

MARCH 10, 2009

Clerk called the meeting to order at 8:35 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance

The Clerk called for nominations for Moderator.

Motion by Zweber to nominate Ken Chlan, seconded by Frame.

Motion by Frame to nominate Doug Quast, seconded by Bill Gallagher.

The Clerk called 3 times for more nominations, there were none and declared that nominations cease.

Paper ballots were handed out for the people to vote. After the count the results were, 19 votes for Quast and 4 votes for Chlan. Doug Quast was declared the moderator.

The Moderator read the minutes from the March 11, 2008 Annual Meeting. Motion by Chlan to approve the minutes as read, seconded by Macho, motion called, motion carried.

Next, the Annual Election results were announced --

For Supervisor -- Leroy Clausen --- 63 votes      Joel Helmberger 143 votes

For Treasurer -- David Frame --- 166 votes      all others 16 votes.

Joel Helmberger was elected to be Supervisor for a 3 year term.

David Frame was elected Treasurer for a 2 year term.

Next was the Township road report given by Leroy Clausen as follows:

1. The following roads got gravel in 2008.

270th St. from Zane Ave. to Nevada Ave, 270th St. from Cty 46 to Dupont Ave.

Dupont Ave. from Cty Rd 2 to Cty 46, 250th St. from Dupont Ave. to Cty line.

250th St. from Cty 91 to Cty 87, 247th St. and Beard Ct. Beard Ave north to 62.

230th St. from Sweeny Lane to Dakota Ave. and Irving Ave. was graveled twice.

2. The following roads are due for gravel this year 2009.

Nevada Ave. Lyndale Ave. Glocca Morra Dr., Zane Ave. Vernon Blvd. and Vernon Ave.

259th St. 255th St. Dakota Ave between Cty 2 and Cty 62, Dakota Ave. north of 230th.

228th and Red Fox Dr., 275th off of Cty 46 and Penn Ave. and Logan Way East.

3. Seal Coating was done on the following roads.

Kay Dr. Rice Lake Dr. Black Walnut Dr. 241st St. Grandview Way and Grandview Trl.

4. Crack Sealing was done on the following roads.

Hunters Ridge Rd, Deer Haven Ct, Pheasant Run Ct, Emerald Lane and Opal Ave.

5. Dug out and resurfaced bad spots on Forest Ridge Dr. & Forest Cr.

Repaired hole on Livery Lane and broken curbing on Plateau Dr.

Did complete resurfacing on Skyline Circle & back parking lot of Townhall by Chard Tiling & Excav. and 267th and Dodd Blvd. by McNamara Inc.

6. Replaced culverts on Beard Ave. and Xerxes Ave.

7. Dug out rocks on Xerxes Ave. and 235th St.

8. Installed yield sign at Penn and Logan Way.

9. Extra rock was placed on bad spots on 230th St, Dupont Ave. and on Zane Ave.

10. Dust Coating -- 150 to 200 ft. in front of each home. Extra dust coating was done on Penn Ave. and on Logan Way. The residents paid for the extra.

11. The Township purchased a Ford 9000 truck for snow plowing and sanding.

Next, Mr. Clausen reported on the Fire Department --

The 2008 budget was \$164,000.00. The 2009 budget is \$245,632.00. The Townships share of this is \$132,256.00 approximately 53%, down from 55%. A question was asked about the raise. Were told that the City needs to purchase new first responder vehicles. That is the only motor equipment involved, the rest is for Firefighter equipment and clothing, wages and pensions, computer supplies etc. Question asked was as to what they base this amount on. Were told that it is based on the valuations of residences in the Township and as the City grows their valuation will be going up and then the per-cent that the Township pays will decrease.

Old Business -- someone asked about the web-site and what was on it. It is [www.newmarkettownship.com](http://www.newmarkettownship.com). on it are the Supervisor and Clerk contacts, meeting dates coming up and the monthly minutes after approval. Someone asked about the meeting agenda. Were told that very few call before the day of the meeting to be on the agenda.

Another question asked was if there was a suggestion box? Here Mr. Kavouras stated that the web-site was just fine as it is. That we need not spend any more money for other than the basic information that is on the site now, leave it as it is.

Next, was brought up about the Park. Mr. Kavouras brought up about lighting the Park so to maybe prevent vandalism and other misdoings, they agreed that this will have to be done.

Ken Chlan gave a report on what the Park costs have been up to now, approximately \$235,000.00. Doug Quast talked about a picnic shelter that will be put up, what size etc.

Ken Chlan also had price and size for one. Cattie Lowry gave a nice request for the Girl Scouts to put up bird houses as one of their projects. All agreed that it was a very nice jester and would be a good idea. There was more discussion about the up-keep of the walking path and grass and that maybe a lawn mower would be needed etc. This will be looked into this coming season.

Next, where to publish the Township legals. Motion by Frame to use the same two places The New Prague Times and the Lakeville Life & Times, seconded by Mattox, motion called, motion carried.

Motion by Helmberger to add the Web-site to this, www.newmarkettownship.com, seconded by Kavouras, motion called, motion carried.

New Business -- the Levies

Road & Bridge - proposed \$350,000.00 must levy at least \$298,107.00 to get the aid. There was a lot of discussion here about how the chlorine or dust control gets put on the gravel roads and why they just dont do the whole road, it is too expensive. What to do about the traffic that goes too fast on these gravel roads and kick up dust and gravel as dogs are being walked. One suggestion was to put up signs to slow down. Also asked was how much money was left in the fund and how much gets spent every year. The yearly expense is around \$400,000.00, the account now has about \$185,000.00.

Motion by Mahoney to levy \$350,000.00 for Road & Bridge, seconded by Helmberger, motion called, motion carried.

General Fund - proposed \$100,000.00

Motion by Zweber to levy \$100,000.00 for the General Fund, seconded by Chlan, question asked was whats in the General Fund. Balance approx. \$41,000.00 includes some driveway money yet and Escrows. Someone said that the Park Fund is minus \$43,000.00 and that has to come out of here, so instead of a Park levy we should just raise the General Fund levy. There was a lot of discussion here. motion was called to levy \$100,000.00 for the General Fund, motion carried. (see page 4)

Fire Fund - proposed \$100,000.00

The Fire contract and budget had been explained earlier and what the Township share would be. Motion by Helmberger to levy \$100,000.00 for the Fire Fund, seconded by Silverness,

motion called, motion carried.

Ambulance Fund -- proposed \$5,000.00

Motion by Mahoney to levy \$5,000.00 for the Ambulance Fund, seconded by John Macho,

motion called, motion carried.

Moderator asked about any other business, here they went back to the Park Fund and what to do for the extra money that will be needed if we already are minus \$43,000.00.

We need to put in lighting, a shelter and walking path and grass up-keep etc. There was a lot of discussion here about a possible Bond or Park Levy.

Motion by Frame to levy \$50,000.00 more for the General Fund to take care of the minus balance in the Park Fund, seconded by Zweber, motion called, motion carried.

No other business presented, motion by Zweber to adjourn the Annual Meeting of

March 10, 2009 at 10:35 p.m., seconded by Chlan, motion called, motion carried.

Albert Zweber

Moderator

Township Clerk