## ROOSEVELT TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023

1. The meeting was called to Order at 7:00 pm by Chairman, Chris Hewitt. All officers are present.

Chris led the Flag Pledge.

- 2. Motion by Chris to approve the agenda as written; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ann, all in favor, motion carried.
- 3. Motion by Chris, to approve the January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Board Minutes motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rick, all approved, motion carried.
- 4. We still have money in the Tax Abatement Fund and General Debt Service because we received more tax money so we will slowly get money in those over time. Rick moved to accept the January Treasurer's report as read; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ann, all approved, motion carried.
- 5. Chris moved to approve claims as listed; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rick, all in favor, motion carried.
- 6. Road & Equipment Report:
  - Equipment: Grader, Plow Truck and Backhoe is fine. Ed said that they do not do simulators anymore for people to learn to drive. Chains were only \$700.
  - Roads: Are fair, Can't Plow.
  - Jim states that part of Camp Lake Road is being logged by Smudes, makes it
    complicated to drive by as the road is not that wide. Property would need to
    be purchased to widen the road. Rick said he would look into it. Jim is in
    contact with the Smudes and they will also be talking to Garrison Township as
    well since most of that part of the road is in their township.
- 7. Board of Audit 3 Claims and 3 Receipts were checked by the board of supervisors.
- 8. Board Recommendation for 2024 Levy:
  - May need Crack Sealing lets budget \$10,000. Brushing lets budget \$20,000.
  - Will we need more gravel? We hope not. Jim's thought was if we are brushing and such we may be wrecking the road and need more gravel. Rick thinks we should be good. We will be having an unusual spring, may be having washouts? All just thoughts to prepare for. Rick said we will leave the year with a good reserve, and we understand that emergency happen. Also, they are out of clay at the current moment, but should be good.
  - Equipment longevity is being brought up. Rick said it all should be good, there is obviously still the unexpected. Ed brought up talking about the tractor, Ed is

thinking about \$20,000-\$30,000. That is a tractor with a cab no bucket. His old tractor is worth maybe \$5000.

- Storm Damage money was approved we should look into it a little bit more maybe put brushing out for bids.

We are projecting \$195,000 Levy, should we go higher than that. Rick thinks since we had the tractor issue and we need to get that taken care of that is a must that we should be budgeting for. We could always get a loan, as an option, lets check and see the process of financing.

The final Levy can be changed in December, the meeting can be continued on in August voted on by the people at the Annual Meeting. Especially since we don't know the actual costs of these things, we are just guessing.

- Bonnie mentions in person trainings is a little bit of an extra cost and in 2024 there will be more election costs as well.

- The boards recommendation will be \$215,000 - based upon the discussion above under bullet 8.

9. Discussion on any changes to Group Life Insurance – Still the same as last year. No Changes.

10. Open Forum:

None.

Other Information:

None.

At 8:13 pm, Chris moved to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ann, all in favor, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

BREANNA CIELINSKI
Clerk, Crow Wing Co, Roosevelt, MN
Notarial Officer (ex-officio notary public)
My term is indeterminate

Breanna Cielinski

**Roosevelt Township Clerk** 

Approved

Chris Hewitt, Chairman