

**ECKLES TOWNSHIP
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
May 10, 2022**

Present: Don Hazeman, Cory Wilson, Mel Milender, Darren Baumgardner, Mary Lou Milender, and Debra Larson.

Visitors present: Ernie Beitel, Dale Wilson, Don Wilson, Paul Cronemiller, Chris Gilbertson, Gary Coen and John Schocker.

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

Approval of Consent Agenda: Motion by Supervisor Milender, second by Supervisor Wilson. Motion passed unanimously 4-0.

Approval of Agenda: Supervisor Wilson made a motion to approve the May 10, 2022 Agenda with the additions. Second by Supervisor Milender.

Visitor Ernie Beitel:

Ernie provided information on the two fatalities on Cardinal Road in August of 2021. His presentation is attached to these minutes.

Supervisor Wilson asked Ernie why the FBI and Police Department fire so late into the night at the Sporting Shoot. Ernie informed him that they need to fire in the dark. There is no official control with the Police Department. On occasion they have a makeup night when the club will be shut down.

ROAD REPORT:

Don Wilson asked the board if something could be done on Coyote Road as the ditch fills with snow and it runs in Don's yard. Perhaps a culvert like the one placed by Fast's would help. Coyote and Radar ditches need to be done in a different way.

Quotes for the road material had only one contractor that applied. Motion by Supervisor Milender, seconded by Supervisor Bumgardner to accept the quote from DEW Trucking. Motion carried by 3-1. Supervisor Wilson abstained.

Waste Management informed the township that they want better separation of the garbage and other items before they are placed in the dumpsters.

Joyce Thompson had water in Craig Thompson's place on Radar Road. Supervisor Wilson thinks we may have to put a centerline culvert in on the east side.

Supervisor Wilson informed the board that Sullivan Drive had a washout on the pond.

Signs need to be fixed on the intersection of Mayflower and Eckles Roads.

Who is the contractor that does the seal coating if we chip seal? We should get an estimate, and talk to Enbridge to see if they will help with the costs.

CORRESPONDENCE:

We received a notice of the need for a resolution for the Bemidji Regional Airport to have Eckles Township participate with them in the revision of the Joint Airport Zoning Rules. Their statement provides that Eckles has the right to appoint two persons to the revised Joint Airport Zoning Board. Supervisor Milender participated when it was last revised. The board moved to appoint Supervisor Milender and Chairman Hazeman to represent Eckles Township. Motion by Supervisor Milender, second by Supervisor Bumgardner. Motion carried 4-0.

OTHER:

Gary Coen informed the board that he started the process to annex his commercial property lying in the Township of Eckles into the City of Wilton. Notice of hearing will be the 13th day of June, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the City Council Chambers in Wilton.

Reed Olson wants Eckles Township to host a remote County Board meeting at the Eckles Community Center. The board agreed to try to have it on September, 20, 2022.

Motion by Supervisor Wilson, second by Supervisor Milender to accept the Board of Review minutes. Motion carried. 4-0.

Supervisor Milender has made an arrangement for Eckles Township to purchase new picnic tables for the Community Center.

Motion passed to recess until May 17th.

Motion by Supervisor Milender, second by Supervisor Bumgardner to hold a special meeting on June 7th for the Deerfield First Addition paving project. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Supervisor Bumgardner seconded by Supervisor Milender to recess until 6:00 p.m. on May 17th at the Community Center.

Reconvene on May 17, 2022. No quorum. Meeting was adjourned.

Meeting recessed at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Milender
Township Clerk

Donald Hazeman
Chairman