

ANNUAL MEETING
PARTRIDGE TOWNSHIP
March 12, 2024

The Clerk called the annual meeting to order at 8:16. Those present were Laurie Jorgensen, Ovid Jensen, Matt Klocke, Scott Peterson, Gary Stitt, and Anne Stitt.

Pledge of Allegiance recited. Motion made by Ovid Jensen to have Gary Stitt act as moderator, 2nd by Scott, Motion carried 6-0.

Minutes of the 2023 Annual Meeting were read, Moderator asked for any additions or corrections, none being stated
Minutes approved as read.

Election results were as follows: Total of 35 Ballots cast, Supervisor Matt Klocke received 35 votes, Clerk Anne Stitt received 35 votes.

The treasurer's report was read. We had a beginning balance \$351,184.75, receipts totaled \$160,486.38 and disbursements of \$225,689.27 to bring our ending balance of 2023 to \$285,981.86. Opened up for questions, none were asked. Moderator asked if they were any additions or corrections, none being stated Treasurer's report was approved as read.

Business from the floor:

Clerk presented requests for donations through written correspondence received from Pine County Historical Society, Seven County Senior Federation, New Pathways Shelter in Cambridge, and Family Pathways. Clerk mentioned that in the past the Township does not make donations, as this is tax payer monies and not ours to donate. Scott Peterson was in agreement with that. Further discussion and everyone agreed no donations would be made from the Township funds.

Road Report

Matt said Koland Road repair cost about \$11,000 last year. Winter storm clean-up was \$30,500 and we received a 75% reimbursement through State Emergency Funds. Looking ahead, we have Jackson Road project on East and West side, needs to be ditched out now that the trees have been cut back and then the road built up, that will cost approximately \$40,000 to \$50,000, and then Fire Tower Road will cost about \$20,000 to put in the ditch and possible turn around for Township contractor's equipment. We are looking at about \$80,000 in road projects this coming year. Clark Road needs a culvert and some ditching. Ovid asked about gravel, and Matt said we have been getting gravel from North Pine and they will probably have to blend with some of Robert's gravel.

Presentation and approval of the levy:

Discussion was held on the road projects coming up, and the fact that costs have increased. The Board at the Board of Review meeting had come up with a suggestion to raise the levy to \$194,500.00 to offset the increase in costs and make sure that we get our road projects covered. Ovid Jensen made a motion to set the levy as below for a total of \$194,500, Scott Peterson made a Second. Motion carried 6-0.

General: \$30,000.00
Road & Bridge: \$125,000.00
Fire: \$34,000.00
Zoning: \$5,500.00
Building Maintenance: \$0.00

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Any Other Comments:

Ovid wanted to know if the Board had looked into appointing the Clerk and Treasurer positions as it had been considered in the past. Matt said yes, they did but didn't get it to the County in time to put it on this Ballot as a question. The question will put on the ballot for next year for people to vote on.

Public Hearing is Wednesday April 3, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. for Zoning Ordinance amendments, the Reorganization Meeting will be called to order immediately after the adjournment of the public hearing, and then the Regular Monthly meeting will be called to order immediately after the Re-organization Meeting is adjourned. Public is welcome to attend.

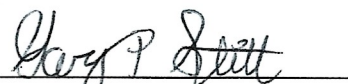
Tuesday 3/11/2025 from 5 to 8pm is the next Township Election and the Annual Meeting will begin once election process is complete.

Gary Stitt adjourned the meeting at 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,



Anne M. Stitt
Clerk



Gary Stitt
Moderator