

**EDNA TOWNSHIP MEETING December 21 ,2021 www.ednatownship.org**

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm and began with the Pledge of Allegiance, Dennis Sazama, Gary Schattschneider, Ben Bucholz, Echo Dockter and Karen Marthaler were present.

The agenda was reviewed and a few items were added. Sazama made a motion to accept the amended agenda. Schattschneider 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed unanimously.

The minutes from the November meeting were reviewed. There was a correction for the road number for the "Loose Gravel" signs. Bucholz made a motion to accept the November minutes with the correction. Sazama 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report showed receipts of \$16,378.38, disbursements of \$4,048.22 and working capital of \$846,557.63. Sazama made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Schattschneider 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed unanimously.

There were no bounties.

The claims for payment were reviewed. The clerk noted that there would be a refund coming for 2 mailbox supports that were replaced that were not necessary. Sazama made a motion to pay the claims as presented. Bucholz 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed unanimously.

Halvorson's access approach permit was received. No deposit is required. Sazama approved the permit, although work on the approach will not start until Spring.

Devil's Lake Road residents are having problems with the snow plowing. Sonnenberg was present and explained some of the issues the snowplow drivers have with Devil's Lake Road. These include only being able to plow from the south the north because of the hill on the south end. It is not possible to push snow up the hill. This road is narrow. It does not have the normal 22-24 ft road surface. One side of the road is swamp – classified as wetlands. Snow could be pushed that way, except that is to the west and when the wind blows from the west the road gets socked in. This leaves very little room to put the snow. It was agreed that Sonnenberg would speak to the usual driver for that area and they will do the best they can to keep from tearing up the sod. It should also be noted that there are no ditches on the lake side of the road. The lots are shallow and sloped downward to the road, compounding the snow plowing problems.

The request for reimbursement for the costs to maintain Fort Thunder Road last summer were compiled by the clerk. The Board reviewed the report, agreed that the costs to rebuild the road next Spring would be the same as the amount paid for gravel in the Spring of 2021 and requested the clerk to write up a report detailing the costs and send it to the county highway department as soon as the report was reviewed by Schattschneider.

Stabnow had very little to report. Road work is done for this year. Bucholz requested an updated report for January to show how much work was needed this Spring to finish the CH131 project, specifically how much more money was needed.

Weed control is done for this year. It was noted and listed on the sub-contractor list that the ditch near Dave Taylor's property will need to be sprayed every year, until the weeds are sprayed on his property. The weeds in his field are his problem, the weeds in the ditch are a township problem.

The priority report for Sub-Contractors was reviewed. The "Loose Gravel" signs are here. The Board agreed that these signs should be on stands instead of pounded in to the ground. The clerk will order stands for the signs and also for the 2 Road Closed signs in the storage unit. The tree on E Big McDonald that was hanging into the road has been removed. The wood is piled in the ditch and will be removed in the Spring. The Board agreed that Sonnenberg may remove tree limbs that hang over the road that hit the snow removal equipment. These limbs would also be a hazard for fire trucks and possibly ambulances.

The draft copies of the town line road agreements were reviewed. Sonnenberg provided information regarding the instructions he was given when he started working for the township. The clerk was instructed to prepare the agreements and send them to Hobart, Dora and Dead Lake townships for the respective Boards to review.

SouthView Lane belongs to Rush Lake township. Edna has been maintaining this road for a long time with no compensation. Negotiations will begin.

Schattschneider made a motion to allow consulting an attorney regarding vacating minimum maintenance roads. Sazama 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The clerk and Schattschneider will meet with the attorney.

Noted that the filing period for township elections in March opens on December 28<sup>th</sup> and closes on January 11 at 5 pm. Bucholz' position is open. He has been filling the position that was opened when Carol Nelson resigned. This will now be a 3 year term as supervisor. The clerk position is also open.

Marthaler requested that the Annual Audit be done in January as she will not be at the February meeting. This also means the proposed budget for 2023 will be set at the January meeting. The Board was also reminded that a report needs to be filed before April regarding the proposed use of the ARPA funds.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:09 pm.

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December 21, 2001

Wade Dorker

Jon Anderson

Jeff Stabnow

Torey Sonnenberg

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**Edna Township**

**Claims List for Approval**


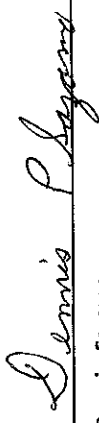

**12/16/2021**

**Date Range :** 11/16/2021 To 12/16/2021

<u>Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Claim #</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Account #</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Detail</u>
12/15/2021	Dora Township	1/2 cost of work to stop beaver damage on Engstrom Beach Rd, town line road	3327	\$1,133.75	201-43121-224-402	Paved Streets	\$1,133.75
12/15/2021	Sonnenberg Excavating	Grading 10/5,6,28,11/3,4	3328	\$4,675.00	201-43122-224-402	Unpaved Streets	\$4,675.00
12/15/2021	M-R Sign Co., Inc	Loose gravel signs	3329	\$121.39	201-43121-224-410	Paved Streets	\$121.39
12/15/2021	PERA	4th quarter, employee and employer portions	3330	\$630.00	100-41110-103- 100-41110-120-	Council/Town Board Council/Town Board	\$315.00 \$315.00
12/15/2021	United States Treasury	Form 944 Payment - medicare taxes for employer and employees for the year and withholding	3331*	\$1,924.30	100-41110-100-	Council/Town Board	\$1,924.30
12/15/2021	Minnesota Department of Revenue	Withholding for the year=583.60	3332	\$583.60	100-41110-103-	Council/Town Board	\$583.60
12/15/2021	Mark Sand & Gravel Co	N Little Mc - invoice #2, mailbox support replacements	3333	\$2,760.00	201-43101-224-403	Highways, Streets & Roadways	\$2,760.00
<b>Total For Selected Claims</b>							<b>\$11,828.04</b>

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						12-21-2021
	Benjamin D. Bucholz	Town Supervisor				Date
						12/21/2021
	Dennis Sazama	Chair, Town Supervisor				Date
						12/21/2021
	Gary Schattschneider	Town Supervisor				Date