

Moe Township
Annual Meeting, March 10, 2015

The meeting was called to order by the Clerk, Todd Egenes after the polls were declared closed at or about 8:15pm. The POA was given.

Nominations were opened for Moderator. Hardy Huettl was nominated by Rod Johnson, seconded by Cathy Johnson. A motion was made to cease nominations. By a show of hands Hardy Huettl was selected and took the chair of Moderator.

The Agenda was proposed. A motion and second was made to accept the agenda as proposed. (m- Keith Ramsey, s- Bonnie Huettl, v- unan.)

The Clerk read the rules for the meeting and proceeded into the minutes of the previous annual meeting in 2014. Also, the results of the Board of Canvass of 2014 were reported. A motion was made to accept the minutes and report as read. (m- Lynn Bushard, s- Keith Ramsey, v- unan.)

REPORTS

Garfield Fire Department request for fire protection.

Keith Ramsey was present to represent the Garfield Fire Department. Several of the departments funding sources were discussed. Also mentioned was the dry hydrant on Lobster Lake just off Hwy 114 where posts will be put up in the spring to prevent possible damage to the dry hydrant from people who have been using it to access the lake this winter. Keith presented the Garfield Fire Department's funding request for 2016. A motion was made to approve the amount being asked of **\$23,544.55** (m- Bonnie Huettl, s- Arlene Bushard, v- unan.)

Brandon Fire Department request for fire protection.

Brandon Fire Chief Ben Rusch was in attendance to represent the Brandon Fire Department. He explained some of the department needs in the coming years and reported that they are requesting an amount of **\$9,498.80** for 2016. A motion was made to approve the amount. (m- Rod Johnson, s- Keith Ramsey, v- unan.)

Holmes City First Responders

The Clerk read the contract sent by Holmes City First Responders. A motion was made to give **\$1,600.00** in 2016. (m- Bonnie Huettl, s- Arlene Bushard, v- unan.)

Lakes Area Recreation request for funds.

In the absence of a representative from LAR, the Clerk read the request from LAR and announced the dollar amount requested for the coming year. A motion

was made to contribute the requested amount of \$982.50 but to also request stats showing how many of the township residents participated in the various LAR programs. (m- Fred Krafthefer, s- Rod Johnson, v- unan.)

Financial Report by the Treasurer

Florence Chlian gave the report. No discussion followed; therefore, a motion was made to approve the report as given. (m- Keith Ramsey, s- Cathy Johnson, v- unan.)

Official Depository and Newspaper

A motion was made to retain the Bremer Bank and the Echo Press as the official depository and official newspaper. (m- Bonnie Huettl, s-Lynn Bushard, v- unan.)

Date, Time & Place of next Annual Election and Meeting

The consensus of the meeting was to hold the election and meeting on the date set up by State Statute, March 8th, 2016, with the polls being open from 5:00 to 8:00 with the annual meeting following.

Budget Proposal

The proposed 2016 budget was presented. A motion was made to accept the 2016 proposed budget of \$313,100.00 as presented. Note: Please refer to the Annual Financial Report, handed out at meeting, for details. (m- Myron Loftquist, s- Bonnie Huettl, v- unan)

Dust Control

The Clerk explained the procedure the past couple of years which is that most of Tall Timbers will receive dust control and all other residents must submit to the clerk, a request in writing, listing their name and address. Dust control is applied on a first come first serve basis until the chloride runs out. Discussion followed. Consensus of the voters was to repeat the procedure of last year. A deadline for requests will be determined by the Board.

Town Hall

The clerk explained some of the concerns regarding the state's polling place requirement as well as some of the maintenance issue to include the floor will need to have new supports installed, the furnace will need at a minimum a new burner, the roof has been letting snow in. Additionally, only having an outhouse has made it difficult at time to find people willing to serve as election judges. Plus we don't believe even the outhouse would pass as being handicap accessible.

A few quotes had been obtained, with 1 option being adding on to the existing structure an 8x8 handicap compliant restroom, heating, a well and holding tank for about \$41,000. Two other quotes had been obtained for building a new 30x40 hall with restroom(s) which ranged from \$67,000 to \$87,000 with the difference being the number of restrooms and heating options.

After discussion the board was asked to compile a complete list of costs to repair and add a restroom to the current facility as well as costs to build a new facility with compliant restrooms. This could be discussed during the regular meeting and once a detailed comparison is complete a letter could be sent out to residents explaining this as well as listing a special meeting date and time to discuss in more detail.

Other Business pertinent to Moe Township

With no other business to discuss, a motion was made to adjourn. (m- Keith Ramsey, s- Cathy Johnson, v- unan.)

Respectfully submitted by,

Todd Egenes, Clerk

Board of Canvass
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Lynn Bushard called the Board of Canvas meeting to order. All members were present. At this time, the Board accepted the results of the election earlier this day. The results are as follows:

One Supervisor for a three year term
Rod Johnson received 16 votes out of 16 votes cast.

One Treasurer for a two year term
Florence Chlian received 16 votes out of 16 votes cast.

A motion was made to declare Rod Johnson and Florence Chlian newly elected. (m- Fred Krafthefer, s- Rod Johnson, v- unan)

A motion was made to adjourn. (m- Rod Johnson, s- Fred Krafthefer, v- unan.)

Respectfully submitted by,

Todd Egenes, Clerk