

Dovre Township Meeting
Oct. 1, 2024
Minutes

Call to order: Vice Chair Bruce Peterson called the meeting to order at 6 PM.

Present: Bruce Peterson, Keith Quale, Glenn Arfstrom, Marie Ostby, Pat Jacobs, Teren Novotny

Guests: Howard Werner, Jim Larson

Approval of Minutes: Supervisor Ostby moved to approve, Supervisor Quale seconded and motion carried.

Fire Report: Spicer Fire Board meeting Oct. 10 and Oct. 28.

Old Business:

- Long Lake Road Improvement Project
Feasibility Study—Not completed yet. Board will review in November and public hearing to be scheduled in Dec. Supervisor Ostby will check on room availability and availability of engineer and attorney
- Update on shoulder/ditch repair for Wersal--pending
- 15th St. NE Bridge—Jim Larson prepared a memorandum summarizing repair process for the bridge. The recommendation is to postpone a final decision until spring 2025 pending the October 2024 bridge inspection.
- 11th St. NLS buses don't want to go on a section which is a washboard. The area was bladed but is still bad as there has not been rain. Supervisor Quale talked with the bus driver. Supervisor Quale will check with Jamie Boonstra on having gravel brought in and then have the area bladed and sprayed with chloride. We can also see if we can rent a truck to spray the area. Supervisor Peterson moved to approve the work at a cost of up to \$5000, Supervisor Ostby seconded and motion carried.

Kandiyohi County Township Association Fall Meeting Report: All About Roads, September 11 6:00 American Legion—Keith, Glen and Bruce attended. Information was given on zoning and roads.

Treasurers Report: The treasurer presented financials through August. Supervisor Quale moved to approve, Supervisor Ostby seconded and motion carried.

Approval of Orders Supervisor Quale moved to approve the orders, Supervisor Peterson seconded and motion carried.

New Business:

- Dovre is receiving 588.85 from the VOTER account (Can be used for election judge costs)
- Supervisor Ostby stated that MnDot notified us that there is \$10,000 remaining in the account for 40th Ave. to be spent by the end of Dec. 2024. Supervisor Ostby will notify MnDot that it will be spent.
- 23/71—there is a comment period open now for repair of the northbound lane. The township needs to be proactive as this may result in closing access points and increase truck traffic on township roads. Supervisors Ostby and Peterson will meet with MNDOT.
- Supervisor Ostby suggested a newsletter to be handed out at the election informing residents of township activities. She will draft a letter.

Supervisor reports of activity

- Arfstrom—no report
- Quale—resident in Long Acres was burying things—Gary Geer handled
- Peterson—has been getting questions on Long Lake road

Information:

- Centerpoint Energy Notice of application for rate increase. Hearings in person and virtual. Increase requested is 6.5%
- Couri & Ruppe notice of hourly rate increase to 275 per hour for general legal work, \$300 per hour for development work

Next Meeting: November 4, 2024

Supervisor Quale moved to adjourn, Supervisor Ostby seconded and motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:27.

Bruce Peterson, Vice Chair

Pat Jacobs, Clerk