

**ELLSBURG TOWNSHIP - ST. LOUIS COUNTY**  
**P.O. Box 308, 1767 MELRUDE ROAD, MELRUDE, MN 55766**

**REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING January 26, 2010**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jeff Musburger at 3:20pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all. Board members present were: Chairman Jeff Musburger; Vice Chair Keith Fulcher; Supervisor Kevin Cavanaugh; Clerk Annette Millsop and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Debbie Leppala. Guests: RandeErjavec and Brady Miller Fire Chief.

**Clerks Minutes:** Changes: \$83.00 per/hour for Rodda and the third line from the bottom of the first page was deleted. Minutes read, changed and accepted.

**Guests:** RandeErjavec came to observe and see if she would like to apply for the clerk's job. She is interested and will let us know for sure soon.

Brady Miller Fire Chief came to discuss the improvements to the fire hall and drew a diagram for the board of what would be necessary for the building. Keith, Jeff and Brady will check into how much it would cost and where an addition may be built that would be far enough away from the well and the mound system to be in compliant with the laws. More discussion will follow at the next meeting. It will need to have two stalls with in floor heat and a drain. Approximately 26'X40'. May even be a metal Pole building as a structure. Jeff said we have an amount of money to use for the project.

**Correspondence:** Letter from St. Louis County; SLCATO will have a meeting at Cotton and Keith will go; Jeff asked about the response from the police and if it would be feasible for them to have someplace nearby that would help them be here sooner. Keith will talk to them; St. Louis County (about crushing gravel) at the pit. They will probably send a letter later to see if we need any for our township; calendar from SLCATO; Flyer from L ATP.

**Road and Bridge:** Rodda will wait until after the annual meeting and his contract may be for only one year. He has talked to the men we suggested in case of an emergency and they are willing to take over if necessary for him on our roads.

Motion was made by Kevin and seconded by Keith to donate \$100.00 to Cotton School for the Grad Party. Motion carried.

**Web:**The page with our lakes is up and running and is quite impressive. Jeff would like to have less on the front page so it doesn't get crowded. Keith said Karolyn worked a lot of hours perfecting the lakes.

**Cemetery:** All the work on the monuments will wait until later.

**Melrude Hall:** Brady Miller had a lot of information we will consider.

**Postings:** Annette posted meeting notices for: Board of Audit, Budget, and regular meetings. Also posted notice of all the times for January, February and March meetings and Annual Meeting.

**Lobby Days:**They will be held on the 15th of March. Jeff and Keith will go. The Annual Awards Dinner for SLCATO will be held on the 28th of April at Cotton.

**Clerk:** Already discussed with RandeErjavec.

**New Business:** Jeff received a call about the book cases in the post office area. He checked them out and they may cause a problem. Jeff said there has been a great show of interest in all the books

and videos that Barb has in them. Jeff made a motion for \$800.00 for new adjustable shelving for the post office that he will make with Ray Leppala; seconded by Kevin; motion carried.

Jeff also had a complaint about people pushing snow across the road and county complained. Jeff also said that Kevin handles the cemetery and Jeff is in charge of what Rodda does so the county should be handled by Keith.

Kevin stated that Mason has been shoveling and has run into a problem with ice on the steps and sidewalks. He made a motion that he would be able to buy an ice chopper for Mason to use. It was also stated that we could use the emergency cones from the fire department in icy spots or other obstacles in an emergency.

Keith made a motion to adjourn; Kevin seconded; motion carried at 4:38pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Annette Millsop, Clerk of Ellsburg