## LAKE EUNICE TOWNSHIP

Crystal Myers, Clerk 18620 Sportsman Rd Audubon, MN 56511 218-234-9266

Treasurer: Ruth Pung
Supervisors: Lloyd Kohler, Gerald Johnson,
Chairman: Joe Lightowler
James Renslow, Larry Stockert

The Lake Eunice Township board held their bi-monthly meeting at the town hall on May 11, 2010 at 7pm. All members were present. The minutes from April 27th were approved as written by a motion from L Stockert, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J Renslow and it carried. The treasurer's report was read and approved by a motion from L Kohler, 2<sup>nd</sup> by G Johnson and it carried.

Jim and Kathy Runger had a question for Scott Hendricks about blading with the new blade and asked what can be done to make the road better as he feels the road is worse than ever. Scott will go over the road twice once the rain stops to see if it will help. They also asked about future plans on N Pearl Lake Rd and we will be talking about plans for this road later in this meeting. Mark Jacobson argued with the board about the 5-year plan and that the same thing keeps being said and is not happening. J Lightowler restated that we have a plan for the roads and they will get done in a timely manner. Jim asked when it is in the plan for paving and the 5 year plan projects it to be done in 2012 so the prep work will be done in 2011. Mark Jacobson stated he thought it was already prepped last year. Joe Lightowler stated that N Pearl Lake Rd will be the next road completed after Deroxe Rd.

Sheila Baity was present from N Pearl with a petition for dust control that states it will be done by May 28<sup>th</sup> and this petition can't be accepted with a deadline and no fees stated in the petition. L Kohler made a motion to dust control N Pearl Lake Rd when Hendricks is able to get the road prepped properly by June 15<sup>th</sup> or sooner, 2<sup>nd</sup> by L Stockert and it carried.

M Reep would like to make a suggestion to create a mailing list for contractors for projects we need quotes on. L Stockert has already worked on this and will be using this in the future. He also suggested a dry erase board to go over quotes or bids so they are clearer and the public can see what we are deciding and resolve any questions. Another suggestion is to post what is being paid and J Lightowler stated the forms are available to look at by request. M Reep asked for clarification on the letter presented to him by the clerk. Crystal replied that the response was written under the advise of attorneys of the Minnesota Association of Townships.

Jim Runger stated a meeting could be held for the contractors and Joe stated we will be sending details to contractors in the future once a list is completed.

??? Scott Rietsema was questioning if Deroxe and N Pearl Lk Rd will be done by the township or will be assessed and L Stockert stated on the main traveled through roads that have counters placed on them showing the high traffic flow will be paved eventually upon request and petition.

Mark Jacobson was questioning not remembering seeing anything in the minutes about the board members not using their own equipment for town board work and would like the statute stated in the minutes which is MN Statute #365.37 subdivision 1 and this was read by Joe Lightowler. It is a <u>conflict of interest</u> for a supervisor to use his own equipment and charge the Township for the use.

Mark requested the steps that must be taken to get a road paved. J Lightowler stated this is not set in stone, but it needs to be as follows: #1 petition signed, #2 board will decide if it is part of our plan and when, #3 when will the twp have money and schedule it in the budget for the future. Mark Jacobson stated there are MN statutes that we are missing and J Lightowler stated what happened in the past cannot be changed and we have an attorney that advises us on procedure.

Jon Taves was present with a quote on Erickson Rd.

L Stockert talked about the new Otta Seal program which is 50–60% less than paving. J Lightowler along with Hendricks, who has done one of these roads, reviewed how this system works to become like a paved road and the procedure for applying this. The completed road can be maintained just like a paved road and doesn't crack as much. The county is using this on all their secondary roads and this tested at 7-9 tons and some have tested even higher. Larry and Joe toured the facility and received the information and the township would like to get pricing on doing this on Deroxe and would like to use this procedure. L Stockert made a motion to get quotes on this procedure for Deroxe Rd, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gerald Johnson and it carried. One of the roads that has this procedure is Becker County 120 and 35 by Strawberry Lake. L Stockert will make a list of the contractors that are available to the township and when a quote is needed for a repair or project (anything over \$500) then a letter will be mailed to these contractors and a motion will be made at a meeting based on quotes as to who will do the work. No work will be done without a motion.

L Stockert – Deroxe Rd has another 100ft soft spot the needs to be repaired that is about 18" deep. The contractors available will be asked to submit a quote on this secondary soft spot. Ben Walther on Deroxe Rd has requested we install a used

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culvert into his approach and add it to his taxes. Erickson Rd repairs are open for quotes. L Stockert has requested a list of contractors that would like to be notified when quotes are needed.

Jay Carlson's compost is not yet removed and it has been promised to be removed by the end of May and if this is not done by June 1<sup>st</sup> then the next contractor quote will be asked to do the job. Also there are many items in the townhall yard that need to be cleaned up.

J Lightowler asked for a clarification on culverts. The county will not sell culverts to the contractor so the township purchases the culvert from the county and the contractor will pick it up. Township Supervisors are not to pick up culverts. Again this is a conflict of interest for the supervisor.

J Renslow attended the fireman's meeting in Audubon and he asked if they would burn our brush pile and they will as an option. He will check on the cost.

Copies of the bills for the cleaning Dahlberg culvert by Kevin Sherbrooke will be submitted to the watershed for them to go to Ducks Unlimited.

Little Cormorant watershed would like to see a culvert put in, but these are in Audubon Twp.

A motion was made to adjourn at 9:14 pm by L Stockert, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J Renslow and it carried. Minutes approved on May 25th. Crystal Myers, Clerk