

ELLSBURG TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

January 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 Jeff Dulinski Supervisor Arrlette Krog, Supervisor Brandon Cavanaugh, Treasurer Shelly Stallcop, Deputy Treasurer Becky Musburger, and Deputy Clerk Debbie Leppala. Guests present were Lee Voigt, Terry Giernett and Stan Johnston.

Clerk's minutes were read as presented, Arrlette Krog motion, second by Brandon Cavanaugh to accept the minutes with the correction of the road report and Jeff looking at W Mink Road, and the problem with residents plowing and leaving snow on W Mink Road. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report for December 2014: General Fund beginning balance \$68,389.28, Receipts \$23,482.42 Disbursements \$2,456.28 Ending Balance \$89, 415.42 Road & Bridge Fund, Beginning balance \$23849.09 Receipts \$10,831.62 Disbursements \$1,098.38 Ending balance \$33,582.33, Cemetery beginning balance \$7,088.11 Receipts \$1,250.00 Disbursements \$00.0 Ending Balance\$8,338.11 Fire beginning balance \$00.00 Receipts \$19,000.00 Disbursements \$22,554.66 Ending balance\$131,335.86. Totals for December 2014 Beginning balance \$99,326.48 Total receipts \$54,564.04 Total Disbursements \$22,554.66 Ending balance \$131,335.86.

Jeff Dulinski second by Arrlett Krog to except the treasurers report. Treasurer presented the bills for payment. Shelly explained to the board that she voided a check because it was a duplicate, the voided check is #6500. Treasurer's submitted bills:

Vendor Name	Description	Claim #	Amount
ARVIG	telephone service	6481	\$130.48
STLC Public Works	Grading	6482	\$417.33
Chase Credit Card	Notary Stamp	6483	\$131.70
Lake Country Power	Utilities	6484	\$495.08
EVFD	1st Half Comstock Lake	6485	\$2268.00
SLCATO	Dues & Banquet	6486	\$560.28
MATIT	Workers Comp IN.	6487	\$374.00
Shelly Stallcop	Wages	6488	\$219.73
Shelly Stallcop	Mileage	6489	\$58.14
Brandon Cavanuagh	Wages	6490	\$84.15
Brandon Cavanaugh	Mileage	6491	\$46.74
Becky Musburger	Wages	6492	\$215.05
Jennifer Carlson	Wages	6493	\$50.00
Arrlette Krog	Wages	6494	\$66.39
Barb Cavanaugh	Wages	6495	\$187.00
Jeff Dulinski	Mileage	6496	\$57.00
Jeff Dulinski	Wages	6497	\$95.85
Debbie Leppala	Wages	6498	\$388.62
PERA	Retirement	6499	\$69.84
Terry Giernett	Wages (shoveling)	6501	\$180.00
Total Claims:			\$6,095.38

Arrlette Krog motion second by Jeff Dulinski to except the bills for payment, motion carried.

**Correspondence:** The board reviewed the correspondence.

**Roads:** Jeff said that the roads were good. He wanted to know if the road to the Cemetery was being plowed, Arrlette said it was. Jeff suggested that the board do Road Review before all of the snow is gone to get a better idea of what the plows do to the roads in the winter. Everyone thought that might be a good idea.

**Web Site:** Stan Johnston is working on the new web site for the township. The board went into the office with the clerk to see the progress Stan has been making. He spoke of what can be done to the site, and at the present it is free. But to add any more pages they will have to purchase a domain name for the web site. But it is considerably less expensive than what the town previously had. Stan also requested the minutes from March of 2013 and the minutes from July-Dec. of 2014. Arrlette Krog motioned Jeff second to keep Stan working on bringing the web site up to date. He is doing a great job. Motion carried. A letter will be sent to Appolis (previous web site carrier) letting them know the town will no longer need their services.

**Cemetery:** Arrlette said there is nothing to report on the cemetery.

**New Business:** The election judges were presented to the board for the Annual Town election for March 10th Election. Jeff Dulinski motion, second by Brandon Cavanaugh to approve the election judges for the March 10th 2015 town election, they are as follows: Juanita Marsgraff, Jennifer McRae, Becky Musburger, Jeff Musburger, Elaine Wick, and Patsy Erickson. Motion carried.

The Resolution #15-11 Appointing the Ballot Board for the township election was presented to the board, it would have Jennifer McRae, Elaine Wick and Barb Cavanaugh as the Ballot Board. Jeff Dulinski motion Arrlette Krog second, motion carried to except Resolution #15-11 for the Ballot Board.

McDavitt fire department petition was presented for the board to review, after reviewing the petition Arrlette Krog motioned, Brandon Cavanaugh second to approve the petition for the McDavitt fire dept. petition, motion carried. A check will also be sent back with the petition, in the amount of \$237.50, check number 6502.

The kitchen cabinet is falling off of the wall, Arrlette will take care of it. Arrlette also wanted to know how or who picks up the garbage from the hall and the fire hall. Someone will call Norland Sanitary to find out their route. There was an explanation about mileage and what mileage gets reimbursed; the mileage rate has gone up to 57.5 cents a mile now.

Jeff will not be at the February meeting, Shelly said she would not be at the board of audit and budget meeting because her mom is having surgery and she needs to be there with her.

There was long discussion about the annual meeting and the things that need to be talked about and who is going to talk about them. There is concern about the fire department and what the town can do to encourage the young adults join the department. The town would also like to have the fire dept chief come to the annual meeting to give a report about the fire department and what their needs are. Jeff explained to the board how the calls go out from the dispatch to departments. And finally what the priorities are for the town and its residents for 2015.

Being no further business, Arrlette Krog motioned Brandon Cavanaugh second to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Debbie Leppala, Deputy clerk

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Chair

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