Minutes of Annual Township Meeting March 11, 2014 at Val Hall

The Annual meeting of Rocksbury Township was called to order by Stacy Lee at 8:00 pm on Tuesday, March 11, 2014 at Val Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Township residents present: Robert Wald, John Kotaska, Dale Koop, Luverne Sorter, Matthew Samuelson, Stacy Lee, Nancy Tofte, John Tofte, Sue Dupree and Harold Dupree.

Robert Wald nominated Harold Dupree to be the meeting moderator. Nancy Tofte seconded the nomination and called for nominations to cease. The motion carried. Harold Dupree was elected moderator.

2013 Minutes

The minutes of the 2013 annual meeting were read. John Tofte made a motion to approve the minutes. Robert Wald seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report

A motion was made by Nancy Tofte, seconded by Dale Koop to waive the reading of all the checks written and received and to read only a synopsis. The motion carried. The 2013 Treasurer's Report was read by Stacy Lee who also explained the financial reports to the constituents present at the meeting.

Road Report

Gravel was added to many of the township roads during the year as needed. \$11,077.11 was spent on gravel for the roads this year.

Levy

Stacy Lee indicated that there is no longer a minimum amount for the Road and Bridge levy in order for the township to qualify for the gas tax funds in 2016. Nancy Tofte made a motion to set the levy the same as the last year at \$75,000, with \$35,000 for the General Fund and \$40,000 for the Road and Bridge. Dale Koop seconded the motion and it passed. The motion carried and the levy was set at \$75,000 for 2016.

Town Hall

A discussion occurred concerning the condition and future of the existing town hall. Bob Wald explained that the foundation in the basement is cracked and bowing out. In addition, the windows and shingles are also in need of replacing. Bob explained that the cost of repairs could be quite high and it is time to start thinking of replacing the existing building. He provided a general drawing of a proposed new building. Suzanne Browning questioned whether the elections could ever move to the more central location of the Ralph Engelstad Arena. If so, she suggested that a more convenient location could be rented in Thief River Falls to hold the monthly meetings, therefore, ending the need to have a Town Hall. John Tofte made a motion for the Rocksbury Board to proceed with building and financing of a town hall. Bob Wald seconded the motion and it carried.

Other Business

Dale Koop made a motion to maintain the gopher bounty at \$4.00. Nancy Tofte seconded the motion and it carried.

John Kotaska made a motion to continue with The Times as the official newspaper for publishing Rocksbury Township notices. John Tofte seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Nancy Tofte made a motion to set the time for the annual meeting next year at 8:00 pm. Robert Wald seconded the motion and it carried. The annual meeting for next year will be on Tuesday, March 10, 2015.

Trish Kalvoda, Sue Dupree, and Harold Dupree ser	ved as election judges.
Adjourn: Nancy Tofte made the motion to adjourn the meeting The meeting concluded at 8:30 p.m.	ng. John Kotaska seconded it. The motion carried.
Stacy Lee, Clerk	Moderator