

**Township of Belle Plaine Board of Supervisors**  
**Regular Monthly Meeting**  
**July 7, 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, Darik Schultz, Myron Bratsch, Gerald Nagel, Richard Krentz, Darrell Honza, Rep. David Bly, Shannon Fiecke, Carol Bauer, and Jeff Klehr

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gary Schmitz. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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 June 30, 2009:

Checking	\$ 634.80
Money Market	134,854.97
CD/Interbank	50,000.00
CD/Cornerstone Bank	<u>50,000.00</u>
Total:	\$235,489.77

Receipts for June 2009 – \$93,398.72

Susie Volek, 24550 Kittson Blvd., called the clerk to request the approval of a building permit application to move in 2 small grain bins on to their farm, the request was approved and the permit will be signed at a later date at the home of the clerk.

The county confirmed that tile could be run within the Drainage and Utility easement in the Farmers Bluff development and offered information on other possibilities for residents to remove water from basements. Michael Lyons, 9890 Harvest Way, was forwarded the information from the county.

Supervisor Koenig gave an update on field approach issues:

- Gerald Nagel and Richard Krentz were present to discuss two approaches off Navaho Ave., which the township has identified as being altered, thereby needing a permit. After much discussion on Mr. Nagels approaches it was determined, that a permit was not necessary and the approaches are to the board's satisfaction. For future reference, when there is a lot of snow, Mr. Nagel asked that the board inform him before any snow is pushed out into his fields.
- The two field approaches off 260<sup>th</sup> St. W., belonging to Bill McCue were determined to be satisfactory and will not require a permit.
- The plastic culvert will be removed from the field approach off Meridian Circle, Roger Stier has agreed to fix the approach.
- Supervisors Koenig and Schmitz met with the owner, Paul Romelski, of an approach, at 24500 Galena Ave, this issue also includes a neighboring field approach owned by Leon Volek. The ends of the culvert have been smashed in. The township would like to have one long culvert spanning the two properties. Romelski has agreed to pay for the construction costs of installation. The cost of the steel culvert will be shared between Romelski and the township.

Darik Schultz 7575 263<sup>rd</sup> St., was present to discuss where the township road ends within his property and the 911 address sign. There was a discussion on the issues, Supervisor Kasper will take a look at the road again and get in contact with Mr. Schultz. It was determined that Mr. Schultz needs to direct the 911 address sign issue with the county.

Township bridge #L3068 located on Old Hwy 169 was identified by the county for repair. Supervisor Schmitz will coordinate with Dahlke Tree Service to address the needed repairs.

The board reviewed the Certificates of Insurance and determined that Dvorak Excavating should increase his General Liability limit from \$500,000 to \$1 million/each occurrence. The Clerk will get in touch with Dvorak

Representative David Bly (District 25B) was present to answer any questions or to address any concerns. Treasurer Slack asked Rep. Bly to explain Market Value Credit, specifically how it works in conjunction with the Levy process, Rep. Bly will gather information on MVC and send the information to Slack.

Supervisor Schmitz made a motion to enter into a Joint Powers Agreement for assessment of the township by Scott County for the assessment year of 2010, motion seconded by Kasper, all in favor, motion carried. The Joint Powers Agreement document was signed and will be sent to Scott County for approval and needed signatures.

By a unanimous decision, the Belle Plaine Township Board Meetings will have a new start time of 7:00p.m. The Clerk will publish and post the meeting time change notice. The new time change will be effective with the August 11, 2009 Board Meeting.

Koenig, Slack, and Kasper reported on attending the SCALE - Land Use/Transportation System meeting. Koenig and McDermand reported on attending the Belle Plaine Ambulance meeting. Koenig reported on attending the Scott WMO Technical Advisory Meeting.

The Clerk issued the following Building Permit application:

- Terry Fahey, 8826 280<sup>th</sup> St. W, deck, 10x21

Supervisor Schmitz reported that Dalke Tree Service completed the work on 220<sup>th</sup> St. Supervisor Kasper reported on a tree blocking a sign on 263<sup>rd</sup> and Galena, he will remove the tree with a chainsaw. Kasper would like to see the road fixed on 260<sup>th</sup> and Delaware, a solution needs to be decided and action taken to fix this curve. The correct sign was installed at 270<sup>th</sup> and Aberdeen Ave. by the county. Koenig reported on materials to construct a wall by a resident in Susan's Bluff was placed in the ROW on Laredo Ave., Koenig asked the homeowner to remove the materials and equipment. Schmitz gave Jeff Klehr the go ahead to mow the ditches. Jeff Klehr reported on completing the removal of the Greg Westlund approach off of Navaho Ave.

Darrell Honza from the Scott County Sheriff's Department was present with the Sheriff's report for the Belle Plaine Township.

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

7/7/09	3526 Klehr Grading	Patrol \$3,265.85 Repair \$255	\$3,520.85
7/7/09	3527 Knife River Corp.	Gravel	\$3,882.42
7/7/09	3528 Dahlke Tree Service	Tree Service for 220th St. W	\$2,750.00
7/7/09	3529 Scott County Treas.	Assessing Services	\$1,600.00
7/7/09	3530 MAT	Short Course registrations	\$200.00

Slack reported that Knife River for the first time billed in cubic yards and the payment needed to be adjusted. Next assessment payment will be due in June 2010 for the assessment year of 2010.

Motion made at 9:58 p.m. by Schmitz and seconded by Koenig to adjourn; motion carried.

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Township Supervisor

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Township Clerk