

Minutes of Regular Township Meeting  
June 8, 2017 at Val Hall

Members present: Stacy Lee, John Kotaska, Dale Koop, Nancy Tofte  
Guests: Don Carr, Joel Rude

The meeting was called to order and the Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Old Business:

Website Update – no new updates.

Town hall building – no new updates.

Minutes:

The minutes from the May 11, 2017 monthly meeting were emailed prior to the monthly meeting. Dale made the motion to accept the minutes as presented and Nancy seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's report was read. There being the following cash balances:

Checking	\$293.47
Savings	\$54,621.93
<u>Investments</u>	<u>\$157,712.42</u>
Total:	\$212,627.82

New Business:

Don Carr – Don came to the Board to present his intention to purchase a 32 acre piece of land along Hwy 59 South. He would like to have 4 acres be zoned commercial to put a photography studio on it. The rest of the acreage he would like to be residential and would plan to put their house on it. The Board will confer with the township attorney on the zoning and conditions that may need to be met in order to follow the zoning ordinance.

Rude Construction – Joel Rude presented the Board with their 2017 price rates. In addition, the Board discussed adding gravel to the roads that are in need of it. Joel went through the list of roads with Nancy and Dale to go over roads that they blade and roads that they gravel for the township. Dale made a motion to accept the 2017 blading rates. Nancy seconded the motion and it carried.

The 2017 rates are as follows:

Road Blading	\$95.00/hour
Snow Plowing	\$95.00/hour
Labor Motor Grader	\$5.00/hour
Crushed gravel for roadways	\$10.25/cubic yard

The Board received the new contract for the Pennington County blading and mowing. Nancy made a motion to accept the new rates. Dale seconded the motion and it carried. The rates are as follows:

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Motor grader, blading, plowing snow etc	\$100.00/hour
Truck tandem axel	\$100.00/hour
Mowing	\$90.00/hour
Loaders & backhoe	\$100.00 /hour
Minimum charge, blading, plowing, etc	\$60.00

Danni Jarshaw – Danny Jarshaw mailed the Board his 2017 price rates along with his certificate of liability insurance. Dale made a motion to accept the 2017 blading rates. Nancy seconded the motion and it carried.

The 2017 rates are as follows:

2006 John Deer batwing mower	\$35.00 a mowing mile \$70.00 a mile with two ditches \$80.00 per hour for ditch bottoms
2005 Caterpillar Skidsteer on rubber tracks (brush mower)	\$85.00 per hour
1995 Hydro Ax with 8ft heavy brush mower for trees and large brush	\$180.00 per hour
1991 John Deer with Diamond mowers side arm 50in mower – 18 foot reach For heavy brush, trees, and grass cutting	\$85.0 per hour
2003 Komatsu 220 excavator with mulching attachment for trees, stumps and brush	\$165.00 per hour

Larry Korpi (Second Nature Greenhouse & Property Maintenance) – mowing the townhall property. The rates will stay the same as in the past. Dale made a motion to accept the 2017 blading rates. Nancy seconded the motion and it carried. The rates are as follows:

\$50 per hour

Zoning permits – There were no new zoning permits.

Shortcourse Registration – June 27<sup>th</sup> – Nancy and John plan to go to the meeting. Stacy will send in the early registration.

TRF Fire Dept. purchase of Grass Skid Unit – Nancy received a letter from the TRF fire department concerning the purchase of grass skid unit used to fight grass fires. The entire cost of the unit is \$12,315. Rocksbury's portion (34%) is \$4187.00. Dale made a motion to pay \$4187.10 for the township's portion of this unit. Nancy seconded the motion and it carried. The township will be billed by the City of Thief River Falls.

Road inspection – Wed. June 28 at 8:00 a.m.

Bank – Dale made a motion to designate Northern State Bank as the designated depository of the public funds for the Township of Rocksbury with pledge securities as follows: FDIC Insurance guaranty \$250,000, Federal home loan bank \$100,000 and 300,000. Nancy seconded the motion and it carried.

Bills:

The following bills were presented and paid. Dale made a motion to accept and pay the following bills. Nancy seconded the motion and it passed:

PERA	June Meeting	\$66.66
Rude Construction	May Blading	\$2,849.71
Red Lake Electric	April Billing	\$39.77
Pennington County Hwy	March Blading	\$335.00
Ihle Sparby & Hasse	Attorney fees	\$921.00
Stacy Lee	Stamps	\$49.00
Wage Claims		\$623.67

Adjourn:

Dale made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Nancy seconded the motion and it carried.

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Stacy Lee, Clerk

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Board Member