

**Township of Belle Plaine Board of Supervisors**  
**Regular Monthly Meeting**  
**Aug 11, 2009**

The Belle Plaine Township Board held its regular monthly meeting at 7:00p.m. at the Township garage. Officers present were Robert Koenig, Gary Schmitz, Doug Kasper, Kevin Slack, and Jean McDermand. Also present, Mike Lyons, Myron Bratsch, Darik Schultz, 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 Kasper and seconded by Koenig to approve the Treasurer's report with the following balances as of July 31, 2009:

Checking	\$ 681.53
Money Market	122,974.72
CD/Interbank	50,000.00
CD/Cornerstone Bank	<u>50,000.00</u>
Total:	\$223,656.25

Receipts for July 2009 – \$119.75

Michael Lyons, 9890 Harvest Way, was present, he spoke with Chard Tiling and there is not enough grade to tile to the pond on the south side of his property. Chard did mention to Lyons that there might be some 4-inch tile along the road, in front of his property, that was installed by Chard to help drain the water when the road was being constructed; however, this tile was not documented. Lyons could connect to this tile if he can find it. Chard thought it might be located about 4 feet down, Lyons will let the township know if he can find the tile. Supervisor Koenig will talk to Chard to see why tiling on the south side of Lyons property will not be possible and will question further the 4-inch tile that was installed next to the road.

Les Buesgens, 24135 Laredo Ave., sent an email inquiring if the adjacent ditch would be restored to its preconstruction condition. He would like the weeds eliminated. Supervisor Koenig and Schmitz noted that this ditch was mowed twice by the township and will be sprayed for weeds this coming Spring.

The board discussed Certificates of Insurance and the new statutory tort cap limits. The clerk will check into how Umbrella Liability Policies are used and will send letters to contractors that need to increase their Insurance limits - per occurrence to \$1,500,000.

Treasurer Slack reported on working with the City of Belle Plaine for tax reimbursement payments for land that was annexed prior to 2004 under the "old" annexation agreement. Our current "new" annexation agreement is paid by the developer. The old agreement with the City of Belle Plaine followed state statute guidelines for tax reimbursement payments and applies to four parcels of land that fall under this agreement. Slack researched/reviewed the calculations and found that the amount owed to the township would be adequate and fair. Motion made by Koenig, seconded by Schmitz to accept a final payment of \$6,865.40 from the City of Belle Plaine for tax reimbursement of the four parcels annexed into the city under the old annexation agreement, motion carried.

Any landowner requesting a signed building permit application will be strongly encouraged to attend a board meeting. If a landowner requests a building permit outside of a board meeting, the clerk will notify the Chair prior to signing the permit, and it will then be determined if the landowner needs to attend a board meeting for the permit.

Koenig, Schmitz, and McDermid reported on attending the Township Planning meeting. Koenig reported on attending a SCALE meeting and Ash Borer meeting. Kasper reported on attending the summer short courses and completed training for board of Equalization.

Supervisor Koenig will speak with Quentin Raddatz concerning trees on his property that potentially could fall into the right of way and the need to remove them before this happens. Koenig reported on an approach off of Navaho Ave., the culvert has been dug out by the landowner, Manley Winterfeldt. Koenig will speak with Winterfeldt and then instruct Klehr Grading to level off and slope the right of way.

The Clerk issued the following Building Permit applications:

- 1) Heidi Morlock, 22285 Delaware Ave., replace old home, 3 bedroom
- 2) Joe Gliszinski, 27530 Hickory Blvd., shed, agricultural, 40x80
- 3) Paul Romleski, 24500 Galena Ave., shed, storage, 28x30
- 4) Glen Jeurissen, 7720 235<sup>th</sup> St., remodel barn, agricultural, 30x48
- 5) Susie Volek, 24550 Kittson Blvd., move in 2 grain bins, 1,500bu/each

The Belle Plaine Ambulance monthly report can be viewed on the City of Belle Plaine website. Received a memo from Scott County Public Works of the upcoming construction letting, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> for 4 bridge replacements on Co. Rd 7.

Three Stop Signs were reported missing and the county will be charging the township for 2 of the replacements. There was a discussion on signs and the use of rivets or break aways to fasten the sign to the pole, Schmitz noted that using these bolts will make it more difficult for someone to steal a sign. Koenig reported on spraying brush. Schmitz reported that Dalke Tree Service will be removing and cutting trees on Old Hwy 169 and by bridge #L3068. Jeff Klehr requested that the township place red flags with wire, to mark where dust coating has been applied, so the grader operator will know what roads have the treatment.

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

8/11/09	3531	Kevin Slack	Wages	\$943.38
8/11/09	3532	Jean McDermid	Wages, General	\$1,770.36
8/11/09	3533	Gary Schmitz	Wages, General	\$617.94
8/11/09	3534	Doug Kasper	Wages, General	\$673.69
8/11/09	3535	Robert Koenig	Wages, General	\$1,654.25
8/11/09	3536	PERA	Wages, General	\$603.90
8/11/09	3537	SBBP	Wages, General	\$708.36
8/11/09	3538	Klehr Grading	Patrol\$3114.30 DitchMow\$1976	\$5,090.30
8/11/09	3539	WebCerta Designs	WebSite Work	\$50.00
8/11/09	3540	Emily Koenig	Lawn Mowing	\$180.00
8/11/09	3541	Genesis	Road R&M\$185.17 LPGas\$251.81	\$436.98
8/11/09	3542	Belle Plaine Herald	Notices and Ads	\$51.76
8/11/09	3543	Scott County Treas.	Stop Sign	\$85.50

Darik Schultz 7575 263<sup>rd</sup> St., was present to discuss the road that he dedicated to the township by plat in 2004. Schultz reported that the county will be installing a 911 sign for the property. In the township minutes, dated 3-1-04 there was a passing of resolution 30104A to accept Lavern's Legacy, but the actual resolution could not be found. Schultz contends that the road has been maintained all the way down to where the dedication ends on the plat, by the township, for many years, from 1975 to 2003 and stopped when the plat was created and the turn around installed. Mr. Schultz originally wanted the turn around to be located at the end of the dedicated road but the township thought otherwise and had Schultz construct the turn around at the top of the hill. Schultz would like the town board to decide if this section of dedicated road will be maintained by the township or not. The situation came to light when 263<sup>rd</sup> St. was slated to be graveled this year. The gravel was placed a few hundred feet shy of the turn around and Schultz was under the impression that the whole road including the dedication portion would be graveled and maintained. Snow plowing is also an issue and putting up a snow fence on the Borchardt property would help. Jeff Klehr of Klehr Grading confirmed that the road was snow plowed all the way to the end at least since 1993 and stopped when the turn around was installed. The board will continue to look for the resolution and agreed that a decision needs to be made on who will maintain this stretch of road. Jeff Klehr was instructed to dump and blade a load of gravel on the section of road that did not receive any gravel. Discussion tabled.

Motion made at 8:55 p.m. by Kasper and seconded by Koenig to adjourn; motion carried.

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Township Supervisor

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Township Clerk