

**Dovre Township Meeting**  
**Dec. 2, 2024**  
**Minutes**

**Call to order:** Chair, Sherry Jean Larson called the meeting to order at 6 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Present:** Sherry Jean Larson, Keith Quale, Marie Ostby, Glenn Arfstrom, Bruce Peterson, Pat Jacobs, Teren Novotny

**Guests:** Howard Werner, Kent Bauman, Jordan Albrecht, Joel Johnson

**Approval of Minutes** Nov. 4 and Nov. 7 minutes, Board of Canvas minutes: Supervisor Ostby moved to approve the minutes as amended, Supervisor Quale seconded and motion carried. Supervisor moved to approve minutes from the Board of Canvas, Supervisor Quale seconded and motion carried.

**Fire Report:** Fire Contract with City of Willmar for 2025, \$54273.30

Supervisor Ostby moved to approve the contract, Supervisor Peterson seconded and motion carried.

Pennock Fire Department Joint Powers Meeting: 12/14/24

Joel Johnson attended our township meeting. There will be discussion of a raise for the department. There will also be discussion of paying Joel from the Joint Powers Board for

**New Business:**

- Guest: Kent Bauman, Kandiyohi County Sheriffs Office: The election went well with very few issues in Kandiyohi County. He provided information on incidents in Kandiyohi County. They have had an increase in mental health calls and are partnering with Woodland Centers. There have been some incidents with mailboxes being broken into as well.
- Joel Johnson: He is our representative for the Kandiyohi County Township Association. The Association Board has had meetings regarding communication issues between the townships and the county. The Board met with the County Administrator who will present some suggestions to the County Board. They will also be invited to the County Association Annual Meeting in March. The County Association is asking that the Comprehensive Land Use plan should be updated.
- Orsten—lot line adjustment applications: Supervisor Ostby moved to accept the lot line changes pending approval by Cindy, Planning and Zoning officer for the township. Supervisor Peterson seconded and motion carried.

- Resolution 2024-008 Establishing a Policy for the Compensation and Reimbursement of Town Officers. Supervisor Quale moved to approve the resolution, Supervisor Peterson seconded and motion carried.

**Treasurers Report:** Teren presented the balance sheet and profit and loss statement through October, 2024. Supervisor Peterson moved to approve the statements, Supervisor Quale seconded and motion carried.

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

**Old Business:** Skataas Lake Fish Barrier has been installed. The Township paid \$1000 as agreed.

### **Supervisor reports of activity**

Ostby: Conversation with B. Krause regarding a platting request. An application needs to be submitted.

Arfstrom: This is his final meeting as a town board member. He has gotten some questions about the hearing.

The Board thanked Mr. Arfstrom for his service on the board.

Peterson: Same Nelson is looking for approval for an access but he has not submitted his application and fee. Supervisor Peterson moved to approve access upon receipt of the application and the fee. Supervisor Arfstrom seconded and motion carried.

Quale: He has had questions about water on a property in Horizon Hills.

Larson: no calls

**Permission to Dispose:** 3 copies of 2024 Election Judge Guide, 10 misc. envelopes, Board of Canvass posted notice from 11/7/24, notice of General Election. Supervisor Larson moved to approve disposal, Supervisor Arfstrom seconded and motion carried.

### **Next Meeting:**

12/5/24 Long Lake Road hearing 6-8 PM at Health and Human Services Building

1/6/25 Board of Organization Meeting 5:45 PM

1/6/25 January Town Board Meeting

Supervisor Ostby moved to recess this meeting until after the Long Lake Road hearing, 8 PM, Dec. 5. The Board will need to approve a resolution ordering the improvement and preparation of final specifications. Supervisor Quale seconded and motion carried.

12/5/24 Continued meeting reconvened at 7:51 PM

Present: Sherry Jean Larson, Keith Quale, Bruce Peterson, Marie Ostby, Pat Jacobs

Andrew Vistad stated that the indirect roads should be started in 2027. He recommends that the feasibility study be delayed. Supervisor Larson—is there anyway the indirect roads could be done along with Long Lake road. Vistad—Hawkinson Anderson does not have capability to do both in 2025. It may be possible to do the design and feasibility and be ready to go in 2026 when the second lift is applied to Long Lake road. Inflation may also impact this decision. Andrew will go ahead with a feasibility report for the ancillary roads.

Bob Ruppe recommends that the Board visit with Todd Hagen at Ehlers Associates who is expert in financing and bonds. He can provide information on how to finance.

Supervisor Peterson moved to adopt Resolution 2024-009 Ordering Improvements for Long Lake Road. Supervisor Quale seconded and motion carried.

Supervisor Ostby moved to adopt a Resolution of Intent to Reimburse 2024-010. Supervisor Peterson seconded and motion carried.

Supervisor Ostby moved to adjourn. Supervisor Peterson seconded and motion carried. The meeting adjourned 8:14 PM.

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Sherry Jean Larson, Chairperson

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Pat Jacobs, Clerk