

**ELLSBURG TOWNSHIP
1767 MELRUDE ROAD, P.O. BOX 308
MELRUDE, MN. 55766**

Regular Board meeting:

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm on September 29, 2009 by Chair Jeff Musbuger. Board members present were Chair Jeff Musburger, Supervisor Keith Fulcher, Supervisor Kevin Cavanaugh, Treasurer Shelly Stallcop and Dep. Clerk Debbie Leppala. The Clerk Annette Millsop was not present. The pledge was said.

There were no guests present. The Dep. Clerk read the minutes of the last meeting, Keith Fulcher motioned and second by Kevin Cavanaugh, motion carried to accept the minutes.

Treasurers report as follows:

Beginning Balance:	\$78,118.18
Receipts:	\$3,861.74
Disbursements:	\$3,793.97
Ending Balance:	\$78,185.95

Keith Fulcher made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, Kevin Cavanaugh second, motion carried. The treasurer presented the bill for payment; there was discussion about the credit card bill and the fact that the credit card company put a late fee on the bill. Keith Fulcher spoke to the credit card company about changing the date when we receive the bill, so that it is here before the meeting. But they will not discuss the change until the bill has been paid, so in approximately 5 days Keith will speak to them again. Keith Fulcher made a motion and Kevin Cavanaugh second to pay the bills, motion carried. Correspondence was reviewed, There was discussion on the MATIT Insurance, the board went over the changes that Debbie went over with Kristen M. from MATIT, the board said that they were just fine and to let Kristen go ahead with the changes.

There was an e-mail from Vickie Wheeler asking the board to look at or who to contact regarding road maintenance on Round Lake Spur. The board said that is not a town road, and that she needs to contact the county. Debbie will reply to her and let her know that.

The culvert on Mink Road has a hole in it and Jeff Musburger spoke with Amy from the DNR and the county, the county will fix that culvert. Jeff spoke to Victor Lund about the road sign and let him know that they are on the wrong side; they fixed that sign and added more road signs for the township. Jeff will order no parking signs for the fire hall. Keith has not contacted Karolyn B on the web site. He will get to that this week.

Mason sent in his application for the snow shoveling this year. Keith Fulcher made a motion to except Mason's application at \$10.00 an hour, Jeff Musburger second, with Kevin abstaining. Motion carried. The painting will get taken care of at a later date, whether this year or the beginning of next.

Concerns on the fire hall, there was discussion on the fire hall on Melrude Road and the lack of space. There is a need for a small storage building or garage to house the sled and an ATV when they get one. Annette gave the board a diagram and spoke to Jim Lippitt about an estimate. Keith will talk to Jim Lippitt some more about this building. Keith got a call from Stan on the water softener and said there is no salt for the water softner, Culligan will be called and put on keep fill for the salt.

Cemetery committee should be reviewed at each year's budget; the cemetery committee will receive a meeting wage. Jeff will talk to Becky about adding another column to the time sheets for cemetery work.

Keith mentioned about the NATAT annual conference for 2011, that Minnesota will be the host state and that the town should consider putting the trip into their budget.

Keith F. printed out the report for Fire Relief Assoc. payments and Ellsburg will receive from the state, \$2585.00, the township will match that for the relief assoc. Debbie showed the board the slip that was made for Rodda to add to his billing sheets, and also they wanted to know what they have spent on the roads for the work that Rodda has done. Bob Rodda presented the board with a list of

recommendations for road work that he thinks should be done to the town roads. There was discussion on this and the board will wait until next year to decide what work shall be done. Keith Fulcher made a motion to adjourned Kevin Cavanaugh second, meeting adjourned at 4:11 pm.