

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP
Regular Meeting Minutes – August 14, 2024
Location: Liberty Town Hall, Bemidji, MN

Call to Order- Meeting was called to order by Sup. Oestreich. He led Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 pm. Roll Call

Attendance:

Supervisors: Karl Oestreich via Zoom, John Gilbertson, Steven Reznicek

Clerk: Colleen Oestreich via Zoom, Deputy Clerk Kristi Larson

Treasurer: Peggy Curtis

Others: Travis Kelm, Willard Kelm, Jason Stubbe, Jay Stubbe

Clerk's Report – July 10, 2024 Regular Business Meeting Minutes – Motion by Supervisor, Reznicek second by Supervisor, Oestreich to accept minutes. M/C

Treasurer's Report – Motion by Sup. Gilbertson, second by Sup. Reznicek to accept report as written and subject to future audit. M/C.

Primary Election – held on August 13, 2024. Liberty Township had 55 voters, 6 absentee and 3 new registrations. Approximately 10% of eligible voters voted.

Rural Fire Assn – draft by-law changes are out. Supervisor, Oestreich highlighted some changes including meeting attendance cost being passed on to townships; increasing number of meetings to 6 vs 4 per year; continue to pay for officers planning meetings. Final decisions on by-law changes will be made in October. Supervisor, Oestreich will seek consensus on Liberty Township's position on the proposed changes at the next meeting.

Roads – discussed maintenance work completed. Old Long Lake Road improvements are finished. Other gravel applications and culvert installations are finished with the possible exception of Long View Court. Supervisor, Gilbertson will follow-up.

Clerk, Oestreich will prepare a draft invoice for the culvert installation on Mary Kay.

Contractor, Travis Kelm asked if Liberty Township is responsible for mowing along paved section of Deer Lake? Board decided earlier that township is not responsible for maintenance on that section of road including mowing.

Board discussed high stumps in road right of way on Coyote Road. Landowner, Jay Stubbe was present and will address.

Approve and Pay Bills – Motion by Sup. Reznicek, second by Sup. Oestreich to pay claims 5256-5266 totaling \$44,364.38. M/C

MAT District 12 Meeting – is scheduled for August 27th in Waubun, MN. Supervisor, Reznicek and Treasurer, Curtis plan on attending.

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Adjourn – Motion by Sup. Gilbertson, second by Sup. Reznicek to adjourn at 7:15 PM. M/C

Colleen Oestreich, Clerk

Karl Oestreich, Chairman