

ANNUAL MEETING  
PARTRIDGE TOWNSHIP  
March 10, 2020

The Clerk called the annual meeting to order at 8:08. Those present were Laurie Jorgensen, Ron Jorgensen, Ovid Jensen, Lee Johnsen, Matt Klocke, Gary Stitt, and Anne Stitt.

Pledge of Allegiance recited. Motion made by Lee to have Gary Stitt act as moderator, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ovid, Motion carried 7-0.

Minutes of the 2019 Annual Meeting were read, motion by Lee Johnsen to accept the minutes as read, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ovid Jensen. Motion carried 7-0.

Election results were as follows: Total of 10 Ballots cast, Supervisor Ovid Jensen received 10 votes, Clerk Anne Stitt received 10 votes.

The treasurer's report was read. We had a beginning balance \$158,139.92, receipts totaled \$143,569.78 and disbursements of \$117,250.70 to bring our ending balance of 2019 \$184,459.00. Financial report approved with a motion by Matt Klocke and a second by Ron Jorgensen. Motion passed 7-0.

Discussion was held about the roads. Road Supervisor Lee Johnsen asked Ovid Jensen to speak about the roads. We spread gravel this year of about 2676 yards total, brushing was completed on 1/3 of the roads as is the rotation, roadside mowing was the same as last year, we replaced a few culverts and had more beaver issues. Koland Road was \$1,200 per our road contract with Sandstone Township. Lee said that he was very appreciative of Ovid keeping this report and having figures available to quantify work completed. Gary Stitt asked about possibly putting down more sand when roads get icy, the Board felt that the scratching was more effective and maybe we could look into doing that more if we have another icy year like the past two have been. Ovid said it costs \$150 per time for all 3 railroad crossings to be sanded. Anne Stitt commented that it was necessary to do those and that it makes a huge difference for safety.

Presentation and approval of the levy:

Discussion on the Askov Fire Contract, the fire contract has increased to \$37,418.15.. Ovid said that we will be having another road project this year on Partridge Creek Road, plus if we continue to scratch the icy roads more that will incur more expenses. Lee made a motion that we increase the levy \$3,000.00 to cover the extra expense. Matt Klocke made a second. Motion carried 7-0.

Tax Levy: \$121,000.00

General: \$16,000.00

Road & Bridge: \$63000.00

Fire: \$36,000.00

Zoning: \$5,000.00

Building Maintenance: \$1000.00

Business from the floor:

Ovid asked about the Town Hall, Laurie said someone should contact the MN Historical Society to see if there were any grants to help with the floor sagging issue. Matt Klocke said he would look under the Town Hall sometime this summer and see what we are dealing with but guessing it would be a \$50,000 project.

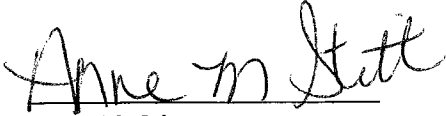
Partridge Township had contracted with Gale Kespohl for our SSTS ordinance, she has retired and the County is going to take that over for the Township. The Public Hearing held by Pine County for this will be March 17 at 10:00 AM at the North Pine Government Center in Sandstone if anyone is interested in attending.

The next regular Board meeting is Wednesday April 1, 2020. The reorganizational meeting is set for Wednesday April 1, 202 at 6:30 at the Askov Community Center. The regular April Board meeting of supervisors will be call to order immediately after the reorganization meeting is adjourned. Public is welcomed to attend.

2021 Annual Election and Meeting is Tuesday March 9, 2021 at 8:00 pm following the Election ballots being counted.

Gary Stitt adjourned the meeting at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Anne M. Stitt". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Anne M. Stitt  
Clerk

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Gary Stitt  
Moderator