## Monthly Board Meeting PARTRIDGE TOWNSHIP May 4, 2022

Chairman, Matt Klocke called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. Those present were Laurie Jorgensen, David Durheim, 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, none being stated they were approved as read. Treasurer's report was read. Beginning balance \$265,737.69 the receipts totaled \$221.84 and disbursements of \$369.43, to bring our ending balance to \$265,590.10. Outstanding checks of \$70.00 so ending bank balance is \$265,660.10. 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 7783 to 7784.

## Old Business:

- Brushing needs to wait until things dry up or it freezes again.
- The Clerk will send the signed minutes of the April meeting along with costs incurred and permit fee to the County Treasurer for the Sahlen permit to be assessed on their taxes.
- The Clerk looked into the sale of the town hall and it does need to hold to the public purpose doctrine, so it may be necessary to sell the property for more than a nominal amount (\$1.00). Although, to government entities (like the city), a nominal give is permitted through the decision by the town board alone. So, if the county historical society is also a government entity, the town could do the same (*See* MS 465.035).
- Board of Appeal was held 4/12, with Clerk, Ovid and Matt attending. 4 properties were discussed. The Clerk asked if we can hold it at the Askov Community Center next year and contacted Lorri Houtsma at the County and she has made the change. This allows for handicap accessibility as one property owner who attended had difficulty stepping up and into the building, it also has WIFI capability which will help the County staff as they can both look things up then. They were using a hotspot at the Town Hall so if one was looking something up, the other person could not.

## New Business:

- The free Legal Seminar put on my Couri & Ruppe is in Rutledge on Sat 9/17 9 am to 4pm. The clerk has registered to attend. At this point no one is sure if they are available.
- Road patrol was conducted prior to this meeting starting. Roberts Excavating has a pile of gravel that is Class 5, the Township has asked him to spread some as a trial to see if it is better than what we purchased last year, if so we will proceed with that. Matt stated that North Pine Aggregate is changing their screen size so they might have a better product, but not sure. Priority is to regravel what was done last year to hopefully get rid of the slippery muddy product and make the roads better to travel on. We are looking into ditching on Low Landing Road (the little bit we maintain), low spot West of 34259 Jackson Road, and Maple Hill Road. Discussion held about Clark Road, reclaiming some of the rock that has washed down in the ditches/pond and putting rip rap on the edges to hopefully prevent erosion.
- Pine County Public Health, in partnership with Essentia Health, invites people to come learn how we can transform our health and well-being, lower costs, and boost the economic vitality of Pine County by becoming a Blue Zones Community. May 12, 5 PM to 7:30 PM, with dinner included. Ovid will be attending.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Anne Stitt, Clerk

Matt Klocke Chairman