

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

ELLSBURG TOWNSHIP MEETING

October 24, 2017

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 Arrlette Krog, Vice Chairman Beth Caple, Supervisor Brandon Cavanaugh, Treasurer Elaine Wick, and Deputy Clerk McKenzie Clinton. Clerk Barbara Cavanaugh was absent. Guests present were Ray Privett and Lee Voigt. Clerks minutes were read, Chairman Arrlette Krog made a motion to approve minutes, Supervisor Brandon Cavanaugh second, motion approved.

Treasurer's Report For September, 2017

	Totals	General	Road & Bridge	Fire	Cemetery
Beginning Balance September 1, 2017	102,360.08	51,260.47	42,317.58	0.00	8,782.03
Receipts	161.02	161.02	0.00	0.00	0.00
Disbursements	6,623.79	5,092.54	1,531.25	0.00	0.00
Ending Balance September 30, 2017	95,897.31	46,328.95	40,786.33	0.00	8,782.03

Supervisor Brandon Cavanaugh made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report, Supervisor Beth Caple second, motion approved.

Bills submitted for payment:

Vendor	Description	Check #	Amount
Arvig	Telephone and Internet	7207	\$132.28
Johnston, Stan	Website	7208	\$72.50
Lake Country Power	Electricity- 9/10-10/10	7209	\$127.86
McRae Land Improvements	Brushing	7210	\$3,480.00
MAT	Annual Conference	7211	\$330.00
Norland Sanitary	Refuse Collection Inv. 36054	7212	\$12.87
SLCAT	Bus, Annual Dinner	7213	\$216.00
Voigt, Lee	2nd Half Lawn Mowing Contract	7214	\$2,450.00
Caple, Elizabeth	Wages	7215	\$46.77
Cavanaugh, Brandon	Wages, Mileage	7216	\$185.21
Carlson, Jennifer	Town Hall Cleaning	7217	\$50.00
Clinton, McKenzie	Wages, Mileage	7218	\$481.15
Krog, Arrlette	Wages, Mileage	7219	\$251.95
Wick, Elaine	Wages, Mileage, Office Supplies	7220	\$409.88
PERA	Board Retirement	7221	\$60.10
Total			\$8,306.57

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Supervisor Beth Caple made a motion to accept the bills for payment, Supervisor Brandon Cavanaugh second, motion approved.

Correspondence: The township received a letter from Como Oil about the amount of fuel that was left. Supervisor Arrlette Krog asked Deputy Clerk McKenzie Clinton to call and ask for clarification on the amount that we would have after it is filled this season.

Road and Bridge: Chairman Arrlette Krog reported that the brushing had been done. She also reported that before Rick McRae was completely done brushing, Rodda had graded the roads so they need to be graded again in some areas.

Cemetery: Nothing new to report.

Buildings: Ray Privett spoke about the need to replace the man-door on the Melrude Fire hall because the wood on the bottom is rotted. A discussion about this took place. It was decided that any work that is needed would have to be delayed until the spring due to the weather.

Website: Nothing new to report.

New Business:

Ray Privett gave a report on the Fire Department stating they had one mutual aid call that month. He then spoke about the need for gravel to be added by the doors at the Melrude Fire hall. The area by the ditch is very soft so they are having trouble getting equipment through it. Supervisor Arrlette Krog stated that she would speak to Rick McRae about adding gravel.

Arrlette Krog Made a motion to accept resolution #2017-6 and add Beth Caple to the signature list at Northern Sate Bank, Brandon Cavanaugh second, motion Approved.

Arrlette Krog made a motion accept resolution #2017-7 and add Beth Caple to the signature list at Miners Bank, Brandon Cavanaugh second, motion approved. The signature lists for Northern State Bank and Miners Bank now include: Supervisor Arrlette Krog, Supervisor Beth Caple, Treasurer Elaine Wick, Clerk Barbara Cavanaugh, and Deputy Clerk McKenzie Clinton.

A discussion about snow removal took place. The township received one bid, from Terry Giernett, for snow removal at the town hall, and in front of the Melrude Fire Hall. Arrlette Krog made a motion to hire Terry Giernett at a price of \$18 an hour, Brandon Cavanaugh second, motion approved. Supervisor Brandon Cavanaugh made a motion to have St. Louis County continue to plow the township roads, and the Bass Lake fire hall, Supervisor Beth Caple second, motion approved.

As there was no further business, Chairman Arrlette Krog made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Supervisor Brandon Cavanaugh second, the meeting was adjourned at 6:44 P.M.

McKenzie Clinton, Deputy Clerk

Arrlette Krog , Chairman

Date