

**ECKLES TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
RECONVENED MEETING MINUTES  
February 26, 2019**

Present: Don Hazeman, Mel Milender, Cory Wilson, Aaron Dougherty, Elizabeth Hendricks and Mary Lou Milender.

Visitors present: Dennis Berglund, Thore Thorson and Ervin Blom.

Chairman, Don Hazeman reconvened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

One error was found in the minutes from February 12, 2019. The District MAT meeting is being held in Bemidji, not Mahnomen. The mistake was originated in the MAT Insider.

Motion by Cory Wilson, seconded by Beth Hendricks to hold our regular monthly meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> of March. Motion carried unanimously.

MNDOT and Beltrami County has put out information about the snow pushing in ROW. There was some discussion on how the township should inform our residents about this misdemeanor. Whether it should be sent to each resident or placed in the newspapers. Motion by Cory Wilson, seconded by Mel Milender to have it placed in the newspapers. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion about the engineering costs was held. Mark Fuller from Freeberg & Grund informed Supervisor Milender that normal engineering costs are 10-15% of the project costs. The board would like some statement in future contracts that once the engineering costs have been quoted and approved by the board if additional testing or inspection are required it will come from the contractor as a withhold. Under uncommon circumstances or the act of God will be considered. The board has the right to waive the excessive fees due to something out of the ordinary. We will have the MAT attorneys review our verbage before any signatures are placed. The board discussed the advantages of bids vs quotes and decided to proceed wherever possible with quotes. It provides the township with much more flexibility.

Motion by Supervisor Milender, seconded by Supervisor Dougherty to forward the quote to get it done on the proposed timeline. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Milender apprised the board of the joint Rural Fire Department meeting on Thursday, March 28, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Cory Wilson, seconded by Mel Milender to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Milender  
Clerk

Donald Hazeman  
Chairman