

Monthly Board Meeting
PARTRIDGE TOWNSHIP
March 9, 2022

Chairman, Matt Klocke called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Those present were Laurie Jorgensen, Lee Johnsen, Ovid Jensen, Matt Klocke and Anne Stitt. Minutes of the last Board Meeting were read. Matt asked if any objections or corrections to the minutes, Ovid said that he was there, minutes are approved as read with Ovid being added to those present. Treasurer's report was read. Beginning balance \$276,392.94 the receipts totaled \$1,813.32 and disbursements of \$3,450.67, to bring our ending balance to \$274,755.59. Outstanding checks of \$999.87 so ending bank balance is \$275,755.46. Matt asked if there are any objections or corrections to the treasurer's report, none being stated, treasurer's report was approved as read. Claims to be paid tonight 7774 to 7780.

Special Visitors:

- None

Board of Canvass for the Township Election was completed. 40 Ballots cast, Supervisor: Lee Johnsen 12, David Durheim 27, Blank 1; Clerk Anne Stitt 35, David Durheim 2, Odey Wicklander 1, Blank 2. The Board of Supervisors certified the votes.

Old Business:

- Ovid talked with Ronny Roberts and he thought he could do the brushing this spring, right now the snow is too deep but when that changes.
- Zoning Administrator, Kathy Morris told the board that she has not received a response from the Sahlen's are the building permit she had contacted them about that they did not submit. The Board would like her to follow up with another letter explaining that a response is needed or the Township will take further steps which would include assessing the permit fee and also administrative fees to their taxes, clerk will let Kathy know.


New Business:

- Fire Contract was received from City of Askov. The amount of the Fire Contract is \$29,724.69. Ovid made a motion to approve the Fire Contract. Lee made a second. Motion carried 3-0.
- Jerry Telker submitted his roadside mowing cost for this year, there was a slight increase, so the cost is \$1,725.00. Lee made a motion to approve this, Ovid made a second. Motion carried 3-0. Clerk will return the response sheet to Jerry Telker.
- Ovid talked to City of Askov Clerk, Kathy Morris about the Town Hall building, it is possible that the City may want to purchase and take over the building. Ovid has previously talked to the Pine County Historical Society about this also. He will continue talks to both of them and see if this is something that can happen. We only use the building now for the Board of Appeal Meeting that the County schedules and holds with us, and for some records. Ovid has moved a lot of the old records over to the Pine County Historical Society and they are housing them for us.
- Saturday March 26th is the Pine County Township Officer's Meeting at 9:00 a.m. at the Hinckley Community Center.

- At the Annual Meeting the Electors voted to give the Board the authority to look at doing maintenance on Tamarack Road by the Purrington's residence. Lee said that Scott Purrington has approached him today and said he didn't want to go further with that. Since the electors have voted the Board must take some type of action. Discussion was held about the process and cost. It was decided that if the Purrington's gain proper easements and bring the road up to Township specifications which would include a turn around for Township equipment then the Township would maintain that stretch of road. The Clerk will send a letter explaining and asking for a response for our records. Lee thought the conversation he had might be good enough, however, the Township needs to take formal action and get a formal response as the Electors had the vote on this at the Annual Meeting.
- Pine County announced that it was awarded a \$75,000.00 from the Blandin Grant to assist in advancing high-speed internet access and use in its local communities. While Partridge Township is not benefiting directly from that grant they will still continue to be involved with the meetings in hopes that we can somehow improve the internet access for our residents.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,


Anne Stitt, Clerk


Matt Klocke, Chairman