

Township of Belle Plaine Board of Supervisors
Regular Monthly Meeting
Sept. 1, 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, Carol Bauer, Roger 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 with noted correction, on a motion by Robert Koenig and seconded by Doug Kasper.

The Treasurer's report was read, motion by Koenig and seconded by Kasper to approve the Treasurer's report with the following balances as of August 31, 2009:

Checking	\$ 815.11
Money Market	119,786.55
CD/Interbank	50,000.00
CD/Cornerstone Bank	<u>50,000.00</u>
Total:	\$220,601.66

Receipts for August 2009 – \$9,500.68

Jeff Klehr reported on excess trees and brush in the ditch on Navaho Ave., Koenig said that he sprayed them. Discussion on culverts, there are various ones that are plugged, collapsing, or failing and they need to be put back into working condition. Klehr took a look at the curve on 260th and Delaware, people are driving right off the end of it, something needs to be done, the ditch should be cleaned, reshaped, and delineator signs put up. Ewald Gruetzmacher inquired if his driveway from Belle Plaine Trail to Hwy 169 could be graded by the township, the board was not in favor of this, Koenig will inform Gruetzmacher to get in contact with Klehr. Schmitz will notify Klehr when another ditch mowing will be needed.

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

9/1/09	3544	Klehr Grading	Patrol\$3188.45 GravelHaul\$199.07	\$3,387.52
9/1/09	3545	Genesis	Chemicals - Ditch Spraying	\$77.17
9/1/09	3546	Robert Koenig	Ditch Spraying	\$299.00
9/1/09	3547	Emily Koenig	Lawn Mowing	\$120.00
9/1/09	3548	Biffs Inc.	Clean Port-o-Potty	\$45.00
9/1/09	3549	Couri, Macarthur, Ruppe	Legal work for Twnshp	\$38.75
9/1/09	3550	MVEC	Electricity	\$100.00

Michael Lyons, 9890 Harvest Way, was present, he gave an update on his water drainage situation. There was a discussion on exiting road drainage and how to possibly locate the tile that Chad installed. It was suggested that Lyons meet with Chard Tiling to look over documents that might show a location of the tile that Lyons could tap into. Schmitz will follow up with Lyons and assist where needed.

The Annual Meeting of March 10, 2009 for Belle Plaine Township was reconvened to finalize the Levy for taxes payable in 2010. It was determined that the proposed Levy was sound and the Clerk asked for a motion to accept the proposed 2010 levy amount of \$201,000. A motion was made, seconded, and all in favor to accept the following final levy amount of \$201,000:

General	\$ 43,600
Road and Bridge	115,000
NP Fire	8,600
BP Fire	32,500
Jordan Fire	700
NP Ambulance	<u>600</u>
2010 Total:	\$ 201,000

Being no other business a motion was made and seconded, to adjourn the Annual meeting, motion carried.

Darik Schultz 7575 263rd St., was present to continue discussion on the dedicated road. It was resolved that the missing 30104A resolution was adopted to accept the developers agreement for the installation of the bus turn around. After much discussion it became clear that the county required a minimum of 66 feet of frontage for Lot 1 and Outlot A on a publicly maintained road to be dedicated by Schultz. This requirement by county ordinance of dedicated road right of way put the township into the position to maintain the 66 feet. In order to maintain the 66 feet safely – the hill poses a problem in the winter – the road maintenance equipment will need to go further to turn around safely, which is why Schultz dedicated approximately 211 feet to the township. In conclusion, Mr. Schultz will work with the township –as he has in the past – to clear the heavy accumulation of snow in the winter, and the township will maintain the whole portion of dedicated road.

Letters were sent to contractors to request that they increase their Insurance limits - per occurrence to \$1,500,000. Most of our contractors accomplished this by using an Excess/Umbrella Liability Policy.

Todd Dvorak of Dvorak Excavating inquired if he could show the township how his grading equipment works by doing a free trial run on Meridian Circle. The board felt that this would be a conflict of interest with the current contractor and Dvorak would have to wait and give a quote for the work when the current grading agreement expires.

Examples of agreements for Tree/Brush removal with property owners that the township could adopt were reviewed. Koenig reported that the trees in the ditch on Lardeo Ave. by the Raddatz property can be removed. There are about 5 or 6 trees and Mr. Raddatz said that if someone wants the wood they can have it.

Koenig, Kasper and Slack reported on attending the District 4 meeting

The Clerk issued the following Building Permit applications:

- 1) Jim Glisczinski, 6525 Fabor Ave., grain bin, 42 ft. diam.

Motion made at 8:40 p.m. by Schmitz and seconded by Kasper to adjourn; motion carried.

Township Supervisor

Township Clerk