

ECKLES TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
March 9, 2022

Present: Chairman, Donald Hazeman, Supervisors, Cory Wilson, Mel Milender, Darren Baumgardner, Elizabeth Hendricks. Treasurer Debra Larson and Clerk Mary Lou Milender were also present.

Public Attendees: Donald Wilson, Dale Wilson, & Gary Coan.

Meeting called to order at 7:15 p.m. by Chairman, Don Hazeman. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Consent Agenda: Supervisor Milender made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Second by Supervisor Baumgardner. Motion passed unanimously 5-0.

Approval of Agenda: Supervisor Wilson made a motion to approve the March 9, 2022 Agenda. Second by Supervisor Baumgardner. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

ROAD REPORT:

Mark Fuller presented costs and timelines for getting Balsam Road paved from Eckles to Co 9. Paving estimate is \$183,000, contingency \$18,000.00; design and testing approximately \$10,500.00.

Cost estimates for 2 miles of Eckles Rd from Balsam to Jackpine. Base Construction \$325,000.00, paving \$480,000.00, Contingency of \$80,000.00 & Design/Testing \$79,000.00.

No action was taken.

Motion by Supervisor Wilson, second by Supervisor Milender to move ahead with Eckles Road reconstruction. Motion carried unanimously. 5-0.

This will need to be a bid not a quote due to the estimated cost.

Discussion about a bill the township received from the Beltrami Highway Department wanting us to pay for repair work done on a light that is located at Hwy 89 and Scribner Road intersection. It is not in our ROW; it is in the MNDOT ROW. We did not request or authorize the work. Supervisor Milender will write a letter to the County Engineer and inform him of our review and decision.

An agreement between Eckles Township and the City of Wilton for maintenance of a portion of Scribner Road was discussed. The need for an agreement is the result of annexation of 40 acres abutting said road into Wilton. Supervisor Milender will draft a proposed agreement.

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OTHER:

Donation requests.

Motion by Supervisor Milender, seconded by Chairman Hazeman to donate to the following:
North Country First Responders- \$300.00; Bemidji Sr. Center- \$300.00; Let's Go Fishing - \$200.00; and
Beltrami Co. 4H - \$200.00. Motion carried unanimously. 5-0.

Motion by Supervisor Wilson, seconded by Supervisor Bumgardner to pay \$1,000.00 to the Eckles
Community Center. Motion carried unanimously. 5-0.

The board wants to place a memorial in the Eckles Community Center for remembrance of Ervin Blom.
Supervisor Milender will be in charge of that. Clerk has written the memorial to be placed in the MAT
"Insider."

The board discussed what kind of tables we could purchase for the Community Center pavilion. Motion
by Supervisor Milender and second by Supervisor Bumgardner to not purchase more than 6 tables.
Motion carried unanimously. 5-0. Supervisors will bring suggestions to the April meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Board of Appeal and Equalization Meeting is scheduled for Tues. May 3, 2022 @9:00 a.m.
Community Road Clean-up is scheduled for May 12, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

Ask Brian Olson to attend our April meeting so we can discuss our road cleanup in May.

Motion by Supervisor Wilson, seconded by Supervisor Bumgardner to adjourn. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Milender
Township Clerk

Donald Hazeman
Chairman