

Warsaw Township

Township Board Meeting Minutes

April 1, 2024

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Clerk Darla Frandrup called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Duwain Egland, Larry Madsen, Emery Maher, Diane McCorkell and Darla Frandrup

2. APPROVE MEETING MINUTES

Motion made by Supervisor Emery to approve the minutes as read; Supervisor Larry seconded. All voted in favor; motion carried.

3. NEW BUSINESS

Motion made by Supervisor Larry to elect Supervisor Duwain as the new town board chairperson; Supervisor Emery seconded. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Emery Maher was sworn in as a supervisor for a 3-year term.

Emery and Bob completed the 2024 road tour. The culvert on 385th needs to be replaced. Emery and Bob are meeting with the County bridge inspector to discuss options. There are several areas where trees are hanging over the road and need to be trimmed. Bob is planning to rock 10th Ave north of County 9 Blvd. and possibly the High Prairie Road. Another culvert/roadwork project is on the "T" of Warsaw Trail, Warsaw Ave and Warsaw Trail Way making more room for turning radius. There will also be work on Goodhue Ave, in collaboration with Northfield Township.

A motion was made by Supervisor Duwain to accept and sign the updated fire contract with the Nerstrand Fire Department. The addendum to the current contract is the Nerstrand Fire Department assume coverage of the following area that is currently covered by Cannon Falls: Eastern 1/2 of Section 6, Eastern 1/3 of Section 7, South 1/2 of Section 8, South 1/2 of Section 15, North 1/2 of Sections 16 & 17, Section 22, and Western 1/2 of section 23. Supervisor Emery seconded. All voted in favor; motion carried. John Beck noticed the outline of the changes on the new fire map was correct, but the background colors need to be updated.

The Kielmeyer rock contract for 2024 was reviewed and discussed. There was confusion in the price and after contacting Corey the 2024 rock will be \$8.50/ton with a limit of \$70,000. Residents can receive this price for full belly loads, dump truck loads are not included in this price. Motion made by Supervisor Emery to accept the Kielmeyer contract paying \$8.50/ton to not exceed \$70,000; Supervisor Larry seconded. All voted in favor; motion carried.

A resolution making Columbus Day an optional holiday was signed. By signing this resolution, it will prevent having to move the date of the October Township meeting. Motion made by Supervisor Larry to sign the resolution making Columbus Day an optional holiday; Supervisor Emery seconded. All voted in favor; motion carried.

The Reorganization Meeting is a regularly scheduled meeting that is conducted at the April township meeting. At this meeting the compensation and fees are reviewed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Tom O’Hern commented that it’s really hard to hear the Supervisors talk when the furnace is on. Emery will call to see if we can do something about this issue.

Questions were asked about the improvements to the Town Hall. The plan is to prioritize insulation and siding. The siding will be steel and there is still discussion about the process for insulating. Emery would really like to have work done on the foundation, but that could be expensive and not be in the budget. Tom O’Hern commented that with all of the repairs/updates needed the money won’t go very far. The payback for windows might not be worth the money, so they might stay as is. Everyone agreed that the building is used so little, improving the efficiency of heating/cooling would be nice, but not worth spending a lot towards this goal. Diane would like to see the inside painted and possibly replace the vinyl flooring that is really worn. The plan is to have the work completed by this fall and hopefully review bids at the May meeting. Marie Beck asked about grants for historical buildings. Larry did reach out to the Historical Society and has not heard back.

Motion made by Supervisor Emery to move \$25,000 from the road and bridge account to the revenue account; Supervisor Larry seconded. All voted in favor; motion carried.

4. ADJOURN

Motion made by Supervisor Emery to adjourn the meeting; Supervisor Larry seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

Approved on 5/13/2024

Duwain Eglund, Chairman

Darla Frandrup, Clerk

Reorganization Meeting
April 1, 2024

1. Adopt a schedule of board's regular meetings and post –2nd Monday of the month at 6PM with the exception of the dates below.
 - a. It is optional to meet on October 14, 2024 - Columbus Day so a resolution was signed to allow the Board to meet on this day.
 - b. November 11, 2024 meeting will move to Nov 4th to observe Veterans Day
2. Designate an official newspaper - Kenyon Leader and Cannon Falls Beacon
3. Set compensation
4. Designate one or more posting places in township – Township Hall Board
5. Designate a bank as the township depository – Heritage Bank Dennison
6. Confirm the Town Financial Reporting Form has been completed and returned to the state auditor's office - Yes
7. Lawn Mowing – Bob Flom

Motion made by Supervisor Larry to accept the Reorganization minutes as stated above; Supervisor Duwain seconded. All in favor; motion carried.