La Crescent Township Monthly Meeting Minutes September 9, 2019

Final Approved

Township Board Members Present:

Bob Schuldt Jason Wieser Tom Tornstrom

Dan Brodigan Wayne Oliver Greg Schuber- township attorney

Karen Schuldt

Chairman Bob Schuldt called the September 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 as presented, Wayne Oliver seconded, motion carried.
- 5. Minutes of August 12, 2019 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: Bob Cummings questioned the status of the payment for the damaged curb stop on Crescent Hills. Chairman Schuldt updated the board that the township's insurance has denied the claim. A copy of the denial letter was provided to the board. Dan Wilson advised the board they are currently locating the well shut offs and will get them all marked. Feeling of the board was to pay the bill this one time and have our township attorney send a letter to the well trust advising them that this is a one-time situation where we will pay for the damage and that all the private utilities placed by their well trust will need to be marked. The township will not be liable for any future damage. Following discussion; Wayne Oliver made a motion to pay the bill in full and have our township attorney sent a letter to the well association, Tom Tornstrom seconded, motion carried.
- 7. Treasurers Report: Chairman Schuldt advised we still don't have the treasurer position filled and are still moving forward to having it on the ballot for the annual March Election. It will be on the ballot as a hired position or continue with an elected position. In the interim we are using Larry Jankowksi CPA office and they are providing the monthly reports to us. **Tom Tornstrom made a motion to approve the Treasurers report as presented, Wayne Oliver seconded, motion carried.**
- 8. Clerk Report: Karen reported the township received a check from the City of La Crescent in the amount of \$2,768.13 for taxes on 9 properties there were annexed into the City. Discussion was held on annexation and the amount of tax base the township receives from a property being annexed. Wayne would like to see the township enter in to discussions again with the city on annexations. Wayne and Bob will reach out to the city.

- 9. Other or Old Business. Discussion was held on the proposed contract with the county for the town hall building. Jason updated the board that Wieser Brothers are currently working on getting us a quote for a new salt shed and another option of a pole shed with a concrete floor and moving the holding tanks. Jason reported Wieser Brothers are going to cable up the current building to get us through this year. Bob will reach out to Brian at the county about getting all our equipment in the building for the winter.

 Bob reported Zenke did do a patch on North Pine Creek Rd area by the golf course where there was a slide. Houston County did qualify for some federal money, so we submitted for that and hopefully we will get reimbursed for some of it. Wayne gave an update on MPC and how the maps are done by the Census. MPC are currently reviewing the maps and will get back to us.
- 10. Supervisors Report: Wayne advised he is working on the website. We just need another authorization letter with a current date sent in. Karen will email Wayne a revised letter. Tom reported he received a call about a tree down on N. Pine Creek Rd. The tree was already taken care of when he drove out there. Bob reported from last month that he reached out to Bennett Bros. and Green Acres to get a quote for snowplowing Pfeffer Valley Rd. The only quote we received back was from Bennett Bros. The quote was for \$120 per time plowed and \$100 per yard for sand/salt mix. The road will be plowed when the snow depth is greater than 1" and during continual snowfall the road will be plowed every 4". Sand/salt mix will be spread at the end of each snow event. Jason Wieser made a motion to accept the quote from Bennett Bros, Dan Brodigan seconded, motion carried. Dan and Jason nothing further report.
- 11. Bills for Audit: Tom Tornstrom made a motion to accept the bills as presented, Dan Brodigan seconded, motion carried
- 12. Adjournment: Dan Brodigan made a motion to adjourn at approximately 8:08 pm, Tom Tornstrom seconded, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Karen Schuldt, La Crescent Township Clerk