

Next Board Meeting is August 20, 2013

### F.Y.I. Towns under 2,500 Population Expenditure Requirements

\$0 - \$10,000 Open Market      \$10,000 - \$35,000 Two Quotes      Above \$35,000 Sealed Bids

#### **Board members:**

William Norris, Chairman

John Krueger, Supervisor

Dennis Sazama, Supervisor

Carol Nelson, Clerk

Karen Marthaler, Treasurer

arrived at 8:56

**Audience:** Kathy Stompro

Greg Stompro

Torey Sonnenberg

Lyle Smith      Odell Nelson

Darrel Nordick

Allan Damman

Doug Ackling

John Williamson

1. Supervisor Norris called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance

2. Agenda: several additions were needed.

a. Clerk's reports of special hearings on Devil's Lake Road & Engstrom Beach Road need to be read, corrected & approved.

b. Kathy & Greg Stompro, Devil's Lake Road, are here to request easement permission for the installation of a new septic system.

c. Residents on East Little McDonald Drive would like to know the possibility of returning that road to a hard surface road, rather than gravel.

d. Ray Ziegler, Devil's Lake Road, would like to know how the removal of dirt from his property will be done without causing much damage. Krueger made the motion to approve the corrected agenda, Norris 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved 2/0

3. Bounties: OOOO

4. Road Report:

Contractor – T. Sonnenberg reported that the ditch mowing will be done this week.

Poison ivy is still really bad on the shoulders of many Edna Twp. roads. Using a brush killer to control it might be helpful.

Motion made by Krueger, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Norris is "Norris will contact Sazama & make something happen towards eradication of poison ivy. Motion approved 2/0. When Sazama joined this meeting, he reported that he was not able to find a spray that would only kill poison ivy.

#### Repairs

a. Spring Road report from May: MN St, 423/not, Fawn Oaks/not, East Big McDonald brushing/not, Ditch 25/yes, East Paul Lake/yes, Seclusion Point/yes, 2 potholes on Devil's Lake Road need to be filled. Krueger made motion for Norris to hire someone to do the necessary brushing work. Norris 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved 2/0. Howard's Driveway intends to complete the contracted work, perhaps the week of 8/27.

b. Stompro's are requesting an easement to repair their septic system. The work will be done by Eric Reuther. This system is on Devil's Lake Road. The old tank was too close to the house. New septic will be on Stompro property. Otter Tail County agrees with the plan. Norris made the motion that if Otter Tail Cty. does not object, Edna Twp. does not object. Krueger 2<sup>nd</sup>. Norris will inspect & get resolution signed.

c. Engstrom Beach Road is shared between Edna & Dora Township. Dora Supervisors presented quotes from Schroeder Gravel & North Central. That quote was for 100 feet of road work. 1. Use backhoe to remove the shoulder to the far edge 3 ft. wide, 3ft deep, 2. fill with new gravel, 30ton of riprap 3. \$13,068/100 feet x 600 to 1000 feet of road. There is now a hole about 2 'x 2', deep, where the tar has started to sink. Norris made motion to accept Schroeder's bid for riprap on Engstrom beach road at 50/50 cost sharing with Dora Twp., including any necessary black top repair. It is important to put some safety cones in place, work to start after Labor Day. Krueger 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved 2/0.

d. Devil's Lake Road: Norris has 3 quotes for Devil's Lake road = Ackling/10,000x\$6/yd., erosion fabric, repaired, seeded = \$63,000 North Central/10,000 x &\$7 = \$77,500. Sonnenberg's quote of is \$7.50/yard is incomplete. The project is awarded to lowest responsible bidder. Ray Ziegler will sell the borrow from his property to Edna Twp. Contractor doing the work would pay any compensation for damage done to the hill. Krueger made the motion to accept the Ackling bid and begin the project ASAP. Norris 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved 2/0. Krueger proposes Ziegler to instruct Ackling on how to proceed w/the least amount of damage.

e. East Little McDonald Drive – is high, dry, & dust treated. There is still asphalt underneath the gravel. *This is Step 1 of a lengthy process.* This is a project that will require sealed bids, bonding & assessments. Krueger requests that North Little McDonald Drive be included in this process. [Is it possible to request bids include mailbox replacement for residents/swing away mailboxes.] Norris has spoken to the MN Association of Townships.

a. If Edna took the overlay off & reclaimed the asphalt, there would be no charge to property owners.

b. If Edna Twp. is planning to create a new road, discussions with residents are necessary. Residents could agree to be assessed for 50% of the replacement costs. It costs approximately \$100,000 to relay a road. Does Edna want to scrape off the gravel & put in new tar? In the future, will Edna Township need to tar that road again? Residents at this meeting have mixed opinions. Edna Twp. will need a legal, written opinion. If the road is rebuilt, it must be to Edna Twp. requirements. Current Supervisors believe taking the gravel out does not make sense. It would lower the road height, adding the continued risk of flooding. Residents would have the option creating a petition, with signatures, & requesting a special hearing. An audience member's comment claims that residents on North Little McDonald Drive have been filling in their ditches. A resident of East Little McDonald Drive questioned if that option was available to them. "Otter Tail Cty. requires permits to add fill. That is not a decision made by Edna Twp's Board." was the Supervisor's response. Supervisor Krueger made the motion that Edna Twp. will begin to research preliminary cost assessments to pave East & North Little McDonald. Norris 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved 2/0.

#### 5. Clerk's Reports:

a. Krueger made motion to accept Clerk's report as written for 6/18/13. Norris 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved 2/0

b. Devil's Lake Road Report, June 30, 2013, 1:00 p.m. – Norris made the motion to accept the Clerk's report for that meeting as written, Krueger 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved 3/0.

c. Engstrom Beach Road Report, 6/30/13 4 p.m. – Norris moved to approve as written, Sazama 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved 3/0.

#### 6. Treasurer's Report:

June expenditures were \$7,620.67, June's revenue was \$168,657.56. Current working cash balance is \$280,920.72.

Norris made the motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Sazama 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved 3/0

#### 7. Claims for Payment: Discuss & approve/not approve.

Krueger reviewed Ackling's, Arntson's, & Swanston's claims for accuracy. Krueger made motion to approve claims for payment. Sazama 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved 3/0

#### 8. Public comments & correspondence:

Received a thank you note from Larry Mollins & Family for application of dust control to Kerb's road.

Lyle Smith thanked the Board for putting in bigger culvert on Devil's Lake Road.

#### 9. Unfinished business:

a. Norris wrote a personal check for \$400.00 to repay Edna Twp. for dust control application on Teal Lane. Krueger made motion to accept Norris's payment. Sazama 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved 2/0. Norris abstained.

b. Krueger made the motion to authorize Ackling Construction to add a load of rock with riprap placed at the culvert openings.

c. The Highway 108 right of way is washing sand onto Edna Twp. road when it rain. A Supervisor could talk to State DOT. It is their sand. The loose sand & gravel makes the road dangerous to motorcyclists. Who is responsible for building an approach?

#### 10. New Business:

MN. Pollution Control requires a payment of \$400 for a required permit for the construction planned for Devil's Lake Road. Norris made the motion to write out the check at this time in payment. Sazama 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved 3-0.

#### 11. Administrative Business:

Web Site –clerk & treasurer reports have been sent, Norris will download.

#### 12. Other:

13: Adjourn Meeting at 9:19 :

**CLAIMS PAID IN JULY**

Karen Marthaler	Meetings & earnings	\$285.53
Carol Nelson	Meetings & earnings	\$369.52
Carol Nelson	repayment for work done by Arvig	\$168.13
	Connecting computer to wireless & printer	
Sonnenberg Road Maintenance	Grading	\$2,237.25
PERA	Retirement for public employees	\$301.00
Arntson's Construction	Crack filling on asphalt roads	\$12,375.00
Dunn Transfer	Moving 5 pallets of material to Arntson	\$200.00
North Central	Application of dust control chemicals	\$5,895.00
Swanston Equipment	Materials for crack filling	\$7,200.00
Ackling Construction	materials & labor for Devil's Lake Road	\$12,355.50
	& Dust control on other roads	
MN Pollution Control	permit for Devil's Lake Road	\$VOID
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$41,386.93</b>