

Helena Township Board of Supervisors Regular Monthly Meeting

Minutes of October 7, 2021 | New Prague Fire Hall

- Call to Order** Regular Monthly Meeting was called to order by Chairman Deutsch at 6:50 PM.
- Present:** Chairman Duane Deutsch, Supervisor Ed Nytes, Treasurer Nathan Hutton, Supervisor John Wermerskirchen, Deputy Clerk Jody Deutsch, Road Overseer Jeff Haag and Clerk DeAnn Croatt. Also present: Jeff Klehr, Commissioner Barb Weckman-Brekke, and Meri Woodgate.
- Minutes** On a motion by Wermerskirchen/Nytes the September Regular Monthly Meeting and Workshop Minutes were approved as presented; carried unanimously.
- Woodgate** Meri Woodgate received favorable township recommendation to install a new manufactured home at 26380 Redwing Avenue in Section 26 for an infirmed family member on a motion by Deutsch/Nytes; carried unanimously.
- Road Overseer Report**
1. WCLD ditches are done
 2. WCLD swale is in and working properly
 3. WCLD damaged mailbox was replaced by contractor
 4. WCLD silt fence has been removed; Deutsch will obtain quote from Johnson for work in the area
 5. Sam Morse completed the final inspection of WCLD; project is complete except for questions about mailbox posts related to the newspaper green box.
 6. Indian Avenue Dead End sign erected; Nancy Deutsch requested gravel on slick areas. Redrock will be applied by Jeff Klehr.
 7. Alton/270th Stop Sign was stolen for the second time in as many weeks. Brekke reported to the Scott County Sheriff's Department; Clerk was contacted for additional information and the officers will increase patrolling.
 8. Deutsch provided contact information for Mark Lano; Haag will work with him about two trees in the ROW of Indian Avenue.
 9. Fall Road Inspection is set for October 13, 2021 at 3:30 PM, meeting at Deutsch's.
 10. Haag will look into a Milwaukee chainsaw and sprayer at Siwek's in Jordan
- Klehr**
1. Klehr reported water was up on Alton; however, as of today the water is down. Township will continue to monitor.
- Comm. Barb Weckman Brekke**
1. County levy is likely 3+% higher (township's is 3.97% lower)
 2. Discussed the proposed motocross ordinance. Brekke is hesitant to support; however the township officers indicated their support of the ordinance because noise cannot be contained to a person's property.
 3. Shared building progress and indicated the changes with online services may carry over in many circumstances. The judges are enjoying the new space in the justice center.
- Snow Contract** The snow plowing contract and policy was approved and the quote accepted from Art Johnson Trucking on a motion by Nytes/Wermerskirchen; carried unanimously.
- Utility Permits**
1. GMG for connection at 772 Silver Maple Drive
 2. CenterPoint for connection at 24451 WCLD

Old Business

- FaithPoint** Clerk will let the church know the east driveway can remain; however, the ditch must be return shaped and seeded.
- Schoenbauer** Officers discussed reallocating the lot fees from the Delmar lots to the road reconstruction of 255th if the development goes forward. Clerk will gather lot fee charges from the Clerk/Treasurer group.

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New Business

- Code Enforcement** Two open cases on Delmar and 280th Street West; county is working with property owners to bring them into compliance.
- Sherriff's Report MAT** Nothing out of the ordinary.
1. Election Judges qualify for premium pay under ARPA funds
 2. ARPA reporting deadline moved back to April 30, 2022.
 3. MAT's new website is up
- Jordan Fire** The fire contract for 2021 with the City of Jordan was approved on a motion by Nytes/Wermerskirchen; carried unanimously.
- Couri Ruppe Seminar** D. Deutsch, J. Deutsch and Croatt attended and shared some facts:
1. Clerk will create an annual performance review form for the road overseer
 2. Road Mileage map will be corrected for 270th and 275th
 3. Instead of using Certified mailings, Clerk can complete an Affidavit of Mailing
 4. Recommend replacing signs every ten years, doing a quadrant each year.
 5. Conflict of interest resolutions are accepted annually
 6. In general, 'if it ain't broke, don't fix it'.
 7. ORI new applications are on hold at the DOJ's office
 8. Beaver problems were covered well by Ruppe
- Building Permits**
1. Solar array for Plooster on Aberdeen
 2. Roof for Advanced Seeding on Koeper
 3. Addition for Gerold on 230th
 4. Deck for Petsch on Drexel
 5. Fireplace for Hennen on 220th
 6. Boiler for Prelesnik on Harlow
 7. Shop for Larson on WCLD
 8. Shed for Nguyen on Camber
 9. Roof for Adamek on WCLD
 10. Roof for Hennen on 220th
 11. Roof for Elliott on Lucy
 12. Siding for Tangen on Naylor
 13. Roof for Frankson on Drexel
 14. Roof for Wann on WCLD
 15. Roof for Moeding on WCLD
 16. Shingles for Nielsen on Willow Ct
 17. Roof for Jaeger on Willow Court
 18. Roof for Peterson on Silver Maple Drive
 19. Roof for Steele on Willow Court

Other Business

Bills Paid On a motion by Nytes/Wermerskirchen checks # 6404 — 6415 were approved for payment; carried unanimously.

6404	\$	468.00	Bauer, Duane	Escrow Refund for Delmar Estates
6405	\$	468.00	Bauer, Glen and Linda Bauer	Escrow Refund for Delmar Estates
6406	\$	30,896.59	City of Jordan	2021 Jordan Fire Contract
6407	\$	1,430.00	Couri & Ruppe	WCLD

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6408	\$	25.00	Donald Rowe	Webmaster
6409	\$	48.10	Earl F. Andersen	Dead End Sign
6410	\$	1,533.35	Hakenson Anderson	WCLD
6411	\$	1,679.00	Hauge Technical Services	WCLD
6412	\$	5,995.00	Klehr Grading & Excavating	Road Grading
6413	\$	130.00	Robert Terwedo	735/772 Mailbox Posts
6414	\$	320.00	Steve Rynda Landscape	RSP2 Park
6415	\$	320.00	Steve Rynda Landscape	RSP2 Park

Receipts New Receipts:

9/30/2021	\$	48.53	First Bank & Trust	Interest
9/30/2021	\$	204.54	Riverland Bank	Interest
9/1/2021	\$	5,063.00	Scott County	Extra Dustcoating
9/2/2021	\$	6,000.00	Enfield	WCLD Sp. Assmt.
9/2/2021	\$	6,000.00	Jenkins	WCLD Sp. Assmt.
9/2/2021	\$	6,000.00	Larson	WCLD Sp. Assmt.
9/3/2021	\$	6,000.00	Sheffer	WCLD Sp. Assmt.
9/3/2021	\$	6,000.00	Schuette	WCLD Sp. Assmt.
9/7/2021	\$	6,000.00	Odette	WCLD Sp. Assmt.
9/10/2021	\$	6,000.00	Thoele	WCLD Sp. Assmt.
9/11/2021	\$	6,000.00	Drentlaw	WCLD Sp. Assmt.
9/11/2021	\$	6,000.00	Breeggemann	WCLD Sp. Assmt.
9/15/2021	\$	146.66	State of MN	ORI
9/17/2021	\$	400.00	Todd Berthiame	Driveway Permit
9/17/2021	\$	6,000.00	Ryan	WCLD Sp. Assmt.
9/24/2021	\$	6,000.00	Wormer	WCLD Sp. Assmt.
9/27/2021	\$	6,000.00	Schuette	WCLD Sp. Assmt.
9/27/2021	\$	6,000.00	Wann	WCLD Sp. Assmt.
9/27/2021	\$	6,000.00	Truso	WCLD Sp. Assmt.
9/27/2021	\$	6,000.00	Weckman	WCLD Sp. Assmt.

Treasurer's Report Treasurer is authorized to order more checks and deposit tickets.

On a motion by Nytes/Deutsch the Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented; carried unanimously.

Continuation At 9:05 PM on a motion by Wermerskirchen/Nytes the meeting was continued to the Fall Road Viewing on Wednesday October 13, 2021 at 3:30 PM meeting at Deutsch's; then to the October 20, 2021 5:00 PM Work Shop; carried unanimously.

NOTE: Helena Township meetings have returned to in person. If you prefer to attend virtually, login/call in information available at www.helena-township.com on the Agenda/Minutes page. Unvaccinated people must wear masks; all attendees, officers and employees will Social Distance.