

Minutes of Field Township's Cemetery and Regular Board Meeting May 9, 2023 Page 1

The Field Township cemetery and regular board meeting was called to order by Chairman Mike Enzmann at 5:30 pm on May 9, 2023 at the Field Township Cemetery. The Board of Supervisors inspected the cemetery, followed by the road inspection.

The reconvened cemetery and regular board meeting was called to order at the Field Town Hall by

Chairman Enzmann at 7:00 pm.

Present: Supervisors Knutson, Chapman, Enzmann, Treasurer Ellie Brunner, Clerk Pat Chapman,

Deputy Clerk Tim Chapman. Guest Rick Pearce.

The following report was given based on the cemetery inspection: The steeple window needs glazing.

More shingles might be needed on the steeple and the new windows need flashing. The needles on the

roof need removed. Supervisor Chapman will research the antique windows at the church to determine a

selling price. Pick up would be at the church, no shipping.. The annual AWAIR review was completed.

The north end of the cemetery will need leveling for expansion. New gravel is needed to build up existing roads. And a road will be built off the existing road continuing to the north to the end of the

property line, out to the county road. Supervisor Knutson made a motion to approve the cemetery rules,

seconded by Supervisor Chapman. There were no objections.

The following report was given based on the road review:

South Riddell needs maybe up to 20 loads of gravel using either Antus or Ohotto services. Upon inspection the other roads did not need additional maintenance.

#7971 S. Riddell Rd. 1.75 miles

#7972 A. Johnson Rd. 0.10 miles

#7974 Tonheim Rd. 0.20 miles

#7975 Drangle Rd. 0.10 miles Total 2.15 Miles

The Neva Road is maintained on demand.

The April 11, 2023 regular board minutes were read. A motion was made by Supervisor Chapman to

approve the minutes. Seconded by Supervisor Knutson. There were no objections.

Correspondence:

1. Lake Country Power
2. Timberjay
3. St. Louis County Assoc. of Townships
4. City of Cook Library
- 5 Cook News Herald
6. AT & T
- 7 MAT
8. Catherine Larson
9. Art Unlimited
10. Northwood's True Value

11. St. Louis County Agricultural Society.

12. Friends of the Parks

Treasurer's report from Treasurer Ellie Brunner:

Beg. Bal: \$ 173,646.03 Ending Balance \$147,806.14

Receipts: \$0 Outstanding Checks \$2,696.70

Expenses: \$25,839.89 Bank Balance \$150,502.84

Motion made by Supervisor Knutson, seconded by Supervisor Chapman to approve the treasurer's

report, net pay distribution report and authorize payment of claims. There were no objections.

Committee Reports:

Ambulance – No report.

Fire – No report.

Hospital -Hospital Representative Mike Enzmann reported staffing is still an issue. Most of traffic is out

patient/ ER and Dr. visits. Travel staff is in the Care Center, Imaging, Lab, and Radiology.

Scenic Rivers

has hired two MD's expected start 2025. The MHA Trustee Conference will be held July 13-15, 2023 at

the Arrowhead Resort.

Joint Powers- Former teacher at Northwood's school Rick Pearce who helped to start the school forest

gave some history of the project. He and former Field Township Board Chair Keith Aho and former

Principal John Metsa initiated the school forest program at the Northwood's school. He wanted to clear

up the issue of the septic design and permit bill for \$305. Supervisor Knutson made a motion to pay the

bill, seconded by Supervisor Chapman. There were no objections. Mr Pearce sent the design and permit

to Chairman Enzmann via email. Bruce Black is the current shop teacher at the school and is interested

in the forest project. It was agreed more grant money should be sought after.

Planning and Zoning – The board had no objection to the reclassification of state tax forfeited land

Parcel No. 350-0020-05111.

Hall- The board discussed remodeling the hall - taking the two bathrooms and making one handicap

accessible bathroom with a handicap door into the hall. Electricity, plumbing and heat would need to be

installed.

Broadband - No report.

Old Business – Chairman Enzmann is still working on getting a phone for the township use.

New Business –Deputy Clerk Chapman had information about fire proof bags to possibly store documents in at the hall. There was discussion about their duration with a smoldering fire .And if they

would keep documents from moisture.

Supervisor Knutson attended the St. Louis County Association of Townships Meeting and made some

good contacts who reported on a phone app for sending photos and filling out forms for fire, wind, flood

,snow damage. It appears the township will be getting money for the wind storm damage

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The clerk announced the next regular board meeting will be June 13, 2023, 7 p.m., at the Field Town

Hall.

Supervisor Chapman made a motion to adjourn at 8:22 p.m. Motion seconded by Supervisor Knutson.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Mike Enzmann Clerk Pat Chapman Date: