

EDNA TOWNSHIP MEETING **July 16, 2019** www.ednatownship.org

The meeting was called to order and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dennis Sazama, Carol Nelson, Gary Schattschneider, Echo Dockter and Karen Marthaler were present.

The agenda was reviewed, Sazama made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of signs for Bill's Beach and meeting time discussion. Nelson 2nd the motion and it passed unanimously.

The Clerk's report was reviewed. Sazama made a motion to accept the report as presented. Nelson 2nd the motion and it passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report showed receipts of \$ 223,021.40, disbursements of \$14,025.85, and working capital of \$429,120.12. Nelson made a motion to accept the report as presented. Schattschneider 2nd the motion and it passed unanimously.

There were no bounties.

The claims for payment were reviewed. The claim from Lot Pros is not complete. It will be reviewed. It seems that one of the roads that was crack sealed was omitted from the claim. Sazama made a motion to pay the claims as presented, with the understanding that there will be another claim from Lot Pros in August. Nelson 2nd the motion and it passed unanimously.

Road Report

Jeff Stabnow reported that the punch list to finish the North and East Little McDonald projects has not been completed. Driveway Services has been there, but did not complete and Mark's Sand and Gravel has been at the project, but the work is not complete. Gary's communication with the MAT attorney indicated that the township should not be involved with the insurance claim between Mark's Sand and Gravel and Sonnenberg Excavating. Even so, Stabnow reported that Mark's Sand and Gravel had agreed to pay the difference between the insurance payment and the cost of the equipment.

The beavers have not been removed from Engstrom Beach. The trapper was called. If it takes much longer the work on the road, as authorized at the June meeting, will be done, even with the beaver presence.

There was a lot of discussion regarding the 911 signs on Engstrom Beach. The road is narrow, the right-of-ways are not clear and snow plowing and removal is a problem even in years with a light snowfall. The county has given different instructions at different times about where the 911 signs should be placed. Gary will try one more time to get some guidance from the County. One of the comments is that these signs were not placed by the township. They were placed by the Otter Tail County. This also ties into the snow removal policy, which is being reviewed. The bill from the county for the 911 sign at 4XXXX is not due until January of 2020. This will be reviewed as the snow removal policy is reviewed. Bill's Beach needs a Dead End sign. People are driving past the logical turn around point, believing they are heading for a public access. It was determined that a sign would be very helpful. This also led to the discussion of several double arrow signs that need to be replaced. The reflectivity is almost gone, if the signs are even still standing properly. Sazama made a motion to order a Private Drive sign and double arrow signs and posts. Nelson 2nd the motion and it passed unanimously. The number of double arrow signs will be determined by the inventory from the Spring Road tour. Nelson also mentioned that the intersection of 385th and 460th is blocked by brush. Torey will inspect this and also talk to the landowner if needed before clearing this area. Sazama made a motion to authorize this brushing work. Schattschneider 2nd it and it passed unanimously.

Correspondence included an email from a real estate agent working with Bob Walde to sell some of his back lots. She did have his permission to discuss this with the township. Mr. Walde had a letter stating that there would be a special assessment on the back lots when they were sold. The letter was dated January 2005. Echo and Karen did some research and found that this dated back to 2001. The assessment hearing was done then, the work was done later. There were 2 letters from the clerk sent out. The second letter stated that any farmland or backlots that were not assessed at the time (2004) would be assessed if the land sold in the next 20 years. There is no list of which land/lots this would include.

Nothing was recorded at the County on these lots. The conclusion reached is that it would cost more in legal fees than the assessment collected, if it was even possible. Schattschneider made a motion for Edna Township to not pursue the

collection of any possible assessment on the sale of Walde's backlots for the work done on McDonald Shores asphalt in 2003-2004. Nelson 2nd the motion and it passed unanimously.

Noted that the MN Association of Townships District Meeting for District 9 is Monday, August 12 in Rothsay.

Unfinished business includes:

Working on the snowplow policy. Nelson is working on this. Torey will provide a map showing the snow plow routes for his 2 plows. This is in regard to listing priority roads. The list from the current policy would not be very efficient. This is an ongoing project.

Road bumps – for 2021 budget. This is also an ongoing project.

Traffic control – continuing review

Mailbox support compliance – Gary will get some help writing the notice of noncompliance to the mailbox policy. The policy is that the Township must notify the mailbox owner of their non-compliant mailbox and give them 60 days to fix the problem. At this time the mailboxes that are a top priority are the ones that would be considered dangerous. The point of this is to provide a safe traveling environment for all citizens.

Traffic sign inventory – ongoing.

Road maintenance records and proposed schedule for continuing maintenance – ongoing.

After some discussion, Nelson made a motion to change the monthly meeting time to 7 p.m. instead of 8 p.m. Sazama 2nd the motion and it passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:29 p.m.

July 16, 2019

DANIEL NORRICK

Doug A. King

Jeff Stabnow

Walt Zalusky

Ray Sorenberg

Date Range : 7/1/2019 To 7/16/2019

Date	Vendor	Description	Claim #	Total	Account #	Account Name	Detail
07/12/2019	Sonnenberg Excavating	Grading on 6-6,11,12,17,26,27	3127	\$3,870.00	201-43101-224-402	Highways, Streets & Roadways	\$3,870.00
07/12/2019	Sonnenberg Excavating	Engstrom Beach Road - beaver damage	3128	\$325.00	201-43101-224-403	Highways, Streets & Roadways	\$325.00
07/12/2019	Lot Pro LLC	Crack Fill-FawnOak Tr&Rd,Beaver Dam, Engstrom Bch RD&LN,Bills Bch RD&LN,Big Mc LN,N Little	3129*	\$48,800.00	201-43101-224-402	Highways, Streets & Roadways	\$48,800.00

Total For Selected Claims \$52,995.00

Carol Nelson
 Carol Nelson Town Supervisor Date 7-16-2019

Dennis Sazama
 Dennis Sazama Chair, Town Supervisor Date 7-16-2019

Gary Schattschneider
 Gary Schattschneider Town Supervisor Date 7-16-2019

**Little MacDonald Area 2018 Paving Project
Edna Township
Mark Sand & Gravel**

THIS CONTRACT agreement (“Contract”) is made and entered into between Edna Township (“Town”), a public government unit, whose contact address is Edna Township, Echo Dockter, Clerk, P.O. Box 114, Dent MN 56528 and Mark Sand & Gravel to perform work on the Little MacDonald Area 2018 Paving (“Project”).

1. East LMD – South end Pumphouse driveway – North Radius drainage, landscape
2. East LMD – Northeast equip storage area Red barn - Mike Hamann 218 234 6281
3. North LMD – 37826 Driveway – Driveway Services – positive drainage, landscape
4. North LMD – 37644 - 3 lots east of DNR Access – Aggregate driveway taper
5. North LMD – 37484 – Centerline seam repair
6. Various location – shoulder washouts, ridge on edge; example opposite DNR Access

Jeff Stabnow, Edna Township Engineer, 218 770 1276