Lake Eunice Township

Treasurer: Ann Hixson Supervisors: Ed Clem, Gerald Johnson Chairman: Jason Rosing Wayne Jacobson, Al Bergquist

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The Lake Eunice Township board held its monthly meeting at the town hall on April 12thth, 2022 at 7:00 pm.  Ann Hixson not present at the meeting. The minutes from the February meetings were reviewed and approved by a motion by Al Bergquist and seconded by Jerry Johnson.  The treasurer report was not reviewed in Ann’s absence. The board made a motion to table the treasurer’s report until Ann can be in attendance.

Jean and Randal Mcleod were present to discuss their property on Lakeland Drive. Since they attended the annual meeting, Heather Anderson did reach out to the township attorney about their concerns. This was shared with the McLeod’s. Jason Rosing advised the public has an easement in the road dedicated in the plat. The McLeod’s need to consult with an attorney regarding bringing a petition to the township, or a court proceeding allowed by statute, to vacate part of the platted road. The Township has the obligation to protect the rights and interest of the public and allow a vacation of the easement only when the public’s rights are not adversely affected. Cul-de-sacs are important on a long-term basis on dead end roads to provide sufficient area for large vehicles to turn around, such as snow plows, and for areas to utilities and snow storage. The property lines should have been confirmed before any building was done. If the encroachments do not currently affect the public’s rights, another solution would be to grant an encroachment easement.

Kody Kohler was present to discuss a 10-acre parcel of land. Mr. Kohler was told he needs to get approval to move forward. Ed Clem reported that the Joint Powers Agreement with Becker County addresses this. According to Ed, the MOU the township signed with Becker County agreed to give the Zoning staff authority to approve these administratively. Mr. Kohler was told there is nothing for the board to approve or sign off on and encouraged to call Becker County Planning and Zoning.

Todd Jacobson, owner of Hooligans, in Audubon, Minnesota, was present to discuss and approve the liquor license. The liquor license was accepted with Jerry Johnson making a motion to approve and Wayne Jacobson seconding the motion. A copy of the liquor license was signed by Jason Rosing and Heather Anderson.

Troy Goerging was present to obtain a liquor license for TJ’s. This liquor license was brought to vote with a unanimous approval. Paperwork completed by the clerk and filed with the office.

Rick Renner, snow plow operator, was present. The board will be doing a road tour in April, 2022. The board is interested in Mr. Renner’s knowledge of prior road agreements made with other township for maintenance, snow plowing etc. In addition to updating the road agreement, Mr. Renner encouraged the township to update the labor policy and contract with the new snow plow operator moving forward.

The Lake Eunice Township Board will be meeting April 22nd, 2022 at the townhall to complete a spring road tour. This will be posted at the posting sites. In addition, the board approved John Okeson to drive roads within Lake Eunice and report back any concerns to the board.

The Buckhorn Road Estimate has been completed and the bid letting was awarded to Mark Sand and Gravel. Lake Eunice will be part of 6 other projects with Becker County Engineering. Brian Shepard was present from Becker County Engineering and shared this document with the board and those attending.

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| **Spec. #** | **Item** | **Unit** | **State Park** | **Township** | **Total** | **Unit** | **Total** |
| **Quantity** | **Quantity** | **Quantity** | **Price** |
| 2021.501 | MOBILIZATION | LUMP SUM | 0.65 | 0.35 | 1 | $ 85,000.00 | $ 85,000.00 |
| 2104.504 | REMOVE BITUMINOUS PAVEMENT | SQ YD | 170 | 10 | 180 | $ 10.00 | $ 1,800.00 |
| 2104.504 | REMOVE CONCRETE PAVEMENT | SQ YD | 15 | 0 | 15 | $ 50.00 | $ 750.00 |
| 2112.603 | SUBGRADE PREPARATION | LIN FT | 2,131 | 1,380 | 3,511 | $ 2.90 | $ 10,181.90 |
| 2118.509 | AGGREGATE SURFACING CLASS 5 MOD | TON | 123 | 35 | 158 | $ 24.10 | $ 3,807.80 |
| 2211.509 | AGGREGATE BASE CLASS 5 MOD | TON | 948 | 621 | 1,569 | $ 14.35 | $ 22,515.15 |
| 2360.509 | TYPE SP 9.5 WEARING COURSE MIX (2,C) | TON | 859 | 514 | 1,373 | $ 74.75 | $ 102,631.75 |
| 2573.501 | CULVERT END CONTROLS | LUMP SUM | 1 | 0 | 1 | $ 500.00 | $ 500.00 |
| 2573.501 | STABILIZED CONSTRUCTION EXIT | LUMP SUM | 1 | 0 | 1 | $ 5,000.00 | $ 5,000.00 |
| 2573.503 | SILT FENCE, TYPE MS | LIN FT | 2,865 | 535 | 3,400 | $ 2.00 | $ 6,800.00 |
| 2573.601 | TEMPORARY EROSION CONTROL | LUMP SUM | 0.85 | 0.15 | 1 | $ 6,500.00 | $ 6,500.00 |
| 2575.501 | TURF ESTABLISHMENT | LUMP SUM | 0.85 | 0.15 | 1 | $ 6,900.00 | $ 6,900.00 |
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| DNR State Park Total = | $ 167,278.25 |
| Township Total = | $ 85,108.35 |
|  | $ 252,386.60 |

Original DNR Amount = $108,572.50

Additional DNR Amount = $40,000.00

DNR Total = $148,572.50

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| Bid Amount = $252,386.60 |
| DNR Contribution = $148,572.50 |
| Township Contribution = $103,814.10 |

The board reviewed the document. Jason Rosing made a motion to accept this bid from Mark’s Sand and Gravel and start the Buckhorn Road project immediately. The board approved and accepted. The board also instructed Heather Anderson to start the special assessment process right away with hopes of having the special meeting in May, 2022. Heather Anderson will contact Apex Engineering immediately.

Jason Rosing is going to be contacting the owner of Tracey’s Resort to see if they would like to contribute to the Buckhorn Road Project.

The board discussed the Fire Contract with Audubon Fire and Rescue. The contract is for three years and sees an increase of $8,938 over the three years. Jason Rosing called for a vote to accept this contract with the contract being passed, 4 to 1. Jerry Johnson voted not to accept and voiced his concerns over this contract.

Audubon Fire and Rescue are asking for a letter for support as they are applying for grants to build a new Fire Hall. The board does support a letter being sent for community support but are not able to commit to any monetary support above and beyond what we already give them for the contract.

Matt Arolo, Lakes Area Dirt Works was present to present his business to the board. He advised he has been in business for about five years. His contact information and brochure was shared with the board.

A road encroachment request has been made by Arvig for the summer of 2022. A map was shared with the board. Arvig will be putting in fiberoptic around Lake Eunice Township and will be in the right of way. This was reviewed and approved by the board.

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:45 pm by Wayne Jacobson and seconded by Jerry Johnson.

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Heather Anderson, Township Clerk Date 15320 Blackhawk Road Audubon, Minnesota 56511

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