

New Market Township
Regular Monthly Meeting
October 2, 2012

Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Members Present: Chlan, Helmberger, Silverness, Larson, Popovich, Frame and Clausen

Pledge of Allegiance

Bob Ruppe – New Market Township Attorney – was present to introduce himself and to answer any questions the Board may have. There were questions on the fire contract, Cap X, wind generation, roads, and road signs. Mr. Ruppe offered advice to the Board's satisfaction.

Sheriff's report – Calls are declining, only 66 in September and they were mostly vehicle complaints.

The minutes from the September 4, 2012 meeting were read. Motion by Chlan to approve the minutes from the September 4, 2012 meeting . Seconded by Silverness, motion passed, all in favor.

Treasure's report was presented. Motion by Chlan to approve the Treasure's report as presented. Seconded by Popovich, motion passed, all in favor.

Update on 255th St – New Prague School would like a 70 ft radius cul-de-sac. The Board would like to stay within the 66 ft right of way. Motion by Chlan to build a T turn around contingent on getting a temporary construction easement from the land owners. Seconded by Popovich, motion passed, all in favor.

Supreme Outdoors Co. - Dan Eischens requesting approval to install an advertising sign at the north end of the Township along the Interstate. This will involve moving a sign farther south to obtain the required distance between signs. Motion by Helmberger to approve the request providing Supreme Outdoors meets all of the County and State requirements. Seconded by Chlan, motion passed, all in favor.

Tom Wolf – Scott County Commissioner – News from the County, ENM Service Center is now open, Cty Rd 27 study will be completed during 2013, roundabout at Cty Rd 29 and Cty Rd 46 is scheduled to be completed in 2013, Cty Rd 8 from the Dakota County line to Cty Rd 91 to be reconstructed in 2014, Cty Rd 2 and Cty Rd 46 roundabout to be completed in 2014

Open Quotes for winter maintenance. Request for quotes were published two times in the New Prague Times and the Lakeville Times. Two quotes were received. Quote from Thomas Trucking for the as needed snow plowing and sanding. \$89.00 per hour for a single axle dump truck with plow and \$67.00 per hour for a pick-up truck with plow. Quote from Chlan Grading was for leasing the Township equipment and Chlan Grading furnishing the fuel, insurance, and operators. Quote for the grader is \$54.00 per hour plus \$40.00 to lease the grader for a total of \$94.00 per hour. Quote for the truck was \$56.00 per hour with no lease charge.

Motion by Larson to adopt the resolution authorizing contract with interested officer and award the contract to Chlan Grading. Seconded by Helmberger, motion failed, Helmberger and Silverness voted yes, Popovich and Larson voted no. Chlan abstained. To allow a contract to a supervisor with a potential conflict of interest it has to be a unanimous vote in favor with the interested supervisor abstaining.

Motion by Helmberger to contract with Thomas Trucking for as needed snow plowing. Rate being \$89.00 per hour for the single axle truck and \$67.00 per hour for the pick-up truck with plow. Seconded by Popovich, motion passed, all in favor.

Great River Energy, Chubb Lake Substation – Appealing the decision at the September 4, 2012 meeting requiring Great River Energy to mitigate their wetlands on their own property. They cannot meet the side slope requirement if done on site. Motion by Chlan to allow Great River Energy to use the wetland bank. Seconded by Popovich. Discussion by the Board – Mr. Dyrter was asked if a small land owner would get the same deal. The answer was yes. Motion called, motion passed, Chlan, Silverness, Larson, and Popovich voted yes, Helmberger abstained.

Matt Olson – Requesting information developing the late Bill Olson property. The Board suggested he check with Scott County Planning for what options are available.

Owens Property – Requesting approval of floating bridge wetland crossing on their property in section five. Motion by Chlan to approve the floating bridge plan. Seconded by Popovich, motion passed, all in favor.

Grader Cost Study – Popovich presented the results of his study. For the five years the Township has owned the grader the per hour cost of operating the grader has varied from \$98.00 per hour to \$118.00 per hour with the present value of the grader figured into the results. Motion by Popovich to accept the figures as accurate. Seconded by Silverness, motion passed, all in favor.

Motion by Helmberger to approve the resolution adopting special assessments for Woodland Ridge lighting. Seconded by Silverness, motion passed, Silverness, Helmberger, Popovich, and Larson voted yes. Chlan absent. The Township pays the monthly electricity charges and assesses the home owners for the cost.

250th Street update – The Township Engineer estimated a cost of \$455,207.00 for upgrading the two miles between Cty Rd 91 and Cty Rd 27. Needs more study.

Traffic Counters – The cost will be \$500.00 for two days of rental. Also discussed was the possibility of joining other Townships and sharing the cost of purchasing traffic counters. No decisions.

Geeg Aaker – A Township resident read an open letter to the Board. Letter being critical of the Board on the way the monthly meetings have been conducted.

Mike Huntington – A Township resident addressed the board concerning the cost of the grader in the future if the Township continues to own it.

Call for Old Business – None

Call for New Business – Cal Tanbeski – a Township resident would like to use the Town Hall two times per month for Girl Scout meetings. He was informed by the Board that all non-profit groups have to pay the \$100.00 per day fee to rent the Hall. Mr. Tanbeski declined the offer.

Joe Skluzacek – A Township land owner addressed the Board on his disappointment in not approving the resolution authorizing contract with interested officer.

Motion by Larson to review claims and pay bills. Seconded by Popovich, Larson, Popovich and Helmberger voted yes, Chlan and Silverness absent.

Motion by Larson to adjourn the October monthly meeting at 11:35 PM. Seconded by Popovich, motion passed, Larson, Popovich and Helmberger voted yes. Chlan and Silverness absent.

Approve:

Chairperson

Clerk

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Claims:

6079	\$ 600.00	Pedersen Farms – Building rent
6080	\$ 49.40	Fish Rock Inc - Fuel, lawn mower
6081	\$ 85.00	Town & Country Septic – Park rest room
6082	\$ 73.83	Merry Maids - Hall cleaning
6083	\$ 3400.00	Northfield Ambulance – Annual ambulance fee
6084	\$ 126.00	ECM Publishers - Publish quotes for winter maint
6085	\$ 745.40	S E H – Engineering charges for Great River wetland
6086	\$ 273.26	MVEC – Electricity, hall 252.03 park 21.23
6087	\$ 1086.69	U.S. Treasury - 3rd qtr FICA
6088	\$ 122.96	P E R A - 3 rd qtr PERA
6089	\$ 2148.03	Chlan Grading – September grading
6090	\$ 165.11	Ken Chlan - Payroll
6091	\$ 6.66	Ken Chlan - Expenses
6092	\$ 172.18	Becky Larson - Payroll
6093	\$ 66.60	Becky Larson - Expenses
6094	\$ 698.19	LeRoy Clausen - Payroll
6095	\$ 73.04	LeRoy Clausen - Expenses
6096	\$ 549.50	David Frame - Payroll
6097	\$ 133.73	David Frame - Expenses
6098	\$ 344.38	George Silverness - Payroll
6099	\$ 108.35	George Silverness - Expenses
6100	\$ 82.45	Dakota Electric – Woodland Ridge lights
6101	\$ 391.55	Marko Popovich - Payroll
6102	\$ 240.59	Joel Helmberger Payroll
6103	\$ 183.21	Joel Helmberger - Expenses
6104	\$ 14.75	Mn Energy Resources – Hall gas
6105	\$ 22.54	P E R A – Correction to payment Ck # 6088
6106	\$ 208.99	Integra – Hall tele

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