

La Crescent Township
Monthly Meeting Minutes
November 18, 2019

Final Approved

Township Board Members Present:

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

Chairman Bob Schuldt called the November 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: **Tom Tornstrom made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, Jason Wieser seconded, motion carried.**

5. Minutes of October 14, 2019 Regular Meeting: **Tom Tornstrom made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Dan Brodigan seconded, motion carried.**

6. Visitors/Speakers to Address the Board: Sheldon McElhiney with Mound Prairie Township addressed the board that they are looking at ways to reduce their overall plowing cost in the winter. One area that they've identified that is problematic for them is having Houston County plow a couple roads that they currently use as a cut across between County Rd 25 and 6. The proposal from Mound Prairie Twp. is they have Ledebuhr, a private contractor that they are using and would like to expand his services to include Evans Hill Rd the top portion, and one mile of Tschumper Rd that is Mound Prairie Twp. Mound Prairie Twp. is wondering if the township would consider using Ledebuhr as the contractor to plow the portions of those roads that are in La Crescent Township. Sheldon presented a cost sheet to the board. Paul Ledebuhr owner/operator of Ledebuhr was present. The feeling of the board was to continue with the County for this winter and take a closer look at it in the Spring.

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 Jankowski CPA office and they are providing the monthly reports to us. **Jason Wieser made a motion to approve the Treasurers report as presented by the clerk, Wayne Oliver seconded, motion carried.**

8. Clerk Report: Karen reported the township received a letter from Amelia at the county looking for an annual township report for weeds this year. The information was given to Wayne.

9. Other or Old Business. Bob updated the board that he got a call from Brian Pogodzinski and Pat Burns and also Chris that they are going to try to do some shuffling around to get things in the building at Town Hall. Bob added he stopped at Town Hall

and nothing has changed. The board went through the current proposed contract line by line. Following discussion board directed the building committee of Bob & Jason to meet with the county and propose the following:

- Salt building cost 2/3 county – 1/3 township
- Rent \$12 a square foot – with county getting one bay- front for twp and half of back shop
- 10 year lease with no rent on the salt shed
- No cost share on building one (shop buildings)
- Same shared space lot etc.
- 50% cost share for repaving the parking lot
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Dan Brodigan made a motion to meet with the county and present the proposal to the county, Wayne Oliver seconded, motion carried.

Wayne reported we currently own the La Crescent Township MN .gov website. Bob reported he and Dan met with Zenke and the first part is done on the first hill on N Pine Creek Rd. Bob and Dan also met with Zenke and the County Engineer on the area by hole #7 by the golf course. Zenke is hoping to get that done yet this month. That slide did happen during the July rain event were the county had money available from the state, so Bob added he submitted for that so hopefully we will get the 75/25 split on that. Also, N Pine Creek is up for seal coating next year and there are a lot of sways and valleys so it's going to be pretty expensive to fix that road right. Bob added some patch work needs to be done by some culverts on Town Hall Rd.

10. Supervisors Report: Wayne reported a resident at 2650 N Pine Creek is inquiring if they can do some work to put a drainage in their front yard and tie it into the township's culvert. They have two plans. Dan will make contact with them. Dan reported he received a complaint on Crescent Hills reference plowing. The plow driver had missed the cul-de-sac. Bob reported the plow drivers have a concern that they don't have any tools to work on the truck. **Wayne made a motion to have Bob and Dan spend up to \$500 on tools, Jason Wieser seconded, motion carried.** Bob presented a copy of the plow drivers schedule to the board. Bob added the little pickup is plugged in and can be used for plowing.

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

12. Adjournment: **Wayne Oliver made a motion to adjourn at approximately 8:27 pm, Dan Brodigan seconded, motion carried.**

Respectfully Submitted, Karen Schuldt, La Crescent Township Clerk