Munson Township Board of Supervisors

# **Meeting Minutes**

# **September 18, 2023**

# The September 18, 2023, regular monthly meeting of the Munson Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 8:00 PM, by Chairman, Matt Burg.

# **Present**

# Butch Gertken, Joe Willenbring, Clerk, Boni Behnen, Treasurer, Dick Behnen, P&Z Chairman Dave Theilen and P&Z member, Mike Behnen

# **A motion to approve the town board minutes, with changes made, from August 21, 2023, was made by Willenbring, seconded by Gertken. Carried 3-0.**

**Treasurer’s Report**

Income $9527.77, Expenses $51,465.67, with a Balance of $292,267.60, with $308,243.36 in Money Market and CD’s **A motion to accept the Treasurer’s report was made by Gertken, seconded by Willenbring. Carried 3-0.**

**Old Business**

-Tim Meland from the Sheriff’s office gave a synopsis of the June-August Sheriff Department calls. The list of calls is on file.

-Chad Stang presented paperwork from surveyors, O’Malley, and Kron, to have the easement removed from his property. His attorney will draw up the necessary paperwork.

**New Business**

-Kevin Kruger, from WSB, will present two separate estimates, one for Edgeton, and one for 260th. Applications are due in December. Kruger was asked about the cost of going from a 9 ton to a 10-ton road. He stated it would increase the cost significantly, because a 10-ton road would require soil borings etc. He also stated letters of recommendations from farmers and local businesses are very important. **A motion to allow Kevin Kruger to submit cost estimates for both Edgeton and 260th was made by Willenbring, seconded by Gertken, Carried 3-0.**

**A motion to open bids for the 2023-24 snow removal season was made by Willenbring, seconded by Gertken, carried 3-0**. Quotes were submitted from Hemmesch Excavating and Gertken Bros Inc. Hemmesch was the lowest bid, the board decided to give him the contract. The contract begins November 1, 2023, with a retainer of $2,000/Mo. Bids attached.

Larry Lahr presented the preliminary plat to be signed. **A motion to sign was made by Gertken, seconded by Willenbring, carried 3-0.**

**COL Fire Update –**

6 calls this month.

Hired a cleaning service with no contract.

They received a $4,000 grant from the DNR.

The Department lost 2 fire fighters.

**A motion to have** **Ertle take brush out of Edgeton, Big Lake, Jay, Fruitwood Road, and Torah Drive ditches was made by Gertken, seconded by Willenbring, carried 3-0.** Estimate for 2-3 days beginning October 1 . Willenbring will oversee the project.

**A motion to have Aaron Willenbring remove trees and chip brush from West Torah Drive was made by Gertken, seconded by Willenbring, carried 3-0.** He will trim trees from the ROW(33ft from the road center) and will leave the larger wood pieces for the residents. Boni will get a list from the county and send letters to the residents on West Torah Drive. Work will begin approximately October 1. One of the residents wanted to keep two black walnut trees that were planted in the road ROW. Dave Theilen called the resident, and the resident will take care of it.

**A motion to buy salt was made by Gertken, seconded by Willenbring. Carried 3-0.** The salt will be stored under a tarp at Hemmesch’s.

**Mail**

**Reviewed mail**

**A motion to pay bills and payroll was made by Willenbring, seconded by Gertken. Carried 3-0.** Bills were paid in the amount of $29,663.53 using check numbers 7465-7490.

**At 9:40 the meeting was extended to October 10, 2023, at 4:30 with Jodi Teich, Stearns County Engineer.**

Minutes submitted by: Boni Behnen, Clerk

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