

## **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING**

### **March 4, 2015**

The March Monthly Meeting of the Fairview Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 6:30 PM in the Fairview Town Hall on Wednesday, March 4, 2015 by Chairman Jim Weizenegger with the Pledge of Allegiance. Other Board members in attendance were Supervisors Walt Richmond and Tom Dechmann, Clerk Marla Yoho and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Sharon Owen.

Richmond/ Dechmann/ Unanimous: Motion to accept the **Minutes of the February Monthly Meeting** as presented.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sharon reported the following month-end balances in the Township accounts: \$115,099.45 in Checking and \$177,437.45 in Money Market funds. Road & Bridge CDs total \$79,212.55 and the Community Projects CD is \$43,101.65. **Revenues for February totaled \$18,469.89** (\$4.92 interest, \$266.14 Electricity & Gas Reimbursement, \$18,198.83 Gas Tax; **Expenditures totaled \$8,213.88** (\$5,720.00 Road & Bridge, \$440.00 Fire; and \$2,053.88 General Gov't expenses).

Dechmann/ Richmond/ Unanimous: Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.

#### **Road Report:**

After the snow falls on February 10<sup>th</sup> and March 3<sup>rd</sup>, Tom checked on the plowing. He called Jon to advise him that the roads needed to be winged back since the snow was up to 4 ft. from the mailboxes in some spots.

#### **Fire Report:**

The Pillager Fire Dept. fought a house fire on February 25<sup>th</sup> for 6 hours. The new fresh air compressor got quite a workout since they had to fill the SCBA tanks 45 times just to fight the fire.

The Fire Assoc. voted to take the excess 2014 funds and spend it towards paying down the truck loan. Colleen Putnam is going to provide a summary of the amounts still owed on each truck and estimate how long they have left to pay.

The Fire Assoc. took in about \$80,000 in grants and donations during 2014. About \$20,000 of that amount came from the Firemen's Relief pull tabs, which donates about 50% of their proceeds to the Assoc.

The Fire Dept. is planning to conduct a practice house burn about mid-April in Homebrook.

This month the Fire Dept. was paged to 6 medical calls in East Gull Lake. Randy is working with the Cass County dispatcher to try and get it corrected.

The bridge south of Pillager is going to be out of service for about 6 weeks while it is being resurfaced. Rosing Township is located on the south side of the bridge. Randy is working with some of the surrounding areas to provide some backup coverage.

There were 21 runs in February, including 3 medical calls to Ski Gull and 6 medical calls in East Gull Lake.

The 2015 fire assessment for Fairview will be reduced by almost \$5,000 due to the EGL contract proceeds.

Jim Akerson is the new Fire Board liaison from May Township.

#### **Old Business:**

**Birch Bay Lawsuit:** Township attorney, Ken Bayliss, has filed a Response to the Petition to Vacate suit filed by the Birch Bay RV Resort which brought many of the statements in the original court filing into question. He has informed us that both attorneys have agreed to reschedule the hearing to some point up to 3 months in the future. Ken will advise us of the exact date as soon as it is set.

The Agate Lake Assn. has hired an attorney, Mark Severson, who will be coordinating his defense with Ken. There still is no word on the actual plans for this property or on the new owners.

#### **New Business:**

##### **Board of Audit:**

The board supervisors reviewed the checkbook, bank statements, financial reports and claims from 2014.

Richmond/ Dechmann/ Unanimous: Motion to approve the finances and cash records of 2014 as presented to the Board of Audit. (Aye: Richmond, Dechmann, Weizenegger)

#### **Annual Meeting Plans:**

The Board discussed the township finances and the need to build up the Fire Reserve Fund as recommended CliftonLarsonAllen in the last Internal Audit. They will be making a recommendation to increase the 2016 Levy by 3.5% from which should amount to about \$9,950.

**Clerk's Report:**

**Road Review:** The board set the 2014 Road Review for Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM. They will reconvene after the Board of Review (1:00 PM on Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup>) if necessary.

Dechmann/ Richmond/Unanimous: Motion to approve payment of all Claims as submitted. (Aye: Richmond, Dechmann, Weizenegger).

10315	Crow Wing Power	Electricity 1/15-2/15	164.00
20315	CTC	Internet Access	44.95
30315	CenturyLink	Telephone	73.64
40315	Xcel Energy	Natural Gas 1/14-2/13	243.87
50315	PERA	Retirement	155.78
60315	Minnesota Revenue	1st Quarter Withholding	42.27
70315	US Treasury	1st Quarter Withholding	226.38
3844	Frontline Plus Inc	Warning Siren Maint Contract	800.00
3845	Minn Assn of Townships	Short Course	50.00
3846	Minn Assn of Townships	Short Course	50.00
3847	Minn Assn of Townships	Short Course	50.00
3848	Minn Assn of Townships	Short Course	50.00
3849	Minnesota Benefit Assn	Group Life Insurance	805.00
3850	Tom Dechmann	1st Quarter Mileage	51.76
3851	Sharon Owen	1st Quarter Mileage	110.41
3852	Walt Richmond	1st Quarter Mileage	65.55
3853	Jim Weizenegger	1st Quarter Mileage	28.75
3854	Marla Yoho	1st Qtr Supp, Comp, Mileage, Post	243.19
3855	Tom Dechmann	Admin to 3/4/15	166.05
3856	Sharon Owen	Admin to 3/4/15	251.99
3857	Walt Richmond	Admin to 3/4/15	233.87
3858	Jim Weizenegger	Admin to 3/4/15	116.94
3859	Marla Yoho	Admin to 3/4/15	409.06
		TOTAL	\$4,383.46

Richmond/ Dechmann/ Unanimous: Motion to close the meeting at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marla Yoho, Clerk

Chairman, Jim Weizenegger