

- Meeting called to order by Chairman Tom Johnson at 7:05 p.m. Tom introduced the following officers present: Tom Johnson/Chairman, Scott Loustari/Supervisor, Steve Castleberry/Supervisor, Tracy Ruppe/Clerk, Denise Rajala/Treasurer, Nova Nordrum/Fire Chief.
- Minutes of the last annual meeting April 14, 2011. Motion to accept the minutes as presented. Motion Steve Castleberry, Second Kathy Johnson, Motion carried.
- Treasurer 痴 report for the year 2011. As referred to in the 2011 Annual Report. The balance on hand as of January 1, 2011 was \$221,547.80. Total revenues were \$736,003.21. Total expenditures were 869,496.47. This left a December 31, 2011 balance of 88,054.54. Motion to accept treasurer 痴 report as presented. Motion Earl Granroth, Second Renee Priem, Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Fire Department/First Responder Nova Nordrum reported there were eight medical calls, two fires, one suspected gas leak, and three car accidents in our township. We also responded to five mutual aid fires, three car accidents and three medical calls in surrounding townships. The cadet program is successful. We currently have two cadets and one recently moved into full member status. We assisted with the Fire Safety Program at the school. The Be Somebody campaign is scheduled for May 18, 2012 in Brule. We were recently awarded a FEMA Grant to replace our Tanker/Tender. We are still in the selection process and an announcement will be made as soon as regret letters are sent out.
- Fire Department Auxiliary The auxiliary is looking to restructure. The golf tournament will be May 19, 2012 at Norwood.
- Comprehensive Plan Committee Post cards were sent out to recruit new members. Tom stated we are about half way through the Comprehensive Plan and it needs to be completed. Discussion on the plan. Copies of the land use portion will be made.
- Sleepy Valley Loop Bridge Committee The application for the bridge has been approved. We will be looking for applications for the design of the bridge. Two proposals should be received one with preserving the historic aspects of the bridge and the other without. The bridge was not registered as a national or state historic site. Replacing the bridge will be less expensive than reconstructing or removing the bridge as 90% will be funded by the State and County.
- Election Report Lila Ronn and Maxine Magerl are the chief inspectors, Earl Granroth, Katie Castleberry and Nova Nordrum are the election inspectors. We are anticipating five elections this year. The recall election will be in June with a possible primary recall in May. The September election has been moved to August and the general election is in November.
- Town Employees Jamie and Mark were introduced.



OLD BUSINESS

- Collection site The map was received from Cornerstone and the driveway has been approved the the DOT. The cost of moving the site was discussed. The Town employees will do the work, possibly rent a cat, gravel with a estimated cost of \$3,000 and ground work will be required.
- Equipment The town recently purchased a brusher for \$15,000 from the Town of Superior. The 550 has had major repair costs. We are looking for a tandem dump truck and recently made an offer on one, but lost out. Looking at a new truck with an estimated cost of \$142,900

with five annual payments of \$30,891. This would need to be budgeted for with a levy increase. We had two years left on the grader payment of approximately \$25,000. Discussion on new versus used. Motion to explore the option to purchase a truck within budget. Motion Paul Colby, Second Rob Dahlberg. 32 aye, 0 nay, 3 abstain, motion carried.

- Building Electrical problems for the town hall have been budgeted. Lights may need to be replaced.
- Routh Memorial Park Estimate received for approximately \$11,000. The sides for the dugouts need to be replaced and gutters need to be installed on the building. Discussion on possible funding for the park.
- Uniform Dwelling Code Required for new dwellings.

NEW BUSINESS

- Alternates for Board of Review Alternates for Board of Review will be Joel Pearson and Dick Ronn. Thank you to both for volunteering. The board will follow-up with an ordinance at the next board meeting. September 11, 2012 will be the board of review.
- Replacement of dump truck already discussed.
- Driveway Permit This was updated last year at the annual meeting.
- Driveway Permit Fee No fee will be charged.
- Chemical Free Graduation Party Motion to donate \$200 to the high school chemical free graduation party as in the past. Motion Steve Castleberry, Second Nova Nordrum. Motion carried unanimously
- Cemetery Committee Discussion on what the tasks of this committee would be. This committee would take care of issues relating to the cemetery and make recommendations for fees.
- Motion to set the next annual meeting for April 16, 2013 at 7:00 pm at the town hall. Motion Kathy Johnson, Second Rob Dahlberg, motion carried unanimously
- Motion to adjourn. Motion-Scott Loustari, Second Steve Castleberry, Motion carried
- The Annual Meeting was adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Next annual meeting is set for April 16, 2013 at 7:00 pm at the town hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Tracy Ruppe, Clerk

cc: Tom, Scott, Dennis, Book, Connection, Web, FD, Files