

July 8, 2024
Meeting Minutes

The Eastern Board of Supervisors held their monthly meeting on Monday, July 8, 2024. Those present were Supervisors Michael Lage, Jason Moller, Amanda Dobratz, Clerk Sue Ellwanger and Treasurer Dana Guse. Tim Bowman from Bowman G & G was also in attendance

Board Chairman, Michael Lage called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Amanda Dobratz made a motion to approve the agenda with flexibility. Jason Moller seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. The motion was approved.

Clerk Sue Ellwanger read the minutes from the June 2024 Board Meeting. Jason Moller made a motion to approve the minutes with corrections. Amanda Dobratz seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. The motion was approved.

Treasurer Dana Guse gave the financial report.

The checking account balance on June 30, 2024: \$ 197,155.47. The CD's had a balance of \$229,255.37. On June 30, 2024, the township balance in the bank was \$426,410.34. Jason Moller made a motion to accept the treasurers' report as presented. Amanda Dobratz seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. The motion was approved. Dana also mentioned that PERA is making changes to their programs. Members will have until July 31st if they want to choose not to be part of PERA.

Jason Moller made a motion to pay the bills. Amanda Dobratz seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. The motion was approved.

June 2024 Deposits					
Date	Receipt #	Remitter	Description	Amount	
6/2/2024	135767	Midwest Bank	Interest - CD #2652	\$ 613.12	
6/5/2024	135768	Midwest Bank	Interest - CD #2679	\$ 558.91	
6/20/2024	135765	State of Minnesota - MMB	Presidential Primary Reimburseme	\$ 1,735.66	
6/30/2024	135766	Midwest Bank	Interest - Checking	\$ 69.08	
				\$ 2,976.77	
July 2024 Claims					
Check_Date	Check #	Vendor_Name	Description	Check_Total	Claim #
7/8/2024	6807	PERA	Monthly Contribution	\$ 107.52	207
7/8/2024	6808	Bettin Pest Control Inc	Spray Hall	\$ 148.56	206
7/8/2024	6809	Jason Moller	Mileage	\$ 26.67	205
7/8/2024	6810	Shawn Moller	Mileage	\$ 66.47	204
7/8/2024	6811	Michael Lage	Mileage	\$ 81.07	203
7/8/2024	6812	Susan Ellwanger	Mileage	\$ 90.45	202
7/8/2024	6813	Amanda Dobratz	Mileage	\$ 8.45	201
7/8/2024	6814	Otter Tail Power Company	Electricity	\$ 30.43	200
7/8/2024	6815	MATIT	CLC Coverage	\$ 2,962.00	199
7/8/2024	6816	Tom Guse	Pocket gophers - 104, Striped goph	\$ 421.00	198
7/8/2024	6817	Gappa Oil Co - Dick's Standard	Lawn mower fuel	\$ 28.34	197
7/8/2024	6818	CJI Aerial, LLC	Map River to locate beaver dams	\$ 489.20	196
7/8/2024	6819	Bowman's Grading & Graveling	Blade, gravel, chloride	\$ 4,295.40	195
7/8/2024	6820	Arvig	Internet	\$ 92.17	194
7/8/2024	6821	Alden Just Road Maintenance, LLC	Calcium chloride application	\$ 14,939.54	193
7/8/2024	6822	Payroll Period Ending 07/31/2024	July payroll	\$ 369.56	
7/8/2024	6823	Payroll Period Ending 07/31/2024	July payroll	\$ 140.32	
7/8/2024	6824	Payroll Period Ending 07/31/2024	July payroll	\$ 350.81	
7/8/2024	6825	Payroll Period Ending 07/31/2024	July payroll	\$ 93.55	
7/8/2024	6826	Payroll Period Ending 07/31/2024	July payroll	\$ 222.18	
7/8/2024	6827	Payroll Period Ending 07/31/2024	July payroll	\$ 198.79	
7/8/2024	6828	John Barrows	Gopher Bounty - 18 gophers	\$ 72.00	

Parkers Prairie Community Ambulance Report

Michael Lage gave the report from the Parkers Prairie Community Ambulance. The entire report is on file with the clerk.

Road Maintenance

Tim Bowman from Bowman G & G gave the monthly road maintenance report. Township Roads were bladed 1 time in June. 620 yards of gravel were spread on roads prior to the calcium chloride application. Worked with Alden Just in conjunction with calcium chloride application. He is also starting to haul and apply gravel to roads.

Weed Inspection

The first weed inspection was done on June 13th. Letters were sent to 4 landowners and compliance is happening. Letters were sent to 2 landowners that had fences in the right of way. The supervisors set Tuesday, June 16th 5:30 pm to conduct the second weed inspection. They will meet at the town hall.

Old Business

Outdoor Toilet Renovation

Waiting on Ryan Truax to fit this job into his schedule.

2024 Bridge Inspection Report (100th St. over Spruce Creek)

After meeting with officials from Ottertail County, they were not aware of the content that was in the letter that was sent to Eastern township. Mike Lage talked with the DNR hydrologist. A permit could be applied for to remove the sediment, but he would most likely deny the permit.

2024 Primary Election

The clerk went over the dates for election judge training. July 11th at M State in Fergus Falls, and July 17th at Thumper Pond in Ottertail. Testing of election equipment will take place on Friday, July 19th and Monday, July 22nd. This will take place at the Government Center in Fergus Falls.

The clerk suggested purchasing privacy screens that can be used for additional voting booths. Jason Moller made a motion to purchase privacy screens. Amanda Dobratz seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. The motion was approved.

New Business

Tree Trimming

Hanson Tree Trimming has been contacted to remove branches/ trees along the minimum maintenance road and also along 100th St/Aspen Drive.

Culverts

Do we need to purchase additional culverts? Tim will check the inventory and let the township know if additional culverts need to be purchased.

There being no other business brought forward to the board, Jason Moller made a motion to adjourn the meeting. No second is needed. The July 2024 Board Meeting of Eastern township was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eastern Township Chairman

Sue Ellwanger Clerk

Michael Lage, Board Chairman