

MINUTES OF FIELD TOWNSHIP'S REGULAR BOARD MEETING

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The meeting was called to order at the Field Town Hall at 7:00 p.m. There was prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Supervisors Keith Fulcher, Tom Chapman, Joel Knutson, Hospital Representative Mike Enzmann, Treasurer Ellie Brunner, Clerk Pat Chapman, School Forest Liaison Keith Aho via phone.

The minutes of Field Township's board meeting held July 13 ,2021 were read and stand as noted.

Correspondence:

1. St. Louis County Public Works
2. Art Unlimited
3. MAT
4. Nieter's Electric
5. Couri and Ruppe
6. Viita Septic
7. St. Louis County Broadband
8. All American Title Co.
9. Northwood's True Value Hardware
10. St. Louis County Elections
11. Kay Park

Treasurer's report from Treasurer Ellie Brunner:

Beg. Balance: \$ 103,236.06	Ending Balance: \$127,429.82
Receipts: \$32,479.03	Plus Outstanding Checks: \$2,150.00
Disbursements: \$8,285.27	Total Per Bank Statement: \$129,579.82

Motion made by Supervisor Chapman, seconded by Supervisor Knutson , to approve the treasurer's report, claims and net pay distribution report. Motion carried unanimously. Treasurer Brunner reported we have the DUNS # so we can proceed with the ARPA funding process.

Committee Reports:

Ambulance – Supervisor Chapman reported on the July 2021 ambulance information he received. There were 15 calls, none in Field. The Ambulance Dept. will be running ads in the paper for more EMT/EMRs.

Fire- Supervisor Chapman reported on the Cook Fire Dept. January – June 2021 training updates. The dept. is required to train on 11 core topics per year. The MN Public Safety Group conducts the training. This is a local group whose instructors come from area fire departments. From January – June there were 22 calls.

Road and Bridges –Supervisor Knutson reported the roads are good and will soon be brushed.

Hospital – Hospital Representative Mike Enzmann reported there is a continuing shortage of health care workers. The Heiam Foundation event will be held August 14. The foundation along with the Hospital Auxiliary and the levy help maintain the level of patient care needed. By 2030 there will be a substantial growth in citizens eligible for Medicare.

Cemetery – Supervisor Knutson reported there have been no burials. He has not mowed because of the drought. He will order six windows from NorthWoods Hardware for the church as previously approved. The bench from Kay Park Rec. is extremely backordered so he will check on the benches the hardware might have available.

Joint Powers Board – School Forest Liaison Keith Aho stated there was no news to report.

Planning and Zoning – No report.

Hall- Supervisor Chapman is getting info from Ron Maki about a new reflective sign for the hall which would include the year the township was established along with the address, email and website information. Supervisor Chapman is also getting quotes for more insulation.

Ferrell Gas will be contacted to check the furnace. Possibly Sherman or Sertich plumbing are available for quotes for an instant water heater.

The lights installed by Nieter’s Electric were a big improvement. There was discussion that the ceiling needs work.

Old Business- Clerk Chapman shared a broadband report from Elizabeth Chapman. There will be a webinar August 12 about funding for broadband infrastructure. The board would like an update on the awarded contract to know where the project is and how to move on.

New Business- None

The next meeting will be September 14, 2021, 7 pm at the Field Town Hall.

Supervisor Knutson made a motion to adjourn at 8:08 p.m.. Seconded by Supervisor Chapman.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Keith Fulcher

Clerk Pat Chapman

Date

