

La Crescent Township  
Monthly Meeting Minutes  
June 8, 2020

**Final Approved**

Township Board Members Present:

Bob Schuldt                      Jason Wieser                      Tom Tornstrom -absent  
Dan Brodigan                      Wayne Oliver-absent  
Karen Schuldt

Chairman Bob Schuldt called the June monthly meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present. Clerk Karen Schuldt took the roll call.

4. Approval of Agenda: **Dan Brodigan made a motion to approve the agenda with as presented, Jason Wieser seconded, motion carried.**

5. Minutes of May 11, 2020 Regular Meeting: **Jason Wieser made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Dan Brodigan seconded, motion carried.**

6. Visitors/Speakers to Address the Board: Dick Walter, member of the La Crescent Historical Society and Don Thesing president of the Society addressed the board on the La Crescent Area Historical Society's 1832 Boone Expedition project. Dick gave the history of the Clark Expedition and the survey with a map and handouts. The La Crescent Historical Society are proposing putting a kiosk on the Wagon Wheel Trail and one on Northside of Skunk Hollow Road. The specific location for the sign is on the original north line of the Neutral Ground which was surveyed by Nathan Boone. The area would need a culvert, gravel and a concrete pad in front of the kiosk. Dick indicated they are trying to get a grant from the legacy fund and the MN Historical, but are looking for a monetary donation from the township. Dick received a quote from Schulte Concrete at a cost of \$2,160.00. Don Thesing advised they are also asking the City for a donation to help with the costs of the kiosk at Shore Acres. **Dan Brodigan made a motion to pay \$1,080.00 out of our road & bridge fund to put towards the culvert and concrete pad on Skunk Hollow Road, Jason seconded, motion carried. Jason Wieser made a motion to direct Bob to sign the letter of support for the La Crescent Historical Society, Dan Brodigan, seconded, motion carried.**

Teresa Walter inquired when the mowing was going to start because the wild parsnip is starting to go to seed. Bob indicated the mowing should start this week depending on the rain.

7. Treasurers Report: **Jason Wieser made a motion to approved the Treasurers report as presented, Dan Brodigan seconded, motion carried.**

9. Clerk Report: Karen advised she needed signatures on the resolution which was passed at our April meeting that allowed us to hold our meeting with Zoom during governor Tim Walz executive order. Karen reported we received our annual household population from

the State Demographic Center. Our 2019 population estimate is 1,085 and the household estimate is 483. Olivia Denny, Houston County Emergency Management Director sent a letter reference the semi-annual inspection of our 2-way siren at town hall. The siren passed on all grades and is working normally.

10. Other or Old Business: Jason reported he received two quotes for the salt storage building from Wieser Brothers. One quote is for a hoop structure and the other a pole framed structure. The hoop structure is \$92,859.00 and the pole structure is \$66,855.00. The proposals provide labor, material and equipment necessary to construct a 40'W X40'L x 16'H with three-sided structure with the east side of structure being open to drive in an out. Jason reached out to four different contractors. Wieser Brothers and Brian Olson were the only ones that got back to him, though he never received a quote back from Olson. Following discussion; **Dan Brodigan made a motion to accept the quote for the salt & sand shed for \$66,855.00 pole shed and with the recommendation that the demolition is included in the cost, Bob Schuldt seconded, motion carried.**

Bob advised the county is all moved out from the shop and did take the air compressor, so we'll need to look into purchasing one. Travis Zenke and Bob Mach were looking into why there is no water pressure at town hall. Dan gave an update that there was a rock that ended up in the pipe and there is lots of pressure now. Dan met with a locksmith to get all the doors rekeyed the same and will work with getting the rubber replaced on our front door, back door and getting the remotes programed. Dan will look into purchasing the air compressor.

10. Supervisors Report: Jason reported the water is going over the road on N. Pine Creek Rd past the Butz residence. Jason took a shovel and dug a ditch and took care of it for now. Bob advised Zenke is going to be taking care of N. Pine Creek Rd. and also the locations on Town Hall Rd. Bob reported Jim Humfeldt 4240 Paar St. has a culvert that is either separated or band/split that has a good wash. The area is midway in the middle right before you drive into his driveway. Bob advised Mr. Humfeldt indicated when they put that subdivision in, all the homeowners paid for the culverts initially and the township would then take care of them after that. Bob indicated he did some research on it and that is what it sounds like. Mr. Humfeldt concreted his driveway 5-6 year ago and also concreted all the way to the road edge. Bob obtained three estimates, Bennett Brothers, Green Acres and Kale Schulte Concrete. Feeling of the board was to do a cost share if Mr. Humfeldt wanted concrete back over the right away versus gravel/cold mix. **Jason Wieser made a motion to go with quote from Bennett Brothers, Dan Brodigan seconded, motion carried.** Bob will meet with Jim about the cost share. Bob reported Brandon Wieser is now mowing Wieser park for the township. Also, Kathy Beardmore with the church group are still planning on painting out at Wieser park. Bob reported Doug Geode sent an email saying the hillside along his property at 1974 Forester Rd is sliding into the road. Dan will reach out to Don Heintz and Bennett Bros.

11. Bills for Audit: **Dan Brodigan made a motion to accept the bills as presented,**

**Jason Wieser seconded, motion carried**

**12. Adjournment: Jason Wieser made a motion to adjourn at approximately 8:10 pm, Dan Brodigan seconded.**

Respectfully Submitted, Karen Schuldt, La Crescent Township Clerk