

## Carpenter Regular Board Meeting Minutes – August 16, 2022

Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance at **7:00 p.m.** by **Larry Salmela**

**Attendance: Board: Salmela, Presley, Nelson; Treasurer Hill, Clerk Sagedahl, Deputy absent, Guests: John Skalko, Darcy Nelson and Bruce Scofield**

Comments from the public\_\_\_\_\_

1. Approve minutes of the July 12, 2022, board meeting.

**Donald Nelson moved to approve the minutes, Alan Presley supported. Decision: Carried**

2. Treasurer's report. See Treasurer Vicki Hill's monthly report.

**Alan Presley moved to accept the Treasurer's report. Donald Nelson supported. Decision: Carried**

3. Review Claims and Pay Bills.

**a. Alan Presley moved to review the Claims numbers 7077 through 7090 inclusive, and pay these bills. Donald Nelson supported. Decision: Carried**

**b. Claims 7091 through 7095 are payroll and do not appear on the Claims list for approval. Donald Nelson moved to pay these claims Alan Presley supported. Decision: Carried**

**c. Alan Presley moved to pay the Lake Country Power bill of \$166.26 as Claim No. 7096. Donald Nelson supported. Decision: Carried.**

4. **Old Business**

**a. Reclaiming gravel from the shoulder of the roads – conversation with the county highway engineer. – *Larry talked to Ryan Sutherland of the Highway Engineer's office and during the spring months the county plow will reclaim the gravel from the edges of the township road.***

**b. Website design – GovOffice – quote/information – *Larry reported the GovOffice quote was \$4,000. Larry will look at other options that are less expensive, such as Paul Bunyan.***

- c. **Superintendent Reports**

i. **Roads – east.**

**a. *Alan talked to Bill Hill and he will dig in a culvert but was delayed due to weather. They will look at purchasing the culvert from L & L Rental and put it on the Nelson Road.***

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 ii. Roads – west –

- a. Provision for turn-around at the end of the South Pickerel Road – **Larry met with the county and suggested widening the turnaround area. The County provided the attached Turnaround agreement, which Deb will mail to the landowner to see if they will sign the agreement.**

**Alan said that he talked to Powell about the gravel needed on the roads and Powell is really busy and hasn't given Al a quote yet. Discussion to contact other contractors for the gravel, 1<sup>st</sup> Al will contact Clayton McCue and 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Jerulle. Alan and Donald will show where to place gravel on the East roads and Larry will show the west roads.**

## iii. Buildings and Grounds

- a. Lighting upgrade quote - **No quote as of today, August 16, 2022. Alan suggested contacting Bill Hill for the lighting upgrade and John Skalko suggested North American in Chisholm.**

b. **Paul Bunyan put in cable line. Larry will be meeting with them on August 17 at the hall to decide where to put cable / modem in the building. Paul Bunyan said the sign at the end of the road may be wired incorrectly and Larry will talk with the electrician about changing the sign wiring.**

c. **Tim Boorman is looking for his 200 foot tape measure. Don has it and will return to Tim, and Don will buy a new one for the hall.**

## d. John Skalko –

i. **John put up culvert numbers and will add a number 4 on the double culvert on South Pickeral Road.**

ii. **Scofield Road – was never numbered and will leave it with no number.**

iii. **Nelson Road – “dead end road” sign post needs to be replaced. John will look at it and fix it and order a locate from gopher1 and move the sign closer to the road intersection so it can be seen.**

iv. **At the cemetery John has fixed some stones, but tree stumps need to be removed. To save on costs, Don Nelson believes he can remove the stumps for \$200.00.**

**Alan Presley moved to hire Donald Nelson for \$200.00 to remove the couple of tree stumps at the cemetery. Larry Salmela supported. Call to vote:**

**Alan Presley – yes**

**Larry Salmela – yes**

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**Donald Nelson – yes**

**Decision: Carried**

**Deb will draft the conflicts contract for Don and the board to sign at the next meeting.**

**v. John called Clayton McCue for a quote on black dirt and will bring the bill to the next meeting. John will also buy grass seed.**

**vi. John will not get to the head stones this year.**

**vii. John reported that the sewer tank has 1 ½ feet so is disappearing somewhere and working so far. John will put some enzyme treatment into the septic.**

**viii. John is still picking up branches at the town hall from the past storms.**

e. **Cemetery:**

i. Cemetery repair of footstones and headstones. **See John Skalko's report above.**

**5. New business**

a. Town Hall Rental Applications – **None.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **moved to authorize** \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ **supported. Decision:** \_\_\_\_\_

**b. Environmental permits – Homeowner – Duitsman for a new septic.**

**c. Arvig Fiber Optic – see attached map – Larry reported that Arvig is installing in the Bigfork and Effie area and as shown on the attached map.**

**d. Minnesota Association of Townships District 11 meeting notice for August 24, 2022 by zoom**

**e. Ditch mowing quote from Rick Schindler – Cal Contracting – see attached.**

**Alan Presley moved to hire Rick Schinder of Cal Contracting to mow ditches based on his quote of \$2,500.00, Donald Nelson supported. Decision: Carried Larry will contact Rick to tell him to mow ditches.**

**f. Itasca County Recreation Resources Survey – Should we complete the survey? **No action.****

**g. Larry's items - Nothing**

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*h. Don's items ... Nothing*

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*i. Alan's items ... Went to weed training at the county.*

*j. Deb's items-* **i.** Computers have some security protection through Microsoft 365 Family plan that we purchased in December, 2021 and must renew each year.

**ii.** Lakes Gas rate will be \$1.959 per gallon.

**6. Adjourn:** Alan Presley moved to adjourn at 8:23 p.m. Donald Nelson supported. Decision: Carried

**7. Supporting documents:**

a. This agenda (3)

b. July 12, 2022, board meeting minutes ( 4 )

c. Treasurer's report (1)

d CTAS list of claims for payment this month from vendors and individuals. ( \_ )

e. Arvig Fiber Optic map (2)

f MAT zoom notice (1)

g. Cal Contracting bill (1)

h. Itasca County Recreation survey (2)

i. Microsoft computer security information (1)