

Minutes of Field Township's Regular Board Meeting June 13 , 2023 Page 1

The Field Township regular board meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm at the Field Town Hall. There was prayer and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

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

Deputy Clerk Tim Chapman, Guests: Rick Pearce (via phone) , Rick Viita, Kristi Sopoci, Valerie Jari.

The May 9, 2023 board minutes were read. A motion was made by Supervisor Chapman to approve the

minutes. Seconded by Chairman Enzmann. There were no objections.

Correspondence:

1. Lake Country Power
2. MAT
3. St. Louis County Public Works
4. City of Cook Fire Dept.
- 5 Art Unlimited
6. MN State Demographic Center
7. Northern Lights Surveying
8. Josh Antus Construction

Treasurer's report from Treasurer Ellie Brunner:

Beg. Bal: \$147,806.14 Ending Balance : \$143,974.63

Receipts: \$21,565.30 Outstanding Checks \$429.67

Expenses: \$25,396.81 Bank Balance \$144,404.30

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 – Supervisor Chapman read the Cook Fire Dept. report from the dept. training officer. The April monthly training was held at the ST. Louis County building in Cook for a pre-incident planning tour.

The brush truck is ready for up coming grass fire season. The May meeting will be hands on training.

Roads - Supervisor Knutson reported a land owner on Johnson Road would like the township to extend

the Johnson Road to its original location. He will check with the county and MAT.

Hall - Supervisor Knutson will be meeting with the insurance representative to evaluate the hall and

church. Treasurer Brunner said Jay Brunner would meet with Steve Raati about the hall improvements.

Cemetery - Supervisor Knutson reported the fill at the cemetery extension is full of rocks etc and he

made a motion for Josh Antus to bring in loam for a total of \$6,384. Seconded by Supervisor Chapman.

There were no objections. Supervisor Chapman and Deputy Clerk Chapman have made contacts about the church windows but with no response. There is also the possibility of selling them on Craig's list or Ebay.

Joint Powers Board - There was discussion about a toilet at the site. Grants will be needed for an adequate septic system. It was discussed that for immediate needs rent a unit and have Rick Viita prepare a 50 x 50 base area. A motion was made by Supervisor Knutson , seconded by Supervisor

Chapman to have a survey done. There were no objections. And then a site determined for a permanent

septic system. With a septic plan to follow. And with a plan grants can be applied for.

Valerie shared there is DNR equipment which can be used for trail clearing when it is not being used

during fires.

Hospital -Hospital Representative Mike Enzmann reported MN state legislature has allotted \$300 million to nursing homes which will provide an increase of \$12.35 per day for Care Center patients for

the next 18 months.The Hospital Auxiliary donated \$65, 000 for equipment.Two full time lab technicians, a full time radiology technologist and an IT specialist were hired. ftggggggggggg

The CEO

at Scenic Rivers has retired and a replacement hired. Cook Hospital has again partnered with United

Way to provide free lunches Tuesdays in the City Park.

Broadband - No report

Old Business – No report

New Business - No report.

Clerk Chapman announced the next meeting will be July 11, 2023 , 7 pm at the town hall..

Supervisor Chapman made a motion to adjourn at 9:01 p.m. Motion seconded by Supervisor Knutson.

There were no objections.

Chairman Mike Enzmann Clerk Pat Chapman Date: