

ELLSBURG TOWNSHIP - ST. LOUIS COUNTY
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REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
January 2009

Ellsburg Township Monthly Board Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm on January 20, 2009 by Chairman Kevin Cavanaugh. The pledge of allegiance was said. Board members present were: Supervisor Keith Fulcher, Supervisor Jeff Musburger, Clerk Annette Millsop, Treasurer Shelly Stallcop and Deputy Clerk Debbie Leppala. Guests: None

Clerks Minutes: Motion was made by Keith Fulcher to accept the minutes they read, seconded by Jeff Musburger. Motion carried.

Old Business: Keith Fulcher said he is still having a problem with the old web provider and he talked to Karolyn Boucher who suggested we could get a new domain name and it would either be ELLSBURG TOWNSHIP.COM/or.GOV. IPOWER will not change it and will not talk to Keith Fulcher. We could switch it to another domain name but would have to keep it until the new one is set up. The board agreed and Keith Fulcher will work with Karolyn Boucher to accomplish this. Keith Fulcher also asked to put Karolyn Boucher on payroll for \$50.00 a month to teach Annette Millsop and Keith Fulcher about updating and new web pages and bring in new ideas for giving us more help in bringing new people to view the site. Jeff Musburger made a motion to accept Karolyn Boucher help for at least 1 year, Keith Fulcher seconded it, motion carried.

Keith Fulcher said he tried to get a hold of the Morton Building Company and did not find out any dollar amounts yet. He will get a ball park figure and bring information by going directly to the company and bring it to the next meeting. Jeff Musburger said we may have money available from sources and now would be a good thing as long as we don't have to use a lot of our own money and get grants. Keith Fulcher will keep us posted.

The record book for Shelly Stallcop was purchased.

Posting boxes were made and Ray Leppala will get paid today.

Treasurer Report: Shelly Stallcop said the November cash balances were changed because of the voided check and Decembers cash balances also. The copies are on the last page of the reports.

Beginning Balance:	\$43,178.08
Receipts:	\$48,180.72
Disbursements:	\$21,871.27
Total:	\$69,487.53

Jan Jackson will be paid today \$7,800.00 for her one year contract. She hasn't sent a new one yet. We will also pay the Chronicle \$600.00 for the year. The power bill is for two months. Keith Fulcher made a motion to accept the bills as presented, second by Jeff Musburger. Motion carried. Shelly Stallcop also said the mail boxes by Blackburn and Mink roads have been taken out three times and she wondered if the board could take care of the problem. Keith Fulcher will look into it.

Correspondence: Keith Fulcher will have name changed for the United States Census Board to his name.

New Business:

Acceptance of Judges for Annual Meeting: Keith Fulcher, Annette Millsop, Gregory Millsop, Stanley Pererson, Virginia Peterson, Phyllis Hauck, Jeff Musburger, Becky Musburger and Jane Johnston.

Motion to accept Kevin Cavanaugh, seconded by Jeff Musburger; motion carried.

Kevin Cavanaugh said he had some complaints about the clerk being out front at the elections and people eating who were not judges. He said we have rules to follow and we need to set a good example to our residents about what elections are all about. Annette Millsop agreed to stay in the office and only be in the front at times for judges to eat in the kitchen and if a problem arises. Jeff Musburger said there will probably be changes to the elections since all the problems have happened and we should be prepared for them. All the rules must be followed at all times. Annette Millsop may have to be in the office if they have early voting in the next election.

Keith Fulcher will speak at the annual meeting about the new building and the web site, Jeff Musburger will speak on the road and bridge and Kevin Cavanaugh will speak on the Cemetery. Jeff Musburger has a clarification about his belief in the things he says at the meetings, he is not picking on anyone or specific topics he just has his own ideas and sometimes he can get stubborn. Everyone on the board works well together and we accomplish a lot.

Jeff Musburger also brought up that he has Cobra for his dental insurance and he noticed MAT insurance would cost less, but there has to be at least two members of the board sign up to be able to get it. Keith Fulcher and Kevin Cavanaugh will give an answer next meeting.

Jeff Musburger also asked if anyone is interested in going to Lobby Day at the capitol on February 10th. Keith Fulcher said he would possibly want to go and the bus would leave from Cotton on that day.

Debbie Leppala said there is a very bad virus going around for the computers.

Motion to adjourn by Keith Fulcher seconded by Kevin Cavanaugh at 3:57pm.