## Clitherall Township Regular Monthly Meeting March 7, 2024

The regular monthly meeting of the Clitherall Township Board was called to order by Chairman Craig Bengtson at 7:00 pm at Battle Lake City Hall. The following board members were present: Craig Bengtson, Kevin Anderson, Tom Frank, Miranda Van Santen, and Becky Cox; Clinton Bengtson was also in attendance. Four community members were present.

Proposed agenda was presented and approved (Anderson/Frank). Motion carried unopposed.

<u>Clerk's Report:</u> Mail and correspondence presented for review. Election update was given.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Van Santen gave the February Financial Report. Grand total of all accounts: \$379,203.10 Motion to approve report (Anderson/Frank). Motion carried unopposed.

Motion to approve payment of check numbers 7148 through 7171 in the amount of \$33,466.26 (Frank/Anderson). Motion carried unopposed.

**Motor Patrol:** Discussion regarding additional payment required. Nothing further to report.

**<u>Fire Department:</u>** Annual meeting is scheduled for March 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Road Report:** Review of invoices from Christensen's for work done in the past few years. Nothing further to report.

**Planning Commission:** Nothing to report.

<u>Veteran's Park:</u> Clinton reported that he has received names of four additional veterans to add to the wall. Four trees will be planted at the park this spring. The park will likely be opening sometime in April.

<u>Building Permits:</u> One permit requested for an existing shed to be moved onto 18132 South Clitherall Lake Trail (Benson). One permit requested for construction of a shed located on Little Mo Road (Cox).

**Approach Permits:** None.

<u>Old business:</u> One bid was received from John Hansen for tree and brush removal and one bid from Earl Strande for gravel. No ditch mowing bids have been received. Bengtson will contact additional gravel suppliers.

Received report that ditch along 189<sup>th</sup> has brush that needs to be removed. Frank will follow-up.

Bengtson and/or Anderson will attend the Noxious Weed Meeting on March 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am.

**New business:** Agenda and handouts for the upcoming Annual Meeting reviewed.

<u>Open Forum for Public Comment:</u> Discussion regarding benefits of the Motor Patrol acquiring a second blade.

Motion to approve the Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes dated March 7, 2024, as written. (Frank/Anderson). Motion carried unopposed.

Meeting recessed at 7:52 p.m. until March 12<sup>th</sup> for the Canvass Board meeting following the Annual Meeting; March 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am for the West Otter Tail County Soil & Water Noxious Weed Meeting; March 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm for the Battle Lake Area Fire and Rescue Annual Meeting; and March 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am for the MAT Short Course in Alexandria.

Meeting reconvened at 7:54 pm. Van Santen notified the Board that she is resigning as Treasurer, effective March 13th. Board approved the request. Meeting recessed at 7:59 pm pursuant to the above events.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Cox Clitherall Township Clerk