

ELLSBURG TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

October 27, 2015

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 Supervisor Arrlette Krog, Supervisor Joe Caple, Deputy Clerk Shannon Polinder, and Treasurer Becky Musburger. Guests Present were: Lee Voigt, Ray Privitt, Cheryl Larson, Bob Larson, Bill McKechnie and Jeff Musburger. Clerks minutes were read. Arlette Krog made a motion to approve clerks minutes, Joe Caple second, motion approved.

Treasurer's Report for September, 2015

	Totals	General	Road & Bridge	Fire	Cemetery
Beginning Balance September 1, 2015	\$133,661.14	88,102.82	35,970.21	0.00	9,588.11
Receipts	95.22	95.22	0.00	0.00	0.00
Disbursements	6,497.95	3,952.20	2,545.75	0.00	0.00
Ending Balance September 30, 2015	\$127,258.41	84,245.84	33,424.46	0.00	9588.11

Bills were submitted for payment:

Vendor Name	Description	Claim #	Amount
McRae Land Improvements	road work	6665	\$523.00
Rodda Grading	road grading	6666	\$2,724.75
Culligan Water	water softener	6667	\$67.80
voided		6668	
Arvig	telephone	6669	\$131.65
Aardvark	sat. toilet	6670	\$95.00
Lake Country Power	electricity	6671	\$107.52
Jennifer Carlson	hall cleaning	6672	\$50.00
Arrlette Krog	wages	6673	\$175.18
Arrlette Krog	mileage	6674	\$39.10
Brandon Cavanaugh	wages	6675	\$86.02
Brandon Cavanaugh	mileage	6676	\$40.25
Barbara Cavanaugh	wages	6677	\$477.31
Barbara Cavanaugh	mileage	6678	\$23.00
Becky Musburger	wages	6679	\$289.85
Becky Musburger	mlg & purch	6680	\$180.58
Joe Caple	wages	6681	\$383.35
Joe Caple	mlg & purch	6682	\$109.72
PERA	retirement	6683	\$151.06
Norland	garbage	6684	\$17.55
PPAC Football	donation	6685	\$100.00
South Ridge School	donation	6686	\$100.00
Hampton Inn	reservations	6687	\$624.66

Total Claims \$6,497.95

Becky Musburger gave the treasurers report., Joe Caple made a motion to approve, Arlette Krog second, motion carried.

Bills were submitted for payment, Arrlette Krog made a motion to approve bills, Joe Caple second, motion carried.

Jeff Musburger questioned why lawn mowing payments were now paid in 2 when it used to be in thirds. No further discussion.

Correspondence: no discussion.

Ray Privitt spoke on behalf of the fire department and the fire department received 25,000.00 from the Greg Millsop investigation. He also reported good responses to accidents and fires this month. He also said he has 10 members taking safety classes. There was also a question on who gets billed for emergency calls. Jeff Musburger stated that the fire department can bill peoples insurance.

Road and Bridge: Joe Caple reported that most roads are looking good, and will have one more grading.

Web Site: Bob Larson said he did not think the web site was very user friendly. He said it was very discouraging to use. Becky Musburger used it recently and said it seems to be just fine.

Cemetery: Arrlette Krog reported that the cemetery is looking very fall like , most plants are picked up . Plaques replaced old stones but one is misspelled. There was a suggestion not to use cement but granite instead. By spring the misspelling will be fixed. If any new plaques have raised spelling the mower blades need to be brought up as not to damage them. Some stones are lopsided and they need to be repaired but it will have to wait until spring. Family members are responsible for stones but we can help.

Old Business: Joe Caple said that Hometown Electric came and ran the main line for electricity to the pavilion they put some lights up and are almost done. There is a need for gravel for this project , Joe Caple called Rodda but he was too busy, so he then called Rick McRae. Joe Caple asked if he can get a check for Hometown Electric . Joe Caple motioned , Arrlette second, motion carried. The total check will be \$5,765.00 to be paid at end of job. The concern about fixing Blackburn drive was brought up again by Bill McKechnie, he says the township is breaking the law but Arrlette Krog has been looking into this situation and we are not breaking the law by any means. Arrlette Krog brought Platte map into our lawyer and he researched it and Anna Blackburn plotted road and it became a public cart way to be maintained by landowners. Landowners would have to petition the repairs and the landowners will be levied. Arrlette Krog had to mention several times that we as a township have to abide by the rules and Bill Mckechnie said he was going to get a lawyer and sue Ellsburg township. A heated discussion followed by Bill Mckechnie leaving early. Arrlette talked with Todd Koneczny about parcel vacating he has to sign a petition with 8 other people within 3 miles . He is not landlocked if he wants to try to prove otherwise he is responsible for the monies involved. He wanted tax implication by making parcels but he was informed he would have to talk to the county assessor.

New Business: Joe Caple brought up getting a storage shed to put basketball hoops , basketballs etc. Arrlette Krog suggested we wait it out through the winter. Ron Saukko got a call from public works that his application to get his road plowed but the turnaround there will not work , he is not getting it done at township expense. Signed application needs to be paid and will have a late fee and he will not be getting plowed by St. Louis County either Arrlette Krog made a motion to accept application for 46.00 and a late fee of 25.00 , Joe Caple second, motion carried. Arlette brought up changing the December 29th meeting to December 22nd because of the Holidays ,Arrlette Krog motioned , Joe Caple second , motion carried. Arrlette Krog made a motion to adjourn meeting at 6:45 Joe Caple second , motion carried.

Barbara Cavanaugh, Clerk

Chair

Date