



Fish Lake Township

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Town Board Meeting Minutes September 13, 2021

Board Members Present: Chair Bruce Fitzwater, Vice-Chair Corey Johnson, Supervisor Jim Thill, Treasurer Sharon McAndrew, Clerk Andrea Nekowitsch

Board Members Absent: None

Others Present: Gary Guse, Road Maintenance,

Call to Order and Approval of the Agenda: Chairman Fitzwater called the Regular Monthly Fish Lake Town Board meeting to order at 6:00 pm in the Town Hall at 2170 Brunswick Road, Harris, MN. The pledge of allegiance was recited by all. Motion made by Thill and seconded by Johnson to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes; motion passed.

Road Report: Gary Guse presented the road report. In the month of August, most of the time was spent on mowing ditches and grading.

The Board and Gary discussed identifying test roads for gravel and chloride scheduling to extend the life of gravel.

Treasurers Report: The Board reviewed the treasurer's report.

Bank Balances as of: August 31, 2021

Checking	\$1243.65	Broadband Debt. Service	\$56,356.76
Savings (Camb. State)	\$479,941.79	Anchor Ave. Debt Service	\$42,409.36

Motion made by Thill and seconded by Johnson to accept the Treasurer's Report, approve payment of check #13800 to #13819, for the amount of \$86,016.75, authorize up to \$4000.00 in operating disbursements for the upcoming month, approve the claims list as presented and transfer \$91,000 from Savings to Checking and the transfer of \$750.00 from Broadband to Checking. All ayes; motion passed

Minutes: *Motion made by Fitzwater and seconded by Johnson approve the minutes of the previous month's meeting. All ayes; motion passed.*

Appointments:

1. Josh McDuffie – Annual Insurance Review of Township Property and Equipment. The Board reviewed the township's current insurance coverage and made necessary changes and updates.
2. Michael & Amy Barrera – 1410 Brunswick Road – Construct garage closer than allowable setback. The Board reviewed the presentation packet and discussed the project with the Barerra's and approved the variance. *Motion made by Fitzwater and seconded by Thill to approve the Barerra's variance to build a garage closer to the required setback. All ayes; motion passed.*

Clerk Report:

An invoice for \$1168.53 was received from ECE for damage to an electrical box while mowing ditches. It is the Township's position that ECE did not mark or clearly identify their property and will not pay the invoice. Gary Guse and Chair Fitzwater met with a representative at the site of the incident directly after contact was made and also stated that

the Township was not at fault since ECE did not clearly mark their property.

Board Member Reports:

None

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

Citizen Comment:

Cindy and Doug Carlson were present along with Mike Hazeltine to discuss their property access(s) on Blackhawk Road.

Motion made by Fitzwater and seconded by Thill to adjourn at 8:03 p.m. All ayes; motion passed.

Bruce Fitzwater, Chair

Date

Andrea Nekowitsch, Clerk

Date

Approved