motion to approve the December 13, 2022 Agenda. Second by Supervisor Bumgardner. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

VISITORS:

Zach Erickson approached the board regarding his driveway in the Plat of Grassy Knolls. When the plat was approved by Beltrami County 2 lots were recorded with side by side 33 feet easements rather than a road/street. He does not want lots adjacent to the easement, having an address thereon. Matter was taken under advisement until it could be researched further.

ROAD REPORT:

Not all the residents on Cartway Road signed their easement; therefore, Supervisor Bumgardner agreed that he would talk to Matt Murray to see if Matt would accompany him to their homes to get their signatures.

The agreement with Lammer's was reviewed and amendments recommended. Clerk was directed to get the agreement to Lammer's for their review. Motion by Supervisor Wilson, second by Supervisor Bumgardner to request a joint meeting with Lammers Township. That will occur at the Eckles Community Center on January 10th at 6:00 p.m.

Chairman Hazeman announced that Supervisor Milender should get compensation for all the work he does for the community and working with other Townships. Milender informed the board he would not take any money. He feels he is part of the community and is doing his part as a supervisor.

Motion by Supervisor Bumgardner second by Supervisor Henricks to pay \$20,000.00 in advance to Dale Wilson for road material purchased but not delivered because a different contractor was not able to complete work that was required before the material could be delivered. The incomplete work will be finished prior to June 2nd 2023. A Surety Payment Bond is held unto Eckles Township for the \$20,000.00. Motion carried 4-0. Supervisor Wilson abstained.

Several property owners have approached some of the Supervisors asking when their road would be paved. There was no other petition submitted in 2022.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Paul Bunyan Telephone Communications questioned whether we pay for the WIFI in the Community Center by the year or by month. Motion by Supervisor Wilson seconded by Bumgardner to pay up front for a full year which we have done in the past. Motion carried unanimously.

RURAL FIRE:

Supervisor Milender briefed the Board that the new engine is being delivered between December and January. In March or April there will also be a new tender. Wages and operating costs are going up.

The board directed Mel to prepare a multi-family construction Moratorium Resolution for adoption at the January Meeting.

Motion to adjourn by Supervisor Hendricks, seconded by Supervisor Milender. Motion carried unanimously. 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Milender
Township Clerk

Donald Hazeman
Chairman