

REGULAR MEETING
March 8, 2017 at 7:30pm
Minutes

1. Pledge to the flag, followed by the reading of the township mission statement

2. Consider approval of Minutes –minutes from February 8 regular meeting, February 22 P & D meeting. Motion to approve the minutes made by Supervisor Haubrich seconded by Supervisor Bowers passed by all.

3. Business from the floor

- Dan Butterfield- brought up concerns about minutes not being updated on the website. He has brought the concern forward for friends and residents who are out of the area. There was some confusion at looking at the ballot and for logical reasons. It looks funny that there are 5 for one seat, and 2 for another, and one for the last. The clerk explained to Butterfield that when they filled out paperwork for running for a seat they were all given the same information.
- Does the public get to go see the Blind Joe at the annual Itasca County Township Association meeting in April? Yes the meeting is open to the public.

4. Consent Agenda

- Approve the Request for Board Action Election Judges for the upcoming election on March 14th.
- Approve the Resolution No. 2017-002

Motion to approve the consent agenda made by Supervisor Haubrich seconded by Supervisor Clayton passed by all.

5. Roads

- Itasca County letter contracts- snow plowing, grading, dust control for next year. The price for the plowing is same for this year which is \$700 a mile and includes a map to see what roads they do. We pay by the ton for salt and sand. It is the same for the past couple of years. We need to send out for grading bids, and dust control we do on our own. The map the County sent is includes Mornes Road, the line got moved and Mornes is the city of Grand Rapids. It's not on the list but it's on the map. Supervisor Kelley will talk to the city and have the Mornes Road removed from the map. Mileage rate will stay the same. Motion to approve the contract with the city made by Supervisor Kortekaas and seconded by Supervisor Bowers. Discussion: when do we see the costs for the salt and sand for this year? Back in January we were at about \$4,200 and we should be close to what we were last year. Passed by all.
- Itasca County 5 year road plan- Glen called and River Road and roads over in the south west of the township are going to be worked on this year by Itasca County and if we were interested we could "piggy back" on those projects. Give him a call if and when we need his services from GR to the County line on River Road. It will be about 15 miles.

6. Recreation

- Out houses have been pulled from all landings.

7. Correspondence

○ Board Action items:

- ICTA- Annual meeting, who is attending and the brochure for the evening. We will wait until the P & D meeting. Will get a list then.

○ Noteworthy items:

- Itasca Community Television letter-
- Lake Country Power Strictly Business
- Lake Country Power Annual Letter- Meeting Spang Township March 9th 5:00-7:00 pm

- Non-action items

8. Old Business

- Lights Maintenance Center inside- Still don't have an answer on it and have been looking at different lights. The maintenance crew is looking into other lighting from Home depot. Table until the P & D meeting.
- Paul Bunyan Right of way- We did get a map and they want to do this year. Sunny Beach Road, Mishawaka Road, Lake View, Keyview, and Woodland would get internet service this year. Thinking on Paul Bunyan; we need to extend the lines, and what they are going to do. When and where and what they are putting in? It is something our attorney could write up or should we look at the one from done before and modify for now. The clerk could whip up a letter for them and get it out. Motion to write a line extension letter for Media Com and one for Paul Bunyan made by Supervisor Haubrich seconded by Supervisor Kotekaas passed by all.
- Signs –ordered and should be here next week. Only the weight limit signs have been ordered.
- Newsletter- Postage- we were not able to get the postage as a bulk rate for this newsletter we just did. We have to apply for a permit to do that. The permit is \$240 and the yearly cost is \$240. If we want to move forward with the postage we can, I just need direction from the board. The cost would be \$588 to do the postage. It gets us a bulk rate of and that is each time it would save us money. Look at Rapids Printing they have the bulk rate from the printer. Going to email them from here on out, but will still have to mail some as not everyone will have access to a computer. Two separate checks one for the newsletter and one for the postage is what has been in the past. Have we made a commitment to do it quarterly or three times a year? We will try for about every 4 months. Articles are due July for the next letter and then we will do one at the end of the year.

9. New Business

- We have two meetings being scheduled for the same day: April 5th Meeting conflicts (Cable Commission and Comprehensive Plan) – The clerk didn't contact John Powers about the meeting so we can move it to a later date. Move it to the 24th of April at 6 pm at the Harris Town Hall. Motion to move the meeting made by Supervisor Clayton seconded by Supervisor Bowers passed by all.
- Portable toilets- Northland Portable came in at the same price as last year and \$95 a unit for a standard toilet.
- Portable john quote normal \$65 a unit handicapped \$90 per unit. Should stay with Northland Portable and in the winter time it is a wash, it's only a couple of dollars difference. Motion to stay with Northland Portable made by Supervisor Bowers seconded by Supervisor Haubrich passed by all.
- Sent in the census information and the annex information the State asked for.

10. Treasurer's Report – dated March 8, 2017 (of February 2017 financials) numbers within the accounts may change after the audit, (bottom line will stay the same) with what is outstanding (Sunny Beach Road Project) and we still need to decide when to transfer money into the Road and Bridge Fund. Treasurer Adams wants to talk to the auditor to see if it something they want us to do now or do it after the audit. We need to look at a cash flow annalist to see if we have the money to do it. Hawkinson Construction was great about giving us time. The portion that is due now, is coming out of this year's budget and after the annual meeting we will pull everything together and send it to the auditor. Motion to approve the auditor report made by Supervisor Haubrich seconded by Supervisor Kortekaas passed by all.

11. Approve payment of bills for February, 2017 The snow plowing bill came in from the County and that is a lump sum from this past winter, it's for 2016 -2017 snow plowing season. It is for plowing 33.4 miles at \$700 per mile. If we get more snow it will be included in this bill. We will still get the salt and sand bill for this year once the season ends. We are tax exempt and Treasurer Adams takes that off of the bill. Election for 2016 bill November's election is included in the bill list. S.E.H. the bill was for January for misc. services; attend board meeting, meeting prep, ect. Since we are not going to have a lot of funds in our Road and Bridge fund this year we should suspend S.E.H for the rest of the year as we are not

going to be doing any road construction this year. Motion to suspend S.E.H. for the rest of the year made by Supervisor Haubrich seconded by Supervisor Bowers and passed by all effective today. Question was asked for the late fees on the credit cars through Wells Fargo and Home Depot, Treasurer Adams explained they are automatic payments so we don't get the late fees. There were the charges on the Wells Fargo card that questions were asked, Treasurer Adams pulled the receipts to see what they were. They were clothing and boots. Clothing was Briers Clothing and they get boots every couple of years for \$229.95. We have a charge for Wisconsin for \$625 Tapco. Where did we get the road signs? They were from Dakota. Motion to pay the bills made by Supervisor Kortekaas seconded by Supervisor Clayton passed by all. Range Water cooler rental and a cooler at the service center. Check numbers 17454-17482 will be used to pay the February bills. Motion to approve signing these checks made by Supervisor Clayton seconded by Supervisor Bowers passed by all.

12. Public Input *(please limit comments to 5 minutes)*

- Reminded that we forgot to mention and directed to the clerk and add the minutes of the budget meetings to the website.

13. Adjourn motion to adjourn made by Supervisor Kortekaas seconded by Supervisor Clayton passed by all at 8:20 pm.

UPCOMING Events / Meetings

Wed Mar. 8 Regular Meeting.....	7:30pm Harris Town Hall
Mon Mar 13 Itasca County Township Association.....	7:00 pm Blandin Foundation
Tue. Mar 14 Election.....	12-8 pm Harris Town Hall
Tue. Mar 14 Board of Canvass.....	8:15 pm Harris Town Hall
Tue. Mar 14 Annual Town Meeting.....	8:30 pm Harris Town Hall
Wed Mar 15 Public Meeting for the Comprehensive Plan.....	6:00 pm Harris Town Hall
Wed Mar 22 Planning & Development meeting.....	7:30 pm Harris Town Hall
Thu. May 4 Board of Appeal & Equalization.....	9:00 am Harris Town Hall
Mon Apr 24 comp plan.....	6:00pm Harris Town Hall
Wed Apr 5 cable commission	6:00pm Harris Town Hall

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