

Township of Belle Plaine Board of Supervisors
Regular Monthly Meeting
May 5, 2009

The Belle Plaine Township Board held its regular monthly meeting at 7:30p.m. at the Township garage. Officers present were Robert Koenig, Gary Schmitz, Doug Kasper, Kevin Slack, and Jean McDermand. Also present, Jeff Klehr, Randal Koll, and Michael Schultz.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gary Schmitz.

The Clerk's minutes from last month's Board meeting were approved as presented, on a motion by Robert Koenig and seconded by Doug Kasper.

The Treasurer's report was read, motion by Koenig and seconded by Schmitz to approve the Treasurer's report with the following balances as of April 30, 2009:

Checking	\$814.48
Money Market	94,972.57
CD/Interbank	50,000.00
CD/Cornerstone Bank	<u>50,000.00</u>
Total:	\$195,787.05

Receipts for April 2009 – \$3,000

Randal Koll, 22071 Johnson Memorial Dr, was present for the approval of a building permit application to construct a 40x90 steel agricultural shed, the request was approved and the permit signed.

Michael Schultz from the Scott County Sheriff's Department was present to discuss and give the board last months Sheriff's report for the Belle Plaine Township.

Received confirmation from MATIT that the Personal Property Insurance Coverage for the Township was increased to \$12,000 at no additional cost.

TKDA's engineering review of the plans for the Tree of Life Church was examined by the board. The road that is currently proposed to access the property was discussed at length. It is the Boards opinion that the two property owners need to work out the road issue amongst themselves; it appears that if an agreement cannot be reached between the property owners, and if the adjacent property is developed, it will be the future developers concern to bring the road up to Township standards. It was noted that the township's request for graded slopes to be 6:1 was not likely to occur and 4:1 would be the standard.

The Hazard Mitigation Plan forms were completed, reviewed, and will be forwarded to Chris Weldon, County Emergency Management Director.

The Driveway /Approaches Permit was revised and will be sent to property owners who were identified during the Annual Road Review that have installed approaches without first obtaining a permit.

A resolution amending "Resolution Establishing a Snow and Ice Control Policy" on a motion by Koenig and seconded by Kasper was adopted, all in favor, motion carried. The addition of Historical Notes placed on the last page of the Policy was also indicated.

The County Board of Commissioners will be conducting a Tour of Townships this summer, as an opportunity to showcase the township. The board decided that they would pass on the tour this year.

Checks are coming in for Dust coating, with four new inquires from the ad in the paper. The board decided to dust coat two sections of road that were identified as trouble spots, just to see if these sections of road would hold up better when dust coated. The township is scheduled to receive dust coating on the 20th of May.

The Township's website Summary information was viewed and the number of Unique Visitors to our website was noted, with a high amount of 138 visitors in March.

Received from the City of Belle Plaine the engineering estimated cost for patching and overlaying Belle Plaine Trail, with the Township's portion to be \$44,640. After consideration of cost, it was determined by the township board not to go with the overlay. The road's usage needs to be addressed, there should be some sort of way to discourage the residents that live in the neighboring developments from using the road, especially Gruetzmachers driveway. The Township will just go with patching the cracks/holes, and will share the cost of the patching with the City. The Clerk will notify David Murphy, City Administrator, of the Boards decision.

Supervisor Koenig reported on attending the Transfer of Development Rights presentation. Slack reported on attending a CAPX2020 committee meeting, to identify environmental issues that should be pointed out for the Environmental Impact Statement. Koenig and McDermand reported on attending a Township workshop with Scott County Planning.

Discussed various road issues with Jeff Klehr. It was noted that an Approach on Navaho Ave. has a trench dug through it and Kasper will speak with the owner to find out what their intentions are.

A motion was made by Koenig and seconded by Kasper to pay the bills:

5/5/09	3507	Klehr Grading	Patrol	\$3,017.50
5/5/09	3508	Belle Plaine Herald	Notices and Ads	\$241.52
5/5/09	3509	MAT Agency	Insurance	\$187.00

Motion made at 9:28 p.m. by Koenig and seconded by Kasper to adjourn; motion carried.

Township Supervisor

Township Clerk