

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

**ELLSBURG TOWNSHIP MEETING**

**June 25, 2019**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM in the Ellsburg Town hall, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present were Chairman Beth Caple, Vice Chairman Arrlette Krog, Treasurer Elaine Wick, Deputy Treasurer Aubreanna McKeever, and Clerk McKenzie Clinton. Supervisor Brandon Cavanaugh, was absent. Guests present were Heidi Yokel, Jeff Dulinski, and Lee Voigt. Clerks minutes were read, Supervisor Arrlette Krog made a motion to approve minutes, Chairman Beth Caple second, motion approved.

**Treasurer's Report For May, 2019**

	<b>Totals</b>	General	Road & Bridge	Fire	Cemetery
Beginning Balance May 1, 2019	<b>85,049.59</b>	50,205.57	27,332.02	0.00	7,512.00
Receipts	<b>541.35</b>	241.35	0.00	0.00	300.00
Disbursements	<b>9,059.21</b>	<b>8,192.55</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>866.66</b>
Ending Balance May 30, 2019	<b>76,531.73</b>	42,254.37	27,332.02	0.00	6,945.34

Supervisor Arrlette Krog made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report, Chairman Beth Caple second motion approved.

**Bills submitted for payment:**

<b>Vendor</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Check #</b>	<b>Amount</b>
MN Association of Township	Summer Short Course	7584	\$200.00
A-1 Services	Portable Toilet	7585	\$19.33
Arvig	Telephone and Internet	7586	\$139.28
Lake Country Power	Electricity	7587	\$76.02
Rodda Grading	Invoice #1284	7588	\$1,395.00
G-men	Dumpster, Removal and Appliances	7589	\$990.00
McRae Land Improvements	Work order #3046 and #3054	7590	\$6,810.00
Mosquito Squad	Pest Control	7591	\$230.86
Norland Sanitary	Refuse Collection	7592	\$17.55
Krog, Arrlette	Mileage and Paper Purchase	7593	\$17.92
Clinton, McKenzie	Mileage	7594	\$17.40
Caple, Elizabeth	Mileage	7595	\$22.04
Cavanaugh, Brandon	Mileage	7596	\$11.02
PERA	Retirement	7597	\$151.30
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$10,097.72</b>

Employee Wages were also paid totaling \$1,593.76. Supervisor Arrlette Krog made a motion to accept the bills for payment, Chairman Beth Caple second, motion approved.

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**Correspondence:** Correspondence were looked at with no further discussion.

**Road and Bridge:** It was reported that the roads had been graded and were in decent condition.

**Cemetery:** Supervisor Arrlette Krog reported that there were some trees that needed to be removed. An estimate was received from Mark Carlson at a cost of \$650.00, Supervisor Arrlette Krog made a motion to accept the estimate, Chairman Beth Caple second, motion passed.

She then stated that she was working with three families; one whose stone needed to be leveled, one who had purchased a plot, and one family that is believed to have purchased a plot. She is researching financial history to determine if the plot was purchased.

**Buildings:** A discussion took place about the need to paint the picnic tables. It was decided that they should be painted in time for the Fourth of July Parade and Picnic.

**Website:** Nothing new to report

**New Business:**

Jeff Dulinski inquired about what roads the grader was grading and what sections he was grading. He believes that the grader is doing sections of the road that are not township roads. Chairman Beth Caple stated that she will speak to Rodda Grading to make sure he is only grading the township roads.

Jeff Dulinski asked about whether or not McRae was grading the roads when he added gravel. He asked why we are paying a grader and contractor to do the same work. Supervisor Arrlette Krog explained that when McRae adds gravel he has to smooth it out.

Jeff Dulinski also inquired about a motion that was passed at the annual meeting in regards to setting up a fund for building a new Fire Hall in the future. Supervisor Arrlette Krog stated that the Board had not discussed this and that it would be on the agenda at the next meeting.

Heidi Yokel gave a report on the Fire Department stating that they had one medical call that month. She also spoke about the training the EVFD attended including landing zone training and training with the engines. She also spoke about the upcoming National Night Out on August 6th.

A discussion took place about the need for tree removal at the Bass Lake fire Hall. The board was asked to remove a dead tree from the side of the fire hall. An estimate of \$550.00 was received for the removal. Jeff Dulinski asked about removing a tree from behind the fire hall and mentioned that since the tree on the side of the fire hall is close to power lines, the power company may remove the tree at no cost. Supervisor Arrlette Krog stated that she will speak to the power company about removing the tree. She then made a motion to have the tree behind the fire hall removed if the cost is the same or less than the estimate received for removing the first tree, Chairman Beth Caple second, motion passed.

The need for a new flag at the Town Hall was discussed. Supervisor Arrlette Krog made a motion to purchase two new flags; one to replace the torn one and one to have available at the town hall when it is needed, Chairman Beth Caple second, motion passed.

Chairman Beth Caple made a motion to hire Rick McRae to remove the wooden playground for a cost of \$300.00, Supervisor Arrlette Krog second, motion passed.

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As there was no further business, Chairman Beth Caple made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Supervisor Arrlette Krog second, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 P.M.

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McKenzie Clinton, Clerk

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Arrlette Krog , Chairman

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Date