

**ROOSEVELT TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
May 8th, 2023**

1. The meeting was called to Order at 7:00 pm by Chairman, Ann Stafford.
All officers are present.

Ann led the Flag Pledge.

2. Motion by Ann to approve the agenda as written; 2nd by Rick, all in favor, motion carried.
3. Motion by Ann, to approve the April 10th, 2023, Board Minutes motion was 2nd by Sonya, all approved, motion carried.
4. Ann moved to accept the April Treasurer's report as read; 2nd by Rick, all approved, motion carried.
5. Rick makes a motion to approve claims as listed; 2nd by Ann, all in favor, motion carried.
6. Road & Equipment Report:
 - **Equipment:** Jay is coming to work on the case tractor.
 - **Roads:** Holding up good.
 - **Tree Trimming:** Bill Smude about his chipper he wants \$335/day, Ed is thinking maybe he is thinking an hourly rate would be better because we wouldn't be running it all day. We should get a price from Fletcher. We will need a crew. Ann is asking if we should put out a bid. Rick says we must get that brush out of there. Forest Ridge is the worst; we may start by working that one. We should check with Fletcher since he has a crew to help with work. We will need Garrisons input for Camp Lake Road. We need an estimate from Fletcher and then it will need to be approved later. We should put together an ad to get bids. Rick makes a motion that we post an ad for brushing the Forest Ridge Road; 2nd by Ann, all in favor, motion carried.
 - **Help Wanted:** We need to get Ed a helper. Must have a Class B license. Grader Experience. Breanna will work with Ed to get an ad out.
7. **Insurance MAITI review:** Looking over the replacement costs that are listed. To replace the garage it would be well over \$100,000. We should have the insurance agent come out here to look this over with us. Bonnie mentioned that we should be doing inventory of all our things at the Townhall and in the garage. Breanna will call the insurance agent.
8. **Pine Center Sportsman's Club** would like to donate their time or money to the Township/Community. Ideas, deep clean the Townhall, Fix Toilet, or other issues. Cleanup day for the ditches... ext. We think a monetary donation would be best. Rick is still trying to get over to the town hall to work on the toilet. Also, Rick would like to try and switch to LED lights in the building.
9. **Historical Books** – Breanna would like to take a historical book home with her and take photos of the book and place it all on a PDF Rick makes a motion that Breanna takes one of the Historical Books and keep track of her time; 2nd by Sonya, all in favor, motion carried.

10. Open Forum:

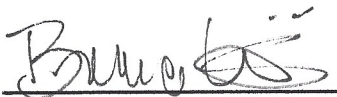
- **Kristy Drake said there were dryers and washers dumped on Oxcart, and then later described it being on her driveway that is on state land. We suggest that she calls the State. Sonya was talking with someone about a blight law, we don't have any we don't do planning or zoning.**
- **Sonya is on Platte Lake Road; they are talking about getting signs for the Platte Lake association. Rick says the state of MN does not allow that. Jim says that it would be okay on private property, but not on the road right of way.**
- **Rick would like to discuss tractors. We cannot find any of these used in good quality. You cannot just go out and get a bank loan for anything. Depending on the value you would have to get bids. Needs to have a cab with heat & air. We got bids on Brand New John Deer's, a 60hp is \$48,125 and a 75hp is \$52,488. There is a 5-year warranty. These are the ones that the dealership has right now, once they are gone, they are gone. If we want one of these, they can put our name on it and hold it for us until we get financing figured out. Certificate of indebtedness is what we would need if we do not pay cash. The best way is to just pay cash. Bonnie says this year we have less levy, no election, and no gravel crushing. It will depend on how much brushing the road will cost. We would not jeopardize anything if we spent \$20,000 for a tractor and \$20,000 for brushing. Rick says we do have reserve in the bank, for times like these. We can look at other dealers. Rick thinks we should look all around since we are buying new, and we can decide next month. We do run the risk of these tractors being gone, but since we are looking at new ones, we can look at all the options out there. Ed will look around. It must be approved on the state program. Region 5 joint purchases.**

Other Information:

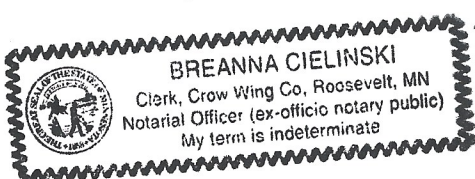
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At 8:27 pm, Ann moved to adjourn, 2nd by Sonya, all in favor, motion passed.

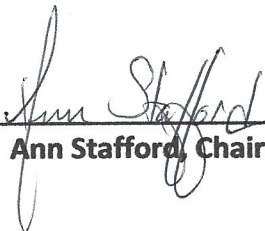
Meeting adjourned.



**Breanna Cielinski
Roosevelt Township Clerk**



Approved



Ann Stafford, Chairman