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Regular Board Meeting
August 25,2009

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jeff Musburger at 3:00pm. The pledge of Allegiance was said by all. Board members present were: Vice Chair Keith Fulcher; Supervisor Kevin Cavanaugh; Clerk Annette Millsop; Treasurer Shelly Stallcop and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Debbie Leppala. Guests: Lee Voigt.

Clerks Minutes: Read and accepted with changes: Tracy Excavating Inc. doing the drain tiles on the fire hall and Jim Lippitt doing the sidewalk. Also letter to county for change to Arizona Road not Arizona Road East.
Guest: Nothing

Treasurer Report: Shelly Stallcop reported:

Beginning Balance:	\$39,176.45
Receipts:	\$62,351.00
Disbursements:	\$23,409.27
Total Ending Balance:	\$78,118.18

Jeff Musburger asked if we could see the check from last year balance from St Louis County to compare the totals. Debbie Leppala showed him we had an increase but it may have been from back taxes being paid. Jeff Musburger also would like the totals for all of Rodda Grading and Excavating for the year. Debbie Leppala will make a spread sheet for him for reporting his hours and jobs done. Kevin Cavanaugh made a motion to accept the treasurer's report; Keith Fulcher seconded. Motion carried.

Correspondance: Mike Peterson from Wells Fargo had a road problem with Pearson Drive; St. Louis County Levy; Letter to St. Louis County about Cackleberry Road was sent; U.S. Census for homeless.

Old Business: Keith Fulcher talked to Faye Michelson and it will be St. Louis County's job to figure out what happens to Cackleberry Road.

Keith Fulcher and Kevin Cavanaugh both said the short course didn't bring anything new.

Township Roads: Jeff Musburger said Rodda knows his business. He rode with him while he worked and he puts a crown on them and got rid of grass. There was a problem of a washout that he fixed in a very timely manner. Keith Fulcher and Kevin Cavanaugh like his work as well. Jeff Musburger said he has a problem on Blackburn with a hill with a steep drop-off. This is not our land and we will need to send a letter to Tim Linder about removing it. We will need to get a signed copy of the removal of the hills. We also had Tracy Excavating Inc. put in a new culvert by the Melrude Pub. Keith Fulcher said Aardvark has removed the satellite from the grounds by the Melrude Hall as he needed them for another job. Jeff Musburger said we need signs for No Parking on the West Bass Hall and he will take care of this. He will also take care of the culvert issue by the inlet on Mink road. The county was saying it belongs to our township and we need to replace it. Kevin Cavanaugh would like a sign by the Melrude Hall for Children Playing and cars are going too fast on the road for safety.

Melrude Hall Renovations: Keith Fulcher will talk to the Fire Department next week about things they would like to have done. He will have Jim Lippitt take a look at it for expert advice. The lawyers at the short course said no for the Clerk and Treasure to get a vote. Reservations for the Annual MAT convention are made at the Kahler Grand Hotel in Rochester and cancellations can be done 24hours

before the 19th of November. We have been having a problem with the Web site and Outlook Express in the office. If it continues Debbie Leppala said we would have to delete it and reinstall the program. Keith Fulcher will talk to Karolyn Boucher about the new web site for the lakes and get it up and running. Annette Millsop will post a notice for Snow Removal Applicants. The deadline will be the 28th of September.

The date of the next town meeting will be September 29th at 3:00pm.

Kevin Cavanaugh bent the hooks and fixed the swings and also the tunnel for the jungle gym with board reinforcements.

The cemetery board will meet today and talk about changes for the book and being notified for burials and monument placements. Jeff Musburger will paint the cross at the cemetery. Kevin Cavanaugh will sand and paint the flag pole and Larry Peterson will paint the two front doors. The school will hold elections and referendum in November.

Keith Fulcher made a motion to adjourn; Kevin Cavanaugh seconded, motion carried at 3:55pm.