## La Crescent Township Monthly Meeting Minutes April 12, 2021

## **Final Approved**

Township Board Members Present:

Bob Schuldt Jason Wieser-absent Tom Tornstrom Roy Lemke Wayne Oliver-absent Karen Schuldt

Josie Bartsch -Bartsch Tax Service

Chairman Bob Schuldt called the April monthly meeting to order at 7:00PM. 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, Roy Lemke seconded, motion carried.
- 5. Minutes of March 1, 2021 Board of Audit and March 8, 2021 Regular Meeting: Roy Lemke made a motion to approve both minutes as presented, Tom Tornstrom seconded, motion carried.
- 6. Visitors/Speakers to Address the Board: Bob Cumming came in to address his concern with the dirt that is piled up against the guard rail going up Crescent Hills Dr. Tom presented a picture of it, and advised he has a call into Bill Waller at the City on it. Tom also added there was one fairly large tree that fell across the road. They went in over the weekend and removed three or four big trees along the road.
- 7. Seal Coat Quotes: Quotes were sent out last month and we received two quotes back; Fahrner and Scott Construction. Scott Construction Single seal hard surface 1-mile 20ft. wide. 4,200 gallons' liquid asphalt @ \$3.57 per gallon = \$20,240.00. Includes bar and hand patching. Fahrner's quote: Single seal hard surface 1-mile 20ft. wide. 4,200 gallons' liquid asphalt @ \$1.79 per gallon = \$23,355.45. Includes patching. Following discussion: Tom Tornstrom made a motion to go with the quote from Scott Construction for \$20,240.00, Roy Lemke seconded, motion carried.
- 8. Treasurers Report: Roy Lemke made a motion to approved the Treasurers report as presented by Josie, Tom Tornstrom seconded, motion carried.
- 9. Clerk Report: Karen reported the City of La Crescent is requesting consent to the issuance of the On Sale Wine and On and Off Sale 3.2 Beer License for Pine Creek Golf Course and the La Crescent Snowmobile Club is also requesting consent to the issuance of the On & Off Sale 3.2 Beer license, **Tom Tornstrom made a motion to approve both beer licenses, Roy Lemke seconded, motion carried.** Karen advised we received our annual 2021 Township Sign Inventory Report from Adam Heberlien at the Houston County Highway Department. Karen also reported receiving an email from a township resident about bringing the minutes up to date on the website.

- 10. Other or Old Business: Roy presented an estimate from Zenke for N. Pine Creek Rd. Roy reported he stopped and looked at the Ralph Kings issue on N. Pine Creek Rd. There needs to be something like a man hole cover put on there with a ring to catch the surface water. There is a lot of water going under the road. Feeling of the board was to have Zenke take a look at it. Bob added also on N. Pine Creek by the Bissen property past his garage there is wash out that needs to also be looked at. Tom provided a copy of a letter from the property owners attorney and also our attorneys proposed response in reference to the easement on Horse Thief Ridge. Tom added before our response goes out, he's hoping we can give a couple more weeks for a potential response from the landowners. Our ideas were trying to make the trail more livable by adding privacy fencing and to work together with the properties owners to find a solution. Tom added the easement is our one big issue of course and that is a major concern for safety if that road ever washes out it is our only option. Secondly, there has been a recreational trail that has portions of it that has been maintained and continuously used for over twentyfive years. The city is working on a bigger plan to continue the trail and run it down the top and potentially down Crescent Hills Dr.
- 11.. Supervisors Report: Roy reported he repaired the chain saw out at town hall. Roy updated the city doesn't have a defiant plan yet with what they are doing with the extra sand/salt. Tom reiterated that he will follow up with the city on the dirt under the guard rail. Bob reported Jason got the plow truck all washed and the fingers that close the tailgate are freezing up again. We are going to have to start emptying that and also keep it greased. The tire on the right-hand side on the tractor is low. We also need to think about putting the ditch mower on in the next month or two. The tractor will need an oil change and the mower greased. Bob advised there's some patch work that will need to be done. We'll also need to do a tree survey soon to keep up on that. Bob emailed a copy of notice to everyone in reference to the county holding a public hearing on Thursday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> for variances on the lots in Crescent Hills that have been purchased but not yet been built on it. Some of the zoning ordinances have changed since they were purchased and the county is working with them to make the lots useable.
- 12. Bills for Audit: Tom Tornstrom made a motion to accept the bills as presented, Roy Lemke, motion carried.
- 13. Adjournment: Tom Tornstrom made a motion to adjourn at approximately 7:44 pm, Roy Lemke.

Respectfully Submitted, Karen Schuldt, La Crescent Township Clerk