

Clitherall Township
Regular Monthly Meeting
September 8, 2022

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, Keith Baldwin, Linda Nelson and Becky Cox. Community member was in attendance. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Proposed agenda was presented. Baldwin made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Bengtson. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Mail and correspondence presented for review. The Board recognized that Rita Loftness received an award from the Minnesota Lakes and Rivers Association for her efforts to keep Clitherall Lake clear and healthy.

Nelson gave the August Treasurer's Report. Grand total of all accounts \$232,952.75. Motion to approve report by Anderson, second by Baldwin. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried. Motion by Baldwin to approve payment of check numbers 6843 through 6857 in the amount of \$14,078.20. Second by Anderson. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Nelson reported on the balance of the escrow account for the Anderson Brothers Interim Use matter. Nelson will return the balance of the escrow funds by the October regular meeting as all conditions have been met.

Bengtson reported on the Motor Patrol overhead doors which have not yet been installed. All snowplow drivers are returning for the upcoming winter season. Discussion regarding hours spent on blading, patrolling and mechanical work. Anderson requested that the Board be provided with a map each month to track where blading had been done.

Discussion regarding the option to have a new website created through MAT. Bengtson noted that the current contract for website services ends in December.

Anderson reported that the new battery powered JAWS unit should arrive in October. Various donations from area Lions clubs and individuals have been received to defray the cost.

Discussion regarding the August road inspection.

Baldwin reported that he will speak with the Township attorney regarding updating our zoning map to include more specific distances on locations and boundaries.

Clinton Bengtson reported on quotes he received for specific projects at the Veterans Park. Bengtson inquired whether a budget could be established for the various projects. He also announced one new veteran who made a donation, and reported that the donation sign needs to be updated to add additional donors. The sign would need to be updated by Signworks. Clinton also has a soldiers' uniform from WWII that he would like to display in a glass case.

After discussion regarding the priority of the projects and financial concerns, motion by Baldwin to approve the concrete slab and signage with a maximum of \$1600 spent on both projects. The well and landscape plants will be revisited in the springtime. Clinton will ask Swedbergs to put us on the list for next spring. Seconded by Anderson. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Bengston reported on additional ditch spraying by Carr's. Results were overall satisfactory.

The following road improvement projects were discussed:

Crane Lake Drive: No action at this time.

Antler Trail culvert: No action at this time.

South Clitherall Lake Trail: Blading has been done but no gravel has been hauled in yet. Road inspection is necessary before moving forward. Road inspection is scheduled for September 23, 2022 at 5:30 pm.

Old Business:

402nd Avenue road vacation: Cox reported on the status of the road vacation and alteration petition. A draft resolution has been provided that sets forth the procedure for the setting and noticing of the required public hearing. Bengston informed the Board that the Resolution covers the entirety of 402nd Avenue and would resolve any similar issues in the future. Discussion as to the identification of all abutting property owners. Cox will confirm with attorney that Resolution includes Government Lot #1, after which the Board will meet to approve the Resolution.

New business:

One building permit request was received.

Open Forum for Public Comment: None.

Motion made by Bengston to approve the Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes dated September 8, 2022, as written; second by Anderson. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Meeting recessed until September 15, 2022 at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Cox
Clitherall Township Clerk